

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

I. General Information

Meeting Dates: March 2, 2004
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Embassy Suites Hotel
1100 Southeast 17th Street
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316
954.527.2700

Members Present: Dr. Robert O'Neil, Dr. Sergio Vega, Dr. Joann Helm, Dr. Katherine Horky, Dr. Kandra Jones, Ms. Cynthia Lewis and Ms. Susan Love

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: Juanita Chastain, Executive Director
Linda Tinsley, Government Analyst
Charles Tunnicliff, Prosecuting Attorney
Drew Winters, Prosecuting Attorney
Jeffrey Jones, Assistant Attorney General
Donald Shaffer, Executive Director, Florida Veterinarian's Association
Applicants and other interested parties

II. Major Issues/Actions

- The board heard four informal hearings.
- The board heard four settlement stipulations.
- The board tabled one motion to dismiss.
- The board reviewed and approved one application.
- The board discussed the modalities presented by the Florida Alliance for Animal Owners Rights and voted that performing those modalities on animals other than your own would be considered the practice of veterinary medicine.
- The board discussed the Board of Chiropractic Medicine's concern that veterinarians use the term "chiropractic" manipulation in their advertising. The Board voted that the chair is to respond to the Board of Chiropractic Medicine that veterinarians cannot use the term chiropractic to describe certain procedures or services offered.
- The Executive Director for the Florida Veterinarian's Association, Donald Shaffer, advised the board that the Board of Pharmacy was developing rules regarding internet pharmacies. He also indicated he was tracking bills that may affect the practice of veterinary medicine.
- Dr. O'Neil was reappointed as Chair and Dr. Vega was reappointed Vice- Chair.
- The board ratified premise permits, examination candidates and continuing education providers.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Mr. Jones presented language on 61G18-12.001, FAC, Examination and Reexamination Fee to change the fee of \$19.50 to \$13.50 that is paid to the testing vendor. The change accurately reflects what a candidate must now pay.
- Mr. Jones presented language on 61G18-16.0035, FAC, Standards for Providers of Continuing Veterinary Medical Education to set a renewal period of four years.
- Mr. Jones presented language on 61G18-16.003, FAC, Continuing Education Standards to add the registry of approved continuing education courses (RACE) as approved courses.

IV. Action Required

- Schedule next board meeting for June 10, 2004 at the Hyatt Regency Airport, Orlando.
- Mr. Jones to file rules.
- Dr. O'Neil to respond to the Board of Chiropractic Medicine.
- Final orders to be prepared by Mr. Tunncliff and Mr. Jones.

Juanita Chastain
Executive Director