

**MINUTES, North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board
Raleigh, North Carolina, December 3, 2015**

At 8:22 a.m., President Kim D. Gemeinhardt, D.V.M. called to order the regular meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board. In attendance were the following Board members: Drs. William K. Dean, Dwight E. Cochran, Susan K. Bull, Jane A. Barber, Douglas Meckes, and Mrs. Katie O. Morgan. Also present were Board Attorneys, Mr. George Hearn and Mr. Lee Craven. Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Mickey, and Deputy Director Mr. Jonathan Loftis were present as well.

Dr. Gemeinhardt reviewed with the Board the Governor's and the North Carolina Board of Ethics' statement on recognizing and avoiding conflicts of interest. She also reviewed G.S. § 90-179 of the North Carolina Veterinary Practice Act.

On motion by Dr. Cochran, seconded by Mrs. Morgan, the minutes for the October 8, 2015, Board meetings were approved after corrections were made.

At 8:25 a.m., Joseph P. Jordan, PhD., Executive Director of the N.C. Veterinary Health Program (NCVHP), joined the meeting. Dr. Jordan

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presented an update of the status of the N.C. Veterinary Health Program (NCVHP) since the last Board meeting. It was noted that the NCVHP contract expires January 31, 2016. The Board will be reviewing this contract at the next Board meeting.

The Board Investigator reported on his activities since the last meeting. He asked permission to attend the Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards (FARB) meeting in January 2016. Dr. Cochran made a motion that the Board Investigator attend the January 2016 FARB meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Dean. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the previously established meeting calendar for 2016. Following discussion the Board has changed two meeting dates for 2016. There will be no October or December meetings and those meetings were scheduled for September 8, 2016 and November 17, 2016.

At 9:22 a.m. the Board recessed for a break and reconvened at 9:34 a.m.

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Dr. Gemeinhardt congratulated the Board Investigator on his 16 years of employment with the Board.

Dr. Gemeinhardt assigned Mr. Loftis, Dr. Dean, and Dr. Bull to work on the issue of ownership as it relates to the Veterinary Practice Act.

The Executive Director reported on operational and administrative activities of the Board since the October 8th Board meeting. He distributed a financial report which the Board reviewed and discussed.

Dr. Gemeinhardt reported that inspector Dr. Joseph Wright officially resigned as of November 30, 2015. House Bill 765 has become law for all Occupational Licensing Boards. The Executive Committee will be interviewing soon for a Veterinary Practice Facility Inspector for the western part of North Carolina.

At 10:50 a.m. the Board recessed for lunch and reconvened at 12:20 p.m.

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Report of Committee on Investigations No. 1

- 2015016-1 **James Edward Williams, DVM** (Eastern Carolina Veterinary Referral Hospital) – Mr. Bill McCuskey – Letter of Caution
- 2015023-1 **Jordan Quinn Jaeger, DVM** (Carolina Veterinary Spec.-South Charlotte) – Dr. James Armstrong – Letter of Caution
- 2015024-1 **Gregory Arthur Arnold, DVM** (Carolina Veterinary Spec.-South Charlotte) – Ms. Johnine Ayrons – Dismissed, No Probable Cause
- 2015026-1 **Angela Janene Lassiter, DVM & Vicki Jeanine Sellers, DVM** (Animal Emergency Hospital & Urgent Care) – Ms. Jennifer Lee – Dismissed, No Probable Cause
- 2015027-1 **Jeff D. Wilkins, DVM** (Elon Animal Hospital) – Mr. & Mrs. David Witzel – Continued
- 2015029-1 **John H. Isaacs, DVM & Dawn Coy Lanza, DVM** (Quail Corner Animal Hospital) – Mr. Kevin M. Gallagher – Dismissed, No Probable Cause

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2015032-1 **Holly Brooke Hinson, DVM; Lissette Marie Leon,**

DVM (Banfield Pet Hospital-Knightdale) – Ms. Sandra

Mariotte – Letters of Reprimand.

Dr. Cochran made a motion to accept the report of the Committee on Investigations No. 1. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Morgan. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 2

The complaints # 2014037-1 (Mr. Blake Barrington), #2014026-2 (Ms. Shelley Parisi Reaves), and #2014053-2 (Ms. Elizabeth Hathaway) were combined for the purposes of discipline into a Consent Order that the Committee recommends the Board accept and enter into with Paula K. Bullock, DVM. Following the review of the Order, Dr. Bull made a motion to execute the Order with the recommended edits. The Order will be signed and notarized to the satisfaction of Mr. Hearn. Dr. Cochran seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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2014054-2 **Poppy Masterson, DVM** (Affordable Animal Care Spay
Neuter Clinic) – Mr. & Mrs. Randy Nevils – Continued

Dr. Bull made a motion to accept the report of Committee on
Investigations No. 2. Dr. Cochran seconded the motion. The motion
passed unanimously.

The Board recessed for a short break at 1:56 p.m. and reconvened at
2:22 p.m.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 5

2015020-5 **Rachel Elizabeth Mowell, DVM** (Academy Animal
Hospital) – Mr. Charles Porter – Dismissed, No Probable
Cause

2015030-5 **Andrew Alexander McCaskill, DVM** (VCA- Durant
Road Animal Hospital) – Ms. Shana Fields, RN –
Dismissed, No Probable Cause

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2015031-5 **Jack V. Hill, DVM** (Gray's Creek Animal Hospital) –

Ms. Jessica Eileen Powell – Dismissed, No Probable
Cause

2015034-5 **Robert C. Rigsby, Jr., DVM** (Hampstead Animal

Hospital) – Ms. Gerri DelTondo – Continued

2015028-5 **Felicita Brigitte Noeller, DVM** (Lakeview Veterinary

Hospital) – Mr. & Mrs. Jason Cagle - Continued

Dr. Bull made a motion to accept the report of Committee on
Investigations No. 5. Dr. Barber seconded the motion. The motion was
approved. Dr. Dean recused himself from the vote on complaint 2015031-
5.

Dr. Barber made a motion to approve the expenses for the Board
Meeting, which was seconded by Dr. Cochran. The motion was passed
unanimously.

The Board having no further business, upon motion of Dr. Cochran,
seconded by Dr. Barber, the meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey
Executive Director