

TEXAS BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS
333 Guadalupe, Wm. P. Hobby Bldg. Room 225
Austin, Texas 78701

June 15, 2006

MINUTES

The Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners met for a regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2006, 2006 in Room, #2-225 of the William P. Hobby, Jr. Building, 333 Guadalupe, Austin, Travis County, Texas. Dr. Robert Lastovica, President, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. The following members were present:

DR. ROBERT LASTOVICA, President	of Fredericksburg, Texas
DR. GUY W. JOHNSEN, Vice President	of El Paso, Texas
DR. BUD E. ALLDREDGE, JR., Secretary	of Sweetwater, Texas
DR. PAT ALLEN, Member	of Lubbock, Texas
DR. JANIE CARPENTER Member	of Garland, Texas
MS. CYNTHIA DIAZ, Member	of San Antonio, Texas
DR. DAVID W. HEFLIN, Member	of Mission, Texas
MR. PAUL MARTINEZ, Member	of Sonora, Texas
MS. DAWN REVELEY, Member	of Blanco, Texas

Members of the staff attending included: RON ALLEN, Executive Director; JULIE BARKER, Executive Assistant; PETER HARTLINE, Director of Enforcement; INA FRANZ, Director of Licensing; and LEE MATHEWS, General Counsel.

4998 Approval of Agenda. Upon motion by Dr. Lastovica, second, and an affirmative vote, the agenda was approved.

4999 Approval of Minutes. Upon motion by Mr. Martinez, second, and an affirmative vote, the minutes of the February 16, 2006 meeting of the Board were approved with one change and signed.

5000 Citizen Comments. Dr. Lastovica called for citizen comments. Ellis Gilliland addressed the Board.

5001 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-03, TSBVME v. Clarence Brown, D.V.M. Drs. Johnsen and Alldredge were recused from voting. Dr. Brown was not present. Dr. Brown allegedly violated Rule 573.52, PATIENT RECORD KEEPING, by failing to maintain complete, accurate patient records; Rule 573.22, PROFESSIONAL STANDARD OF HUMANE TREATMENT, by failing to properly diagnose and treat a patient; and Rule 573.74, DUTY TO COOPERATE WITH BOARD, by failing to timely submit a narrative account of the events surrounding his treatment of the animal, as requested by the Board. Disciplinary Action: Formal Reprimand, Administrative Penalty of One Thousand dollars (\$1,000), and take and pass the Board's Jurisprudence Exam. Upon motion by Mr. Martinez, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5002 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-05, TSBVME v. Joe Urso, D.V.M. Mr. Martinez and Drs. Johnsen, Allen and Alldredge were recused from voting. Dr.

Urso was not present. Dr. Urso allegedly violated Rule 573.43, MISUSE OF DEA NARCOTICS REGISTRATION, by failing to possess a controlled substance registration from the Texas Department of Public Safety. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Two Thousand, Five Hundred dollars (\$2,500). Upon motion by Ms. Reveley, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5003 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-19, TSBVME v. Paul Burnside, D.V.M. Drs. Allen, Alldredge, and Johnsen were recused from voting. Dr. Burnside was not present. Dr. Burnside allegedly violated Rule 573.22, PROFESSIONAL STANDARD OF HUMANE TREATMENT and Rule 573.26, HONESTY, INTEGRITY AND FAIR DEALING, by euthanizing an animal after the client had declined the procedure and by altering another patient's records to account for the Euthasol utilized. Disciplinary Action: Formal Reprimand. Upon motion by Ms. Diaz, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5004 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-20, TSBVME v. Jackie A. Valerius, D.V.M. Dr. Valerius was not present. Dr. Valerius allegedly violated Rule 573.11, RESPONSIBILITY FOR UNLICENSED AND LICENSED EMPLOYEES, by allowing employee John G. Montalbano to practice veterinary medicine without a license. Disciplinary Action: Formal Reprimand and Administrative Penalty of Five Thousand dollars (\$5,000). Dr. Valerius' license is Suspended for 24 months, with the Suspension Stayed and Dr. Valerius placed on probation for 22 months. Dr. Valerius may not practice veterinary medicine for the first 60 days after the date of the agreed order. Upon motion by Mr. Martinez, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5006 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-21, TSBVME v. James M. Baker, D.V.M. Dr. Baker was not present. Dr. Baker allegedly violated Rule 573.11, RESPONSIBILITY FOR UNLICENSED AND LICENSED EMPLOYEES, by allowing employee Angel Gonzales to practice veterinary medicine without a license. Disciplinary Action: Formal Reprimand and Administrative Penalty of Five Thousand dollars (\$5,000). Dr. Baker's license is Suspended for 24 months, with the Suspension Stayed and Dr. Baker placed on probation for 22 months. Dr. Baker may not practice veterinary medicine for the first 60 days after the date of the agreed order. Upon motion by Dr. Carpenter, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5007 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-23, TSBVME v. Jennifer Sorenson, D.V.M. Dr. Sorenson was not present. Dr. Sorenson allegedly violated Rule 573.64, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain all of the required continuing education hours for 2002. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250). Upon motion by Dr. Carpenter, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5008 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-27, TSBVME v. Semira Mancil, D.V.M. Dr. Mancil was not present. Dr. Mancil allegedly violated Rule 573.43, MISUSE OF DEA NARCOTICS REGISTRATION, by failing to maintain a valid DPS controlled substance registration. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). Upon motion by Ms. Diaz, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5009 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-30, TSBVME v. Christy Webb, D.V.M. Mr. Martinez, and Drs. Allen, Johnsen and Alldredge were recused from voting. Dr. Webb was not present. Dr. Webb allegedly violated Rule 573.22, PROFESSIONAL STANDARD OF HUMANE TREATMENT, by failing to euthanize an animal after being instructed by the client to do so; advising cage rest without stabilization for an animal with a fractured femur; and not providing follow-up on a dog's condition after release. Disciplinary Action: Formal Reprimand, take and pass the Board's Jurisprudence examination; and acquire six hours of continuing education in orthopedics by December 31, 2006. The six hours are in addition to the 17 required for license renewal. Upon motion by Ms. Reveley, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5010 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-31, TSBVME v. Kevin Dwyer, D.V.M. Dr. Dwyer was not present. Dr. Dwyer allegedly violated 573.64, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain all of the required continuing education hours for 2005, 2004 and 2003. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred dollars (\$500). Upon motion by Ms. Diaz, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5011 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-32, TSBVME v. Dennis Jenkins, D.V.M. Dr. Jenkins was not present. Dr. Jenkins allegedly violated Rule 573.64, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain all of the required continuing education hours for 2005. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred dollars (\$500). Upon motion by Dr. Allen, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5012 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-34, TSBVME v. Wayne Koski, D.V.M. Dr. Koski was not present. Dr. Koski allegedly violated 573.64, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain all of the required continuing education hours for 2003 and 2004. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred dollars (\$500). Upon motion by Dr. Heflin, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5013 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-35, TSBVME v. Wayne Koski, D.V.M. Dr. Koski was not present. Dr. Koski allegedly violated Rule 573.43, MISUSE OF DEA NARCOTICS REGISTRATION, by failing to maintain a valid DPS controlled substance registration since May 31, 2002. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Two Thousand dollars (\$2,000) and

take and pass the Board's Jurisprudence examination. Additionally, Dr. Koski is ordered to refrain from working in a clinic or facility where controlled substances are kept until he acquires a DPS certificate. Upon motion by Ms. Diaz, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5014 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-36, TSBVME v. Barney Stumbo, D.V.M. Dr. Stumbo was not present. Dr. Stumbo allegedly violated Rule 573.43, MISUSE OF DEA NARCOTICS REGISTRATION, by failing to ensure that a veterinarian utilizing his DEA registration maintained a DPS registration as required. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred dollars (\$500). Upon motion by Ms. Reveley, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5015 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-37, TSBVME v. Robert Gattis, D.V.M. Dr. Gattis was not present. Dr. Gattis allegedly violated Rule 573.64, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain any of the required continuing education hours for 2006. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred dollars (\$500) and acquire seventeen hours of CE by December 31, 2006 in addition to the 17 hours required for license renewal. Upon motion by Dr. Allen, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5016 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-38, TSBVME v. Robert Gattis, DVM. Dr. Gattis was not present. Dr. Gattis allegedly violated Rule 573.43, MISUSE OF DEA NARCOTICS REGISTRATION, by failing to maintain a valid DPS controlled substance registration from September 30, 2005 through March 6, 2006. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250). Upon motion by Mr. Martinez, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5017 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-39, TSBVME v. Thomas Scott, DVM. Dr. Scott was not present. Dr. Scott allegedly violated Rule 573.43, MISUSE OF DEA NARCOTICS REGISTRATION, by failing to maintain a valid DPS controlled substance registration. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). Upon motion by Dr. Heflin, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5018 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-40, TSBVME v. Joe Easter, DVM. Dr. Easter was not present. Dr. Easter allegedly violated Rule 573.43, MISUSE OF DEA NARCOTICS REGISTRATION, by failing to ensure that veterinarians utilizing his DEA certification to administer controlled substances held a DPS registration. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred (\$500). Upon motion by Dr. Allen, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5019 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-41, TSBVME v. Elizabeth Griffin, DVM. Dr. Griffin was not present. Dr. Griffin allegedly violated Rule 573.64, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain the required continuing education hours for calendar years 2005, 2004 and 2003. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred dollars (\$500) and acquire 17 hours of CE by December 31, 2006 in addition to the 17 required for license renewal. Upon motion by Ms. Diaz, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5020 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-42, TSBVME v. Robert Wilson, DVM. Dr. Wilson was not present. Dr. Wilson allegedly violated Rule 573.64, COUNTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain the required continuing education hours for calendar year 2005. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred dollars (\$500) and acquire 17 hours of CE by December 31, 2006, in addition to the 17 required for license renewal. Upon motion by Dr. Heflin, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5021 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-43, TSBVME v. Phillip Patin, DVM. Dr. Patin was not present. Dr. Patin allegedly violated Rule 573.64, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain all of the required continuing education hours for calendar year 2005. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred dollars (\$500) and acquire 15 hours of CE in calendar year 2006, in addition to the 17 required for license renewal. Upon motion by Dr. Heflin, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5022 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-44, TSBVME v. Charles Mohr, DVM. Dr. Mohr was not present. Dr. Mohr allegedly violated Rule 573.64, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain the required continuing education hours for calendar year 2005. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred dollars (\$500) and acquire 17 hours of continuing education in calendar year 2006, in addition to the 17 hours required for license renewal. Upon motion by Ms. Reveley, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5023 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-45, TSBVME v. Dale Schneider, DVM. Dr. Schneider was not present. Dr. Schneider allegedly violated Rule 573.64, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain the required continuing education hours for calendar years 2004 and 2005. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Seven Hundred Fifty dollars (\$750) and acquire 17 hours of CE by December 31, 2006, in addition to the 17 required for license renewal. Upon motion by Dr. Carpenter, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5024 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-46, TSBVME v. James Cox, DVM. Dr. Cox was not present. Dr. Cox allegedly violated Rule 573.64, CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS, by failing to obtain the required continuing education hours for calendar years 2003 and 2004. Disciplinary Action: Administrative Penalty of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500). Upon motion by Dr. Allen, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Agreed Order as presented.

5025 Agreed Order. The Board considered an Agreed Order in Docketed Case No. 2006-47, TSBVME v. Betsy W. Harrison. Dr. Harrison was not present. Drs. Allen, Johnsen, and Alldredge were recused from voting. Dr. Harrison signed a Voluntary Surrender of License dated February 17, 2006. Members were asked to approve an Order Pertaining to Revocation of License No. 5403. Upon motion by Ms. Reveley, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the Order as presented.

5026 Waiver. Valerie A. Fadok, DVM, requested that the Board waive the Clinical Competency Test (CCT) required to obtain a Texas license. Dr. Fadok graduated from Washington State University's College of Veterinary Medicine in 1978. The CCT was not available at that time. Dr. Fadok was present and spoke to the Board regarding her request. Upon motion by Dr. Johnsen, second and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the waiver with the following conditions: Dr. Fadok is required to take and pass the State Board Examination within one year of the approval of the waiver.

5027 Waiver. John C. Fling, DVM, requested that the Board waive the Clinical Competency Test (CCT) required to obtain a Texas license. Dr. Fling graduated from U.C. Davis in 1982. He took and passed the National Board Exam on 1981. The CCT was available but not required in California where Dr. Fling was licensed. Dr. Fling was present and spoke to the Board regarding his request. Upon motion by Dr. Johnsen, second and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the waiver with the following conditions: Dr. Fling is required to take and pass the State Board Examination within one year of the approval of the waiver.

5028 Waiver. Ronald van Noort, DVM, requested that the Board waive the Clinical Competency Test (CCT) and the National Board Examination required to obtain a Texas license. Dr. van Noort graduated from the University of Utrecht Veterinary Medicine in 1987. Because Dr. van Noort is from the Netherlands, he has not taken the NBE, NAVLE or CCT. Dr. van Noort was present and spoke to the Board regarding his request. Upon motion by Dr. Johnsen, second and an affirmative vote, the Board approved the waiver with a vote of 8 Ayes and 1 Nay with the following conditions: Dr. van Noort is required to take and pass the State Board Examination within one year of the approval of the waiver.

5029 Waiver. Ronald S. Hines, DVM requested that the board reinstate his retired license. Dr. Hines appeared before the board in 2002, requesting a waiver of the CCT. The waiver was granted, however, Dr. Hines did not take the SBE. Since that time, he has provided proof of completion of the CCT and the board has received information regarding disciplinary action taken by the Florida Board of Veterinary Medicine.

Dr. Johnsen suggested that the request be tabled until the next meeting where the Board is to be provided with a written report from Dr. Munden and further information from Florida to determine the effects of the Board's action on Florida's action.

5030 License Reinstatement. Patrina Diamond, DVM requested that the board reinstate her license. Dr. Diamond surrendered her license in July 2001 in lieu of disciplinary action. Upon motion by Dr. Carpenter, second and an affirmative vote, the Board directed staff to complete an investigation of Dr. Diamond and provide a report to the members at the October meeting.

5031 Adopted Rules. The following changes to Board rules were proposed at the June 15, 2006 Board meeting and were considered for adoption:

Amendments:

575.25. Recommended Schedule of Sanctions

No comments were received for 573.25.

575.27, Complaints

No comments were received for 575.27.

577.2, Meetings

No comments were received for 577.2

New:

575.31, Alternative Dispute Resolution

No comments were received for 575.31.

575.32, Negotiated Rule Making

No comments were received for 575.32

The above-entitled rules were posted in the *Texas Register* on March 10, 2006. Upon motion by Dr. Johnsen, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board adopted the amendments as indicated.

5032 Proposed Rules. The Board considered the following proposed amendments to Board rules:

573.52, Patient Record Keeping. The proposed amendment requires that the patient record include, where appropriate, an entry noting any diagnostics, treatments, or referrals offered by the veterinarian and declined by the owner of the animal.

Upon motion by Ms. Reveley, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board directed staff to post the proposed preamble and amendment in the *Texas Register* in accordance with law.

573.71, Employment By Nonprofit or Municipal Corporations. The proposed amendment eliminates the reference to the old uncodified law and restates the right of nonprofit or municipal corporations to hire veterinarians. It also provides that a licensee employed by a nonprofit or municipal corporation must fully abide by the provisions of the Veterinary Licensing Act.

Upon motion by Mr. Martinez, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board directed staff to post the

proposed preamble and amendment in the *Texas Register* in accordance with law.

577.15, Fee Schedule. The proposed amendment increases, by \$5, the Board's required fees for current license renewals, inactive renewals, and special licenses. Proportional increases are also made in delinquent renewal fees. The changes are required to cover the costs of the Board's legislative appropriations for FY2007.

Upon motion by Dr. Johnsen, second, and an affirmative vote, the Board directed staff to post the proposed preamble and new rule in the *Texas Register* in accordance with law.

5033 Strategic Plan and Legislative Appropriations Request. Members were asked to review the proposed Strategic Plan and provide feedback on items they feel should be changed and/or deleted or added. Dr. Johnsen stated that he would like to see more information regarding veterinary medicine's monetary effect on the State of Texas. Dr. Heflin stated that the agency needs more funding for regulation of unlicensed practice and requested that the area addressing this issue in the Strategic Plan be revised to provide more emphasis on the need for regulation.

Members were asked to appoint a committee to review and approve the Strategic Plan and the Legislative Appropriations Request. Dr. Lastovica appointed Drs. Johnsen, Alldredge, and Heflin and Ms. Diaz to the committee.

5034 Recommendations For The 80th Legislature. Mr. Allen gave an overview regarding the issue of Peer Assistance funding. He stated that the agency would approach the legislature with a request to changing the funding strategy for the program. Currently the program is funded through a \$2.00 fee on each license renewal and administrative penalties. This strategy has left the program under funded during some years. TVMA has funded the remaining portion needed. TVMA staff stated that beginning July 1, 2007, TVMA will pay Dr. Munden only those funds received from the state board.

5035 Communication With Licensees. Dr. Johnsen discussed the need to provide the agency's *Board Notes* publication to the agency's licensees. Members suggested giving licensees the ability to determine how they would like to receive the publication at the time of license renewal. Dr. Johnsen stated that in the 36 clinics located in El Paso, less than half of the clinics had computers in their offices, of those, 75% had internet access. Upon motion by Mr. Martinez, second and an affirmative vote, members instructed staff to include funding for distribution of the *Board Notes* in the Strategic Plan and the Legislative Appropriations Request.

5036 License Renewal. Members were asked to provide guidance on board action relating to those licensees who do not renew their license timely. During the 79th Legislative session, the Veterinary Licensing Act was changed to require that veterinarians who do not renew their license by the due date cease practicing until their license was renewed. Members stated that for the first year, staff should continue to make calls where necessary to prompt licensees to renew and create a rule that would provide

for a penalty for use in the second year.

5037 Survey. During the February Board meeting, agency staff were asked to conduct a survey of licensees regarding the prevalence of practicing without a license in their area. Staff reported that 79 veterinarians responded to the survey with 12 individuals indicating that unauthorized practice was a major problem in their area, 17 indicated the problem was moderate, 28 indicated it was a minor problem and 22 indicated that it was not a problem.

5038 Patient Records. Dr. Johnsen discussed requiring licensees involved in an investigation to submit patient records prior to being provided with a copy of the complaint. In the past complainants have protested, stating that the licensee may have changed the patient records in response to the complaint. Dr. Johnsen stated that requesting patient records prior to providing the licensee with a copy of the complaint could reduce the likelihood of this possibility. Upon motion by Mr. Martinez, second and an affirmative vote, the board directed staff to review the complaint process and make changes as necessary, including a change within the rule, to require a copy of the patient records prior to sending the complaint to the veterinarian and to encourage complainants to retrieve a copy of the records from the veterinarian.

5039 Notarization Of Compliance Audits By Mail. Members were asked to revisit the requirement to have licensees have the compliance audit by mail statement notarized prior to submission to the Board as complaints about the requirement have been received. Upon motion by Dr. Johnsen, second and an affirmative vote, the members instructed staff to remove the requirement for notarization.

5040 Appeals. Members were asked to provide guidance with regard to the current appeals process. Currently, the Board has an unofficial policy of allowing complainants whose complaints are found to be groundless to request a review by another veterinary Board member. Members indicated that the appeals process should remain unchanged unless the number of appeals increase.

5041 Continuing Education. Members discussed the Sunset management action regarding proof of continuing education and monitoring of continuing education providers.

5042 Search Committee For Executive Director Position. Members were asked to appoint a search committee to review applicants for the Executive Director position and identify candidates for interview by the full board. Dr. Lastovica appointed himself and Drs. Carpenter, Alldredge and Johnsen to the search committee.

5043 Executive Director's Report.

Update on Health Professions Council Activities – Mr. Allen gave an overview of HPC activities.

2006 License Renewals – As of May 31, 2006, 5559 regular licensees, 764 inactive licensee, 84 special licensees, 273 retired licensees, and 64 military licensees had renewed.

April 10, 2006 State Board Examination – 158 individuals were examined, 157 passed

Status of FY2006 Operating Budget – Mr. Allen gave an overview of the status of the FY2006 operating

budget.

Enforcement Report – As of May 31, 2006, the Board has received 267 complaints for FY2006 and resolved 233 complaints, with an average resolution time of 116 days.

Licensing and Examinations Report – As of May 31, 2006 the Board licenses 6894 veterinarians, the State Board Exam was administered to 211 applicants, the Provisional License Exam was administered to 14 applicants, and the Special License Exam was administered to 5 applicants.

Peer Assistance Report – As of May 31, 2006, 15 individuals were participating in the Peer Assistance program. One of those individuals is under Board order to participate.

4958 Adjournment. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

Robert Lastovica, D.V.M.
President

Bud E. Alldredge, Jr., D.V.M.
Secretary