

Board of Veterinary Medicine
Secretary of State, Office of Professional Regulation
89 Main St, 3rd Floor, City Center, Montpelier, VT 05602
Approved Minutes
Meeting of August 11, 2016

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:58 a.m.

Members present: J. Drexel Wheeler, DVM, Chair; Paula Yankauskas, VMD, Vice-Chair; Crager J. Boardman, Jr; Ryan Canales, MVB, Secretary; Terry York, Public Member and Jeannette Hogan, Public Member

OPR Personnel present: Aprille Morrison, Licensing Board Specialist

Others Present: Kathryn Finnie, VVMA

2. The Chair called for approval of the minutes of the June 9, 2016 meeting. Ms. York made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2016 meeting as presented. Dr. Canales seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. Case Managers Report:

Carla Preston reported on the number of current cases. There are currently four (4) pending cases. Two (2) are pending an Investigative Team meeting in which one an expert witness is needed, one (1) is ready for closing (to be presented at today's meeting) and one (1) is under investigation.

4. Hearings/Stipulation & Consent Orders/Reports of Concluded Investigation:

Report of Concluded Investigation in the matter of docket # 2016-147. Ms. York made a motion to accept the report as presented. Dr. Boardman seconded the motion. Motion passed. Dr. Wheeler did not participate in the vote as he was the Investigative Team member.

5. Continuing Education Request:

Dr. Peggy Larson submitted a request for six (6) hours of approved CVME credit for the course "**Equine Care, Handling & Cruelty Investigations**" that was held August 2-3, 2016. Dr. Boardman made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Yankauskas seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ms. Deborah Glottman submitted a request for six (6) hours of CVME credit for the course "**Practical Anesthesia & Perioperative Pain Management**" to be held October 9, 2016. Dr. Yankauskas made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Canales seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Dr. George Glanzberg submitted an appeal letter regarding the June denial of his submissions for CVME credit for New England Journal of Medicine article studies. Dr.

Glanzberg also was requesting from the Board an approval to count up to 8 article reviews, for 8 credits of CVME, per renewal period toward meeting his CVME credit. The Board agreed that they do not have the authority to approve a certain number of CVME credits for articles without reviewing the articles on a one by one basis and therefore cannot approve Dr. Glanzberg's request. As far as the June denials the Board is requesting additional information from Dr. Glanzberg for those requests as for any future requests he may submit. The following items will need to be included in the request packets submitted by Dr. Glanzberg for CVME approval:

- A separate request for approval for each article/entry
- A synopsis from Dr. Glanzberg stating how he feels this article specifically relates to the practice of Veterinary medicine.
- A copy of the completion confirmation from the New England Journal of Medicine.
- A copy of the article itself.

As most of this information was submitted for the June requests the only thing additional the Board is requesting is the brief synopsis from Dr. Glanzberg relating to how he feels those specific articles relate specifically to the practice of Veterinary medicine. As long as the information is received prior to the October meeting, the Board will re-evaluate Dr. Glanzberg's requests. Ms. Morrison will contact Dr. Glanzberg.

6. Discussion Item:

Dr. Wheeler informed the Board that the FDA would like the Vermont Board of Veterinary Medicine to "tighten-up" the definition for Veterinary Client Patient Relationships. Dr. Wheeler will reach out to Mr. Novins, general counsel for the Board, to see how to begin this process.

7. **Public Comment:**

Ms. Kathy Finnie informed the members present that the VVMA is getting ready to launch their online CVME learning programs. Ms. Finne also informed members that the VVMA has been working with the Vermont Department of Health and Mr. Novins to develop Rules regarding the safe prescribing, storage, administration and distribution of prescriptive drugs in Vermont. This is stemming from the passage of S.243, an opioid bill introduced and passed last legislative season. The Board will wait to hear about an update from Mr. Novins.

9. The next meeting is scheduled for **October 13, 2016** at 9:00 am.

10. Dr. Boardman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 am. Ms. Hogan seconded the motion. Motion passed.