

1 **MINUTES**

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3 **Board of Veterinary Medicine**  
4 **General Business Meeting**  
5 **Hampton Inn & Suites, Downtown St. Petersburg**  
6 **80 Beach Drive NE**  
7 **St. Petersburg, Florida 33701**  
8 **June 20, 2017**  
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10 **CALL TO ORDER**

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12 Dr. Leonard, Board Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.  
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14 **Pledge of Allegiance**

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16 **MEMBERS PRESENT**

17 Dr. Robert B. Leonard, Jr., Chair  
18 Dr. Robert R. Hase, Jr., Vice - Chair  
19 Dr. Harvey Partridge  
20 Dr. Sharon Powell  
21 Dr. Rudd Nelson  
22 Suzanne S. Inzina  
23 Connie Johnson  
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25 **MEMBERS ABSENT**

26 None  
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28 **OTHERS PRESENT**

29 Ruthanne Christie, Executive Director  
30 Clark Jennings, Board Counsel  
31 Elizabeth Henderson, Prosecuting Attorney  
32 Amanda Senn, Government Analyst  
33 Integra Reporting, 813-868-5130

34 **PROBATION ROLL CALL**

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36 Dr. Leonard asked Ms. Senn to call the roll.  
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38 The following probationers were present;

39 Abdel Hamici, DVM  
40 Walter Kallenbach, DVM  
41 Jaime Pausa, DVM  
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43 **APPROVAL OF June 20, 2017 MEETING MINUTES**

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45 **MOTION:** Dr. Partridge made a motion to approve the minutes.

46 **SECOND:** Dr. Powell.  
47 Motion passed unanimously.

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49 **DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS**

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51 **Douglas Shearer, DVM**  
52 **Case number 2016-019325**  
53 **VM 2542**

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55 Dr. Powell was recused due to her participation on the probable cause panel.

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57 Dr. Shearer was represented by Counsel Brian Reynolds, Esq.

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59 Dr. Shearer was charged with violation of 474.214(r), F.S., "being guilty of  
60 incompetence or negligence by failing to practice medicine with that level of care, skill,  
61 and treatment which is recognized by a reasonably prudent veterinarian as being  
62 acceptable under similar conditions and circumstances"

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64 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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66 **MOTION:** Ms. Johnson made a motion to impose a fine of \$4,000 and costs of  
67 \$622.80, having quarterly records pulls of 5 records each time, and attend two  
68 consecutive meetings before the end of probation. If records are not acceptable, Dr.  
69 Shearer would attend board meetings until records pass inspection.

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71 **SECOND:** Dr. Partridge.

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73 Motion passed unanimously.

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75 **Tracy Anderson, DVM**  
76 **Case number 2015-025733**  
77 **VM 6936**

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79 Dr. Anderson was represented by Counsel Brian Reynolds, Esq.

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81 Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.

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83 Dr. Anderson was charged with violation of 474.214(1)(ee) "failing to keep  
84 contemporaneously written medical records as required by rule of the Board"

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86 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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88 **MOTION:** Dr. Nelson made a motion to accept the settlement stipulation as  
89 presented. The stipulation includes a fine of \$2000.00 and costs of  
90 \$542.13, and one year of probation with appearances at the September  
91 2017 and June 2018 Board meetings.

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93 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.

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95 Motion passed unanimously.

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97 **Julie Lea Hollifield, DVM**  
98 **Case number 2015-052865**  
99 **VM 10019**

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101 Dr. Hollifield was present and represented by Counsel Brian Reynolds, Esq.

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103 Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.

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105 Dr. Hollifield was charged with violation of 474.214(1)(ee) "failing to keep  
106 contemporaneously written medical records as required by rule of the Board"

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108 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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110 **MOTION:** Ms. Johnson made a motion to reject the settlement stipulation.

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112 **SECOND:** Dr. Partridge.

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114 Motion passed unanimously.

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116 **MOTION:** Dr. Partridge made a counter offer including no fine and costs of \$639.17,  
117 probation for one year, and no additional CE hours, and no additional appearances. Dr.  
118 Hollifield accepted the terms of the counter offer on the record.

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120 **SECOND:** Ms. Johnson.

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122 Motion passed unanimously.

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124 **Jerry Shank, DVM**  
125 **Case number 2015-048570**  
126 **VM 1605**

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128 Dr. Shank was present and represented by Counsel Kaitlin Jenson, Esq.

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130 Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.

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132 Dr. Nelson and Dr. Leonard asked to recuse themselves from this case.

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134 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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136 Dr. Shank was charged with violation 474.214(r) "being guilty of incompetence or  
137 negligence by failing to practice medicine with that level of care, skill, and treatment  
138 which is recognized by a reasonably prudent veterinarian as being acceptable under  
139 similar conditions and circumstances"

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141 Dr. Shank was charged with violation of 474.214(1)(ee) "failing to keep  
142 contemporaneously written medical records as required by rule of the Board"

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144 **MOTION:** Dr. Partridge made the motion to reject the settlement stipulation.

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146 **SECOND:** Dr. Powell.

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148 Motion passed unanimously.

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150 **MOTION:** Dr. Partridge made the counter offer of fines in the amount of \$4000.00  
151 and costs \$552.14 to be paid in 120 days, probation for 1 year, 2 hours of Medical  
152 Records, 2 Hours Pain Management, and this meeting counted as his first appearance.  
153 Dr. Shank accepted the counter offer on the record.

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155 **SECOND:** Dr. Powell.

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157 Motion passed unanimously.

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159 **Anthony Weirather, DVM**

160 **Case number 2015-034174**

161 **VM 3453**

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163 Dr. Weirather was present and represented by Counsel Ed Bayo, Esq.

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165 Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.

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167 Dr. Weirather was charged with violation of 474.214(r), F.S., "being guilty of  
168 incompetence or negligence by failing to practice medicine with that level of care, skill,  
169 and treatment which is recognized by a reasonably prudent veterinarian as being  
170 acceptable under similar conditions and circumstances"

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172 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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174 **MOTION:** Ms. Johnson made the motion to reject the settlement stipulation.

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176 **SECOND:** Dr. Powell.

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178 Motion passed unanimously.

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180 **MOTION:** Ms. Inzina made the motion to reinstate count I, fines in the amount of  
181 \$3000.00 and costs of \$622.14 to be paid within 30 days of the filing of the final order,  
182 probation for 1 year, this appearance before the board satisfies the first board meeting  
183 requirement, and 2 hours of continuing education in Pain Management.

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185 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.

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187 Motion passed unanimously.

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189 **Sandra L'Amie, DVM**

190 **Case number 2015-055914**

191 **VM 2333**

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193 Dr. L'Amie was present and represented by Counsel Ed Bayo, Esq.

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195 Dr. Powell was recused due to her participation on the probable cause panel.

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197 Dr. L'Amie was charged with violation of 474.214(r), F.S., "being guilty of incompetence  
198 or negligence by failing to practice medicine with that level of care, skill, and treatment  
199 which is recognized by a reasonably prudent veterinarian as being acceptable under  
200 similar conditions and circumstances"

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202 Dr. L'Amie was charged with violation of 474.214(1)(ee) "failing to keep  
203 contemporaneously written medical records as required by rule of the Board"

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205 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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207 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to accept the Settlement Stipulation requiring  
208 fines in the amount of \$2000.00 and costs in the amount of \$879.71 to be paid within 30  
209 days of the filing of the final order and 1 year probation.

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211 **SECOND:** Dr. Partridge.

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213 Motion passed unanimously.

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215 **Sandrine McCubbin, DVM**

216 **Case number 2016-049734**

217 **VM 12704**

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219 Dr. McCubbin was present and represented by Counsel Ed Bayo, Esq.

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Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.

Dr. McCubbin was charged with violation of 474.214(1)(b), “having a license or the authority to practice veterinary medicine revoked, suspended, or otherwise acted against, including the denial of licensure, by the licensing authority of any jurisdiction, including any agency or subdivision of”

After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

**MOTION:** Dr. Nelson made a motion to accept the settlement stipulation as presented requiring fines in the amount of \$1000.00 and costs in the amount of \$219.58 to be paid within 30 days of filing of the final order.

**SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.

Motion passed unanimously.

**Julie Steller, DVM**  
**Case number 2016-022563**  
**VM13230**

Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.

Dr. Steller was present and represented by Counsel Lori Heim, Esq.

Dr. Steller was charged with violation of 474.214(r), F.S., “being guilty of incompetence or negligence by failing to practice medicine with that level of care, skill, and treatment which is recognized by a reasonably prudent veterinarian as being acceptable under similar conditions and circumstances”

Dr. Steller was charged with violation of 474.214(1)(b), “having a license or the authority to practice veterinary medicine revoked, suspended, or otherwise acted against, including the denial of licensure, by the licensing authority of any jurisdiction, including any agency or subdivision of”

After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

**MOTION:** Dr. Nelson made the motion to reject the settlement stipulation and proposed a counter offer to include Continuing Education for 2 hours of abdominal surgery, fines in the amount of \$2000.00 and costs of \$239.00 to be paid within 30 days of the filing of the final order and one year of non-reporting probation. Dr. Steller accepted the counter offer on the record.

264 **SECOND:** Ms. Johnson.

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266 Motion passed unanimously.

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268 **Scott McAbee, DVM**

269 **Case number 2016-008552**

270 **VM 5642**

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272 Dr. McAbee was present and represented by Counsel Brian Degaille, Esq.

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274 Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.

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276 Dr. McAbee was charged with violation of 414.214(1)(ee) "failing to keep  
277 contemporaneously written medical records as required by rule of the Board"

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279 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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281 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made the motion to accept the settlement stipulation requiring  
282 fines in the amount of \$ 500.00 and costs in the amount of \$463.71 to be paid within 30  
283 days of the filing of the final order, 1 year of probation, and included 2 hours of  
284 continuing education in abdominal surgery. This meeting counted as the first probation  
285 appearance.

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287 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina

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289 Motion passed unanimously.

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291 **Steven Odland, DVM**

292 **Case number 2015-045161**

293 **VM 2128**

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295 Dr. Odland was present and represented by Counsel David Rankin, Esq.

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297 Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.

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299 Dr. Odland was charged with violation of 474.214(1)(ee) "failing to keep  
300 contemporaneously written medical records as required by rule of the Board"

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302 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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304 **MOTION:** Dr. Partridge made a motion to accept the settlement stipulation requiring  
305 fines in the amount of \$2000.00 and costs in the amount of \$275.91 to be paid within 30  
306 days of the filing of the final order and 1 year of probation, this appearance being the  
307 first and he must attend the meeting prior to the end of his probation.

308 Motion passed unanimously.

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310 **Gary Reinhardt, DVM**

311 **Case number 2016-022970**

312 **VM 3740**

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314 Dr. Reinhardt was present and sworn in.

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316 Dr. Hase was recused due to his participation on the probable cause panel.

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318 Dr. Reinhardt was violation of 474.214(1)(v), "failing to keep the equipment and  
319 premises of the business establishment in a clean and sanitary condition, having a  
320 premises permit suspended or revoked pursuant to s. 474.215, or operation or man  
321 aging premises that do not comply with requirement established by rule of the board."

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323 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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325 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made a motion to accept the findings of fact in the  
326 administrative complaint and the conclusions of law.

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328 **SECOND:** Ms. Johnson.

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330 Motion passed unanimously.

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332 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made a motion to stay the suspension of the premise permit  
333 for 30 days or until and inspection could be completed on the premise, fines in the  
334 amount of \$1000.00 and costs in the amount of \$211.04 to be paid within 30 days of the  
335 filing of the final order.

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337 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.

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339 Motion passed unanimously.

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341 **Review/Approval of Applications**

342 **Daniel Trovillion, DVM – Informal Hearing**

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344 Dr. Trovillion was present and was sworn in by the court reporter.

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346 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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348 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to approve Dr. Trovillion application upon a  
349 satisfactory PRN evaluation stating he would be safe to practice with a 5 year  
350 monitoring contract.

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352 **SECOND:** Dr. Leonard.  
353 Motion passed unanimously.

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355 **Alex Mora-Melendez, DVM – Initial License by Endorsement**

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357 Dr. Mora-Melendez was present and sworn in on the record. After discussion, Dr. Mora-  
358 Melendez withdrew his application.

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360 **Gregory Burbelo, DVM, - Initial License by Endorsement**

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362 Dr. Burbelo was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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364 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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366 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made the motion to approve the license with 2 years probation  
367 requiring one visit per year.

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369 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.

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371 Motion passed unanimously.

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373 **Kelsey Human-Initial for Foreign Candidate**

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375 Ms. Human was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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377 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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379 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made the motion to approve the application contingent on  
380 receiving the certificate of completion from ECFVG.

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382 **SECOND:** Dr. Partidge.

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384 Motion passed unanimously.

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386 **John Joseph Sykes-Initial by Endorsement**

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388 Dr. Sykes was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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390 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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392 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made the motion to approve the application pending a  
393 satisfactory evaluation from PRN on probation for 2 years non-reporting/no  
394 appearances.

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396 **SECOND:** Dr. Partridge.

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398 Motion passed unanimously.

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400 **Catherine Allinovi-Initial by Examination**

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402 Ms. Allinovi was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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404 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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406 **MOTION:** Dr. Partridge made the motion to continue Dr. Allinovi's application to have  
407 a PRN evaluation completed prior to reconsidering her application.

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409 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.

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411 The 90 days were waived by Ms. Allinovi.

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413 Motion passed unanimously.

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415 **Veterinary Relief and Support Services LLC- Happy People, Happy Pets**  
416 **Symposium- Continuing Education**

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418 Ms. Buisson was present and sworn in by the court reporter.

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420 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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422 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made the motion to accept the application.

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424 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.

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426 Motion passed unanimously.

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428 **American Holistic Veterinary Medical Association-Continuing Education**

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430 There was no one present for American Holistic Veterinary Medical Association.

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432 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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434 **MOTION:** Dr. Partridge made the motion to deny the following courses TCVM FOR  
435 RENAL ICTERUS, REIGNITE YOUR PASSION FOR VETERINARY MEDICINE AND  
436 LIFE, FIVE SECRETS OF PREVENT PRACTICE FROM KILLING YOU, REIGNITE  
437 YOUR PASSION FOR VETERINARY MEDICINE AND LIFE, ZOOPHAMACOGNOSY  
438 III THE USE OF NATURAL PSYCOACTIVE SUBSTANCES BY ANIMALS,  
439 ZOOPHAMACOGNOSY II THE ANIMAL ORGINS OF HERBAL MEDICINE,

440 ZOOPHAMACOGNOSY I ANIMAL SELF-TREATMENT WITH MEDICINE PLANTS,  
441 CAN HEALING WITH INTENT BE “CAPTURED” AND REPRODUCED WITHOUT  
442 HEALER?, SUBJECTIVE STATES OF CONSCIOUSNESS AND HEALING WITH  
443 INTENT, EMPOWERING THE TECHNICIAN, PLANT INTELLIGENCE III CO-  
444 EVOLUTION AND: MUTULISM BETWEEN THE ANIMAL AND PLANT KINGDOM,  
445 PLANT INTELLIGENCE II: COMMUNICATION AND SHARING, PLANT INTELLIGENCE  
446 I: PLANT SIGNALING AND BEHAVIOR, INTEGRATIVE MEDICINE- AN UPCOMING  
447 TREND IN VERINARY MEDICINE, and INTEGRATION OF INTEGRATIVE  
448 VETERINARY MEDICAL MOLALITIES IN VETERINARY EDUCATION THIRTY TWO  
449 AVMA-RECOGNIZED SPECIALISTS RECOMMENDED CURRICULUM applications  
450 due to lack of scientific content.

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452 **SECOND:** Ms. Johnson.

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454 Motion passed unanimously.

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456 **North Florida Veterinary Specialists, P.A.**

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458 There was no one present for North Florida Veterinary Specialists, P.A.  
459 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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461 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made the motion to deny the application for WORK SMARTER  
462 due to the lack of sufficient content.

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464 **SECOND:** Dr. Partridge.

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466 Motion passed unanimously.

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468 **PROBATION**

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470 **Abdel Hamici, DVM**

471 Dr. Hamici was present at the meeting and was sworn in by the court reporter.

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473 **MOTION:** Ms. Johnson made a motion to accept Dr. Hamici’s probation appearance.

474 **SECOND:** Dr. Powell.

475 Motion passed unanimously.

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477 **Walter Kallenbach, DVM**

478 Dr. Kallenbach was present at the meeting and was sworn in by the court reporter.

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480 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to accept Dr. Kallenbach’s probation  
481 appearance.

482 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.

483 Motion passed unanimously.

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485 **Jaime Pausa, DVM**  
486 Dr. Pausa was present at the meeting and was sworn in by the court reporter.  
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488 **MOTION:** Dr. Partidge made a motion to accept Dr. Pausa's probation appearance.  
489 **SECOND:** Dr. Hase.  
490 Motion passed unanimously.

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492 **RATIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS**

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494 **Licenses**  
495 **MOTION:** Dr. Nelson made a motion to accept the licensure list.  
496 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina  
497 Motion passed unanimously.

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499 **Continuing Education**  
500 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to accept the continuing education list.  
501 **SECOND:** Dr. Nelson.  
502 Motion passed unanimously.

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504 **REPORTS**

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506 **Executive Director – Ruthanne Christie**  
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508 Ms. Christie reviewed the dates of future meetings. September 8, 2017, Hutchinson  
509 Island Marriott Beach Resort, Stuart, Florida.

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511 **Board counsel – Clark Jennings**  
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513 AARP Annual Regulation plan will be open for discussion at the September 2017  
514 meeting.

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516 **Prosecuting Attorney – Elizabeth Henderson**  
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518 Ms. Henderson reviewed her report with the board. She stated she continues to  
519 process cases from the last PCP agenda.

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521 **Board Chair – Dr. Leonard**

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523 **OLD BUSINESS**  
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525 Rule development for modifying rule language for delinquency fee to be reduced from  
526 \$260.00 to \$25.00 per statutory change.

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528 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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530 **MOTION:** Dr. Leonard made the motion to approve.

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532 **SECOND:** Dr. Partridge.

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534 Motion passed unanimously.

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536 **NEW BUSINESS**

537 There was a discussion about the possibility of initiating a notice to develop rule  
538 language for 61G18-15.002.

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540 After discussion by the board the following motions were made.

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542 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to approve.

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544 **SECOND:** Dr. Leonard.

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546 Motion passed unanimously.

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549 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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551 Carrie Jo Anderson addressed the Board and gave information on the Veterinary  
552 Technicians in Florida.

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554 **PROBATION ROLL CALL**

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556 Ms. Senn called the probation roll and all were present.

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558 **Discussion USDA Veterinary Feed Directive and Honeybees presentations**

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560 **ADJOURN**

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562 **MOTION:** Dr. Hase made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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564 **SECOND:** Ms. Inzina.

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The meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M.