

Vermont Secretary of State  
Office of Professional Regulation  
**STATE VETERINARY BOARD**  
**UNAPPROVED MINUTES**  
**MEETING of THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2003**

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m.

Members present: Ronald Svec, D.V.M., Acting Chair, Evelenn Cecchini, David Lamb, D.V.M. and Heather Hoisington. Absent: Mark Basol, D.V.M. and Michelle Tulis, D.V.M.; OPR Staff Present: Larry S. Novins, Board Counsel; Carla Preston, Unit Administrator; and Diane Lafaille, Board Administrator. Others present: Dr. Todd Johnson. Members noted that Dr. Robert Bergman was recently appointed by the Governor to replace Dr. Lamb.

2. The Acting Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the May 8th meeting. Ms. Hoisington made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cecchini, to approve the Minutes of the May 8th, 2003 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Hearings/Stipulations** - None to report.

4. Proposed Legislation or Rules

A. Ms. Preston noted that the Board's legislation on Relief of Liability for Animal Abuse passed. Also, the following provisions were passed, which effect's all boards: 1) unlicensed practice - the Board can now fine up to \$1,000.00 a day if a person practices without being licensed to do so; 2) 7 year retention period for keeping records; 3) Staff investigators are now called Law Officers, etc.

5. Candidates for licensure attended the meeting at 10:00 a.m. to complete the process. The Board voted to go into executive session at 11:03 a.m. and out at 11:05 a.m. Dr. Lamb made a motion, seconded by Ms Hoisington, to approve the candidates listed below for licensure on the basis of their applications and successful completion of the State Board examination. Motion passed unanimously. It should be noted that Dr. Dallas Meek was not in attendance, however, he had previously appeared before the Board on at least two separate occasions. Dr. Johnson introduced himself and explained his role as Federal Veterinarian.

**Beardall, Sarah, D.V.M.**  
**Bero, Michael, D.V.M.**  
**Cleary, Tara-Jean, D.V.M.**  
**Kelloway, Deborah, D.V.M.**  
**McMullan, Susan, D.V.M.**  
**McMillen, Brendon, D.V.M.**

**Meek, Dallas, D.V.M.**  
**Snarski, Erin, D.V.M.**  
**Snedden, Kimberly, D.V.M.**  
**Stokowski, Anne, D.V.M.**  
**Torcoletti, Tara, D.V.M.**

6. **COMPLAINTS**

The following reports of concluded investigations were presented for closure:

VE10-0203, Dr. Lamb moved, seconded by Ms. Hoisington, to close this complaint without charges. Approved.  
VE20-0403, Dr. Lamb moved, seconded by Ms. Hoisington, to close this complaint without charges. Approved.  
VE21-0403, Dr. Lamb moved, seconded by Ms. Hoisington, to close this complaint without charges. Approved.  
VE03-0802, Ms. Cecchini moved, seconded by Ms. Hoisington, to close this complaint without charges. Approved.  
VE16-0403, Dr. Lamb moved, seconded by Ms. Cecchini, to table action on this complaint until Dr. Basol, Board investigator, is present to answer questions.

7. **Continuing Education:**None to report.

8. **Miscellaneous Correspondence**

a. Miscellaneous Correspondence was noted.

9. **American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB) Correspondence**

a. Correspondence noted.

10. **National Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (NBVME) - Correspondence**

a. Correspondence noted.

11. **American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Correspondence**

a. Correspondence noted.

12. **Strategic Planning**

What's next? Discuss topics to be addressed at future meetings.

- a. The Board reviewed information received from other states regarding provisional, special or courtesy licenses. Attorney Novins was requested to draft legislation to be submitted to the 2004 Legislature. This will be reviewed at the Board's next meeting.
- b. The Board discussed the pros and cons of applicant's attending a Board meeting in order to be licensed. The Board feels that this is a very informative meeting with the applicants and concluded members indicated that both the Board and the applicant benefit from this interview and they will continue this practice as part of the licensure process.
- c. Adding an active practice requirement was discussed. The Board will re-review this topic during the next rulemaking process.

13. **Other Business Introduced by the Board**

14. **Public Comment**

15. The date of the next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, September 11, 2003.**

**Meeting date for 2003 is as follows: November 13, 2003**

16. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Lafaille, Board Administrator  
Office of Professional Regulation