

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

I. General Information

Meeting Dates: March 18, 2008
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Embassy Suites
1100 SE 17th Street
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316
Members Present: Dr. Robert O'Neil, Chair, Mr. Henry Dover, Vice-Chair,
Dr. Guy Maxwell, Dr. Sergio Vega, and Ms. Lisa Hurley
Members Absent: Dr. Joann Helm and Dr. George Simmons (excused)
Other Attendees: Juanita Chastain, Executive Director
Linda Tinsley, Government Analyst
Drew Winters, Prosecuting Attorney
Catherine Lannon, Assistant Attorney General
Other interested parties

II. Major Issues/Actions

- Dr. O'Neil informed the board that Dr. Helm and Dr. Simmons could not attend the meeting because their appointments were so recent the Department of State had not received their appointment paperwork.
- The board reviewed and approved minutes of the December 11, 2007 board meeting.
- The Chair allowed interested parties to address the board and express their opinion concerning microchipping. The board clarified that microchipping is the practice of veterinary medicine and must be done under immediate supervision. The board went on to state that animal shelters which legally own the animals in their care may administer to those animals without a veterinary license.
- Mr. Winters indicated there are currently 23 status-30 cases, assigned to legal; 48 status-35 cases, set for probable cause; 9 status-36 cases, administrative complaint filed; 1 status-40 case, awaiting outside action; 21 status-43 cases, formal hearing requested; 17 status-45 cases, sent to expert; 9 status-55 cases, set for board presentation; 1 status-44 case, referred to DOAH; 2 status-58 cases, case considered awaiting final order; 3 status-50 cases, settlement negotiations; 1 status-51 case, reconsideration of probable cause; 1 status- 42 cases, ready for default; 0 status-39 cases, stipulation request for informal hearing; 1 status-321 case, supplemental investigation; and 1 status-60 case, under appeal.
- The board ratified continuing education and licensure/examination applicants.
- Ms. Chastain distributed a copy of the second quarter 2007-08 financial report.
- The board discussed Rule 61G18-15.0011, FAC, duties of the responsible veterinarian, and agreed not to proceed further with language at this time.
- The board discussed Rule 61G18-30.002, FAC, minor violations, and agreed not to proceed further with language at this time.
- The board indicated that Rule 61G18-15.005, FAC, periodic inspections, had been noticed for development.
- The Chair directed Ms. Lannon to notice Rule 61G18-30, FAC, discipline, for development. Mr. Winters indicated he would review the penalty guidelines.

- Ms. Lannon indicated she would respond to the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee (JAPC) regarding Rule 61G18-14.003, FAC. JAPC expressed concern regarding the rule because the referenced manual was not attached. Ms. Lannon will provide a copy of the manual.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Ms. Lannon to notice Rule 61G18-30, FAC, discipline, for development.

IV. Action Required

- Final orders to be prepared by Ms. Lannon and Mr. Winters.
- The following board meetings have been scheduled:
 - June 3, 2008, Orlando
 - September 9, 2008, St. Augustine
 - December 9, 2008, Fernandina Beach

Juanita Chastain
Executive Director