

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

I. General Information

Meeting Date: September 1, 2011
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Meeting Location: Casa Monica Hotel
95 Cordova Street
St. Augustine, FL 32259
Members Present: Dr. Robert O'Neil, Chair, Dr. Joann Helm, Vice Chair,
Dr. Guy Maxwell, Dr. Raul Figarola, and Ms. Cynthia
Lewis
Members Absent: None
Others Present: Juanita Chastain, Executive Director
Linda Tinsley, Government Analyst
Ruthanne Christie, Government Analyst
Deborah Loucks, Board Counsel
Elizabeth Henderson, Prosecuting Attorney
Phil Hinkle, Executive Director, Florida Veterinary
Medical Association
Other Interested Parties

II. Major Issues/Actions

- The board held paperless agenda training.
- The board reviewed and approved minutes of the June 7, 2011 board meeting.
- The board reviewed and approved minutes of the May 4, 2011 and June 15, 2011 probable cause panel reconsiderations.
- The board ratified the continuing education list.
- The board ratified the licensure candidate list.
- The board reviewed the veterinary establishment list.
- The board acted upon one informal hearing; acted upon one recommended order; accepted two settlement stipulations; and rejected two settlement stipulations.
- The board heard two requests to reinstate a null and void license. The board voted to allow withdrawal of the applications.
- The board accepted ten probationary appearances.
- Ms. Henderson gave the prosecuting attorney report which indicated the following:
 - 38 cases received in legal
 - 5 cases sent for supplemental investigation
 - 1 cases supplemental investigation received
 - 59 cases set for probable cause

- 12 cases awaiting outside action
- 3 cases sent to expert
- 7 cases formal hearing requested
- 10 cases in settlement negotiations
- 5 cases set for reconsideration at probable cause
- The board heard one petition for declaratory statement and answered a valid Florida license must be obtained to read cytology and histopathology cases for a veterinary diagnostic pathology laboratory in Florida.
- The board approved one petition for variance or waiver of Rule 61G18-11.002(4), FAC. Petitioner explained her score was statistically the same as the passing score of the North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE).
- The board voted to repeal Rule 61G18-11.003, Reexamination, FAC, and Rule 61G18-13.002, Approved Schools, FAC.
- Ms. Chastain informed the board the department has begun rule promulgation on the \$50 fee waiver for the 2012 renewal.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Notice Rule 61G18-11.003, Reexamination, FAC, and Rule 61G18-13.002, Approved Schools, FAC for repeal.

IV. Action Required

- Final orders to be prepared by Ms. Loucks and Ms. Henderson.
- The following board meeting has been scheduled:
December 6, 2011, Fernandina Beach

Juanita Chastain
Executive Director