

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
April 12, 2006 Board Meeting

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Veterinary Medicine was held on Wednesday, April 12, 2006, at the Professional Licensing Boards, in Macon Georgia.

The following Board members were present:

Needham Bateman, DVM, President
 Jim Brett, DVM
 Hugh Hill, DVM
 Jan Hines, DVM
 Becky Malphus, DVM
 Charles Lance

Others Present:

Anita O. Martin, Executive Director
 Susan Hewett, Board Secretary
 Amelia Baker, Assistant District Attorney/Board Attorney

President Bateman established that a quorum was present, and the meeting that was scheduled to begin at 9:30a.m. was **called to order** at 9:30 a.m.

Minutes from the February 8, 2006 meeting: Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Hines seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the minutes.

Ratify list of newly issued licenses: Dr. Hines made a motion, Mr. Lance seconded and the Board voted to **ratify** the following list of newly issued licenses.

License Number	Name	License Type
VETT000728	Madden, Susan Lynn	Veterinary Technician
VETT000729	Martin, Kathleen Doyne	Veterinary Technician
VETT000730	Martin, Lisa Diane	Veterinary Technician
VETT000731	Martinez, Michael Eduardo	Veterinary Technician
VETT000732	Mathews, Sara Elizabeth	Veterinary Technician
VETT000733	McCollough, Jennifer Elizabeth	Veterinary Technician
VETT000734	McNamara, Annette Otilie	Veterinary Technician
VETT000735	Moody, Cherie Lynn	Veterinary Technician
VETT000736	Morgan, Cynthia Marie	Veterinary Technician
VETT000737	Norman, Christopher James	Veterinary Technician
VETT000738	Pickel, Samantha Pansy	Veterinary Technician
VETT000739	Price, Carrie L.	Veterinary Technician
VETT000740	Santiago, Vicky Belinda	Veterinary Technician
VETT000741	Sharples, Michelle A	Veterinary Technician
VETT000742	Smith, Gwen Gutierrez	Veterinary Technician
VETT000743	Spratlin, Kimberly Ellen	Veterinary Technician
VETT000744	Thompson, Sarah Elizabeth	Veterinary Technician
VETT000745	Upton, DeAndre Adonis	Veterinary Technician
VETT000746	Wade, Kimberly Ann	Veterinary Technician
VETT000747	Waller, Judy Ann	Veterinary Technician

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VETT000748	Watson, Charlotte Bernice	Veterinary Technician
VETT000749	Watson, Samantha L.	Veterinary Technician
VETT000750	Williams, Stuart John	Veterinary Technician
VETT000751	Yost, Christina Victoria	Veterinary Technician
VETT000752	Kurimo, Elizabeth	Veterinary Technician
VET007402	Terlep, Terrance L	Veterinarian
VET007403	Smith, Colleen Elizabeth	Veterinarian
VET007404	Amador, Sonia E.	Veterinarian
VET007405	West, Cynthia L	Veterinarian
VET007406	Bodri, Michael Steven	Veterinarian
VET007407	Marseli, Houssam	Veterinarian
VET007408	Turner, Renita Rochelle	Veterinarian
VET007409	Bustelo, Wilmer A.	Veterinarian
VET007410	Salazar, Maria Cristina	Veterinarian
VET007411	Ugochukwu, Francis Ogochukwu	Veterinarian
VET007412	Kleinpeter, Charles Chatsworth	Veterinarian
VET007413	Winters, Gary Frederick	Veterinarian
VET007414	Gould, Laura Barbara	Veterinarian
REINSTATEMENTS		
VET003048	Scheller, Linda L.	Veterinarian
VET006814	Eidson, Phillip B.	Veterinarian

Proposal for Veterinary Technician Professional Standard received from AAVSB: The Board requested that AAVSB be notified of the change in the law regarding Vet Techs **being allowed to seek licensure consideration based upon on-the-job experience.**

Correspondence from Tom Whitley, DVM at AAVSB regarding PAVE: Viewed as **informational.**

Correspondence from George T. Mixon, DVM regarding continuing education requirements for license renewal: The Board requested that Dr. Mixon be notified that the board does not have the authority to waive the CE requirements as they are required by law. Dr. Hines made a motion and Dr. Malphus seconded to allow Dr. Mixon to acquire all of his hours on-line.

Correspondence from Emmett Blankenship, DVM regarding practice issues: The Board requested that a response be sent to Dr. Blankenship that he must meet the requirements, laws, rules and regulations of the Florida Board since the practice is in the State of Florida. This issue is not within the Georgia Board's legal jurisdiction.

Correspondence from Stephen J. Hernandez-Divers requesting consideration to grant a personal license restricted to zoological medicine: The Board requested

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that a response be sent to Dr. Hernandez-Divers that the Georgia law does not allow a restricted/limited license and refer him to the rules and law.

Correspondence from Charlotte Ronan and Kathy Hunt at AAVSB regarding Veterinary Technician National Exam Fee Increase: Viewed as **informational**.

Correspondence from R. Bruce Hollett, DVM regarding credit for continuing education courses: The Board requested that a response be sent to Dr. Hollett that UGA is given blanket approval pursuant to Board Rule 700-7-.03, but they must meet the criteria for providers of continuing education programs as outlined in 700-7-.03(d).

HB 999: The new law was effective upon signature by the Governor. Applications for vet tech licensure by experience are available on-line. The Board is considering new rules for the scope of practice for Vet Techs and Vet Assistants. (Rewritten)

Miscellaneous:

- The Board requested that a letter of appreciation be mailed to GVMA Legislative Action Committee, Dr. Lee Myers of the Department of Agriculture and Dr. Eugene Maddox regarding their assistance with HB 999.

Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Hines seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A §43-1-19(h)(2) and §43-1-2(k) to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports, and the Assistant Attorney General's report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Drs. Hill, Malphus, and Mr. Lance. The Board concluded **Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

J.A.Y. – Appeal Board's decision to deny licensure: Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Hill seconded and the Board voted to approve licensure after receiving verification that he has an unrestricted license in North Carolina.

J.M.E. – Vet tech applicant: Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Hill seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the application for licensure.

Gregory Cranford, DVM regarding purchase of vet clinic: The Board requested that a copy of the Minimum Standards Rule be sent to Dr. Cranford and advise him that the Board will not issue advice regarding this matter. Facility inspections are done if a complaint is received regarding facility standards.

F.O.U. – Correspondence from John R. Boyce at NBVME regarding licensee: The Board reviewed the information received and will wait for a response from the NBVME and AASVB before consideration of any action.

D.I.K., DVM – OMPE report: Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Hill seconded and the Board voted to issue a **Private Consent Order**.

S.Y. – Vet Tech applicant: Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr Hines seconded and the Board voted to approve the Plan of Further Study in order to re-take the VTNE exam.

F.O.U. – Correspondence from Beth Sabin, DVM at AVMA regarding licensee: The Board reviewed the information received and will wait for a response from the NBVME and AASVB before consideration of any action.

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REPORTS:

Anita O. Martin, Executive Director's Report:

- Discussed VOM seminars – Viewed as **informational**
- Discussed a letter from Dr. Philip B. Smith – Viewed as **informational**
- Discussed upcoming renewal of licenses. Board requested an audit of 5% of licensees
- Reinstatement Consent Order: Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Hines seconded and the Board voted to accept a **Public Consent Order** to reinstate Mary A. Parnes license.

Needham Bateman, Cognizant Report: Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Hines seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the following recommendations regarding cases reported on by the Cognizant member.

<u>Case #</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
VET060065	To Enforcement for Cease & Desist Order
VET060039	Close with Letter of Concern
VET060048	Close
VET060050	Close

Kathy Harvey, Enforcement Report: Dr. Malphus made a motion, Dr. Hines seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the following recommendations regarding cases reported on by Enforcement, with Dr. Brett and Mr. Lance recusing from vote on VET060046.

<u>Case</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
VET060002	Close
Laurie Deese	Accept Cease & Desist Order & refer to Pharmacy Board
Shawn Dismuke	Accept Cease & Desist Order
Robert Bazemore	Accept Cease & Desist Order

Hugh Hill, Cognizant Report: Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Hines seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the following recommendations regarding cases reported on by the Cognizant member.

<u>Case #</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
VET050056	To AG for Public Consent Order
VET060030	Close
VET060033	Close
VET060036	Close
Laurie Deese	Accept Cease & Desist Order
VET040068	Close with letter of concern
VET050064	Close with letter of concern

Amelia Baker, Board Attorney Report

- Updated on 10 cases in her office

MISCELLANEOUS:

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- Board designated a **Plan of Further Study review committee** of Dr. Hines and Mr. Lance to review Vet Tech plans of further study for candidates needing the exam more than 3 times.
- Inez Lockett of the Exam Unit provided statistical information for the **VTNE** as follows;
 - 2002 – 32 candidates, 29 passed 91% pass rate
 - 2003 – 45 candidates, 45 passed 100% pass rate
 - 2004 – 140 candidates, 114 passed 81% pass rate
 - 2005 – 218 candidates, 125 passed 57% pass rate

The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2006 at 9:30 A.M.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:32 P.M.

Minutes recorded by: Susan S. Hewett, Board Secretary

Minutes edited by: Anita O. Martin, Executive Director

These minutes were approved at the June 14, 2006 Board meeting.