

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

I. General Information

Meeting Dates: March 6, 2007
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Embassy Suites
1100 SE 17th Street
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316
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Members Present: Dr. Sergio Vega, Chair, Dr. Joann Helm, Vice-Chair, Dr. Katherine Horky, Ms. Susan Love, Dr. Kandra Jones, Ms. Lisa Hurley and Dr. Robert Leonard

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: Juanita Chastain, Executive Director
Linda Tinsley, Government Analyst
Drew Winters, Prosecuting Attorney
Jeffrey Jones, Assistant Attorney General
Other interested parties

II. Major Issues/Actions

- Dr. Vega was elected chair of the board and Dr. Helm elected vice-chair.
- The board reviewed and approved minutes of the December 5, 2006 board meeting.
- Mr. Winters indicated there are currently 13 status 30 cases, assigned to legal; 82 status 35 cases, set for probable cause; 1 status 36 case, administrative complaint filed; 5 status 40 cases, awaiting outside action; 33 status 43 cases, formal hearing requested; 23 status 45 cases, sent to expert; 8 status 55 cases, set for board presentation; 1 status 58 case, awaiting final order; 6 status 50 cases, settlement negotiations; 1 status 42 case, ready for default; 1 status 39 case stipulation request for informal hearing; and 1 status 60 case under appeal.
- Ms. Chastain reviewed the premise permit application process with the board. She suggested in an effort to expedite application processing and further customer service, that board staff review and approve the applications. The board discussed the statutory authorization for the change and agreed with the new policy.
- Ms. Love presented the December 31, 2006 financial report.
- Mr. Jeffrey Jones presented the following rules report:
 - Rule 61G18-12.019, FAC, null and void fee, development published with proposed effective date of April 4, 2007.
 - Rule 61G18-11.002, FAC, examination and licensure, development published with proposed effective date of April 26, 2007. This rule required a technical change to the name of a manual referenced in the rule. The manual has been changed from “physician’s” to “practitioner’s”.
- Ms. Chastain informed the board the department was considering changing the policy on publication of newsletters. Newsletters would only be posted on the web and no longer mailed. Licensees will be notified of this change at renewal time or by outreach through email and to professional associations. Ms. Chastain explained licensees would be able to subscribe to the

newsletter and be sent an email as the newsletters are posted. The board was supportive of the change but wanted licensees to be informed.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- None

IV. Action Required

- Final orders to be prepared by Mr. Winters and Mr. Jones.
- The following board meeting has been scheduled:
 - June 5, 2007, The Florida Hotel and Conference Center, Orlando, FL

Juanita Chastain
Executive Director