

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
December 12, 2007 Board Meeting

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Veterinary Medicine was held on Wednesday, December 12, 2007, at the Professional Licensing Boards, in Macon Georgia.

The following Board members were present:

Jan Hines, DVM, President
 Becky E. Malphus, DVM
 Needham Bateman, DVM
 Henry Bohn, DVM
 Hugh Hill, DVM
 Charles Lance

Others Present:

Anita O. Martin, Executive Director
 Eva Holmes, Board Secretary
 Amelia Baker, Assistant District Attorney/Board Attorney
 Scott Piper, GVMA

President Hines established that a quorum was present, and the meeting that was scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. was **called to order** at 9:33 a.m.

Minutes from the November 7, 2007 meeting: Dr. Bateman made a motion, Dr. Hill seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the minutes.

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

License Number	Name	License Type
VET007764	Simons, Elizabeth Cheri	Veterinarian
VET007765	Singleton, Lewis, III	Veterinarian
VET007766	Arthur, Jennifer Jeanette	Veterinarian
VET007767	Williams-Holcombe, Angela Leigh	Veterinarian
VET007768	Rossom, Dava Ellen Latoya	Veterinarian
VET007769	Duncan, Andrew John, III	Veterinarian
VET007770	Ealey, Katie A	Veterinarian
VET007771	Taintor, Jennifer Sue	Veterinarian
VET007772	Rosentel, Joseph Kenneth	Veterinarian
VET007773	Hargus, Beverly Kay	Veterinarian
VET007774	Eagleson, Joseph Samuel	Veterinarian
VET007775	Wilkinson, Alyssa Louise	Veterinarian
VET007776	Rivera, Edgardo Rafael	Veterinarian
VET007777	Legerton, Kristy Lee	Veterinarian
VET007778	Magnus, Robert Thomas	Veterinarian
VETF000538	Figueiredo, Juliana Peboni	Veterinary Faculty

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VETF000539	Marancik, David Paul	Veterinary Faculty
VETT000901	Scibelli, Christine Elizabeth	Veterinary Technician
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VET005594	Endrizzi, Michael Joseph	Veterinarian

Revisit acceptance of the PAVE in addition to the ECFVG for foreign graduates -

Board response: Table until February 2008 meeting when a representative from the AAVSB and the AVMA will come to make a presentation on PAVE & ECFVG.

Consideration of a draft Jurispudence Exam -

Board response: The Board voted to add a question concerning radiographs to the Jurispudence Exam and implement it as a part of the application process.

Nominations and Vote for 2008 Officers:

- Dr. Becky Malphus was nominated by Dr. Hugh Hill and seconded by Dr. Needham Bateman for President 2008.
- Dr. Hugh Hill was nominated Dr. Needham Bateman and seconded by Mr. Charles Lance for Vice President 2008.
- Drs. Needham Bateman and Henry Bohn were nominated by Dr. Malphus and seconded by Dr. Hill for the continuing education reviewers for 2008.

The Board voted to accept the nominations as named above.

Miscellaneous

- Scott Piper from the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association presented information as requested by the board. The GVMA is developing a continuing education course on Georgia laws, rules and risk management. The Board will consider a revision to the continuing education rule at the February meeting to make a course of this type be mandatory for continuing education.
- Dr. Hines presented on the meeting with Secretary of State Karen Handel.

Dr. Bateman made a motion, Dr. Malphus 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 Dr. Hill and Mr. Lance. The Board concluded **Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Investigative Interviews –

Dr. M.M. – VET80036

Recommendation: Need additional information

Dr. W.W. – VET070095

Recommendation: Close with no violation

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Dr. G.I. – VET080027

Recommendation: Close with letter of concern re: records must be legible and meet the criteria of the board rules.

Applications:

- **P.S. – Vet Tech applicant –**
 - **Recommendation:** approve
- **R.D.S – Vet Tech applicant –**
 - **Recommendation:** approve
- **W.E.E. – Vet applicant –**
 - **Recommendation:** Schedule applicant meet with the Board and ask that he bring the advocate from his treatment program/AA sponsor.

REPORTS:

Anita O. Martin, Executive Director’s Report

- Presented a letter from complainant on VET080028 -
 - **Recommendation:** The Board upheld their previous decision to close with no violation.
- Discussed animal chiropractic issue.
- Presented a letter from complainant on VET070053 -
 - **Recommendation:** The Board upheld their previous decision to close with no violation.
- The Board requests that the Executive Director inquire about funding for the Vet Tech position and the staff position in order to be able to begin requiring continuing education for Vet Techs. Both portions of the new law to add these requirements are contingent upon the funding.

Cognizant Reports:

<u>Case #</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
VET070016	Tabled
VET070024	Close with a cease & desist letter stating that they cannot advertise under the heading of Veterinary in the phone directory.
VET070039	Tabled
VET070042	Send for Peer Review – If reviewer finds case to be within the standard of acceptable care, close. If not, bring back to cognizant for presentation to the Board.
VET070045	Send for Peer Review – If reviewer finds case to be within the standard of acceptable care, close. If not, bring back to cognizant for presentation to the Board.
VET070047	Close with letter of concern
VET060007	Close with letter of concern re: not maintaining patient records for animals which have been prescribed medications.
VET070075	Send to Attorney General for public consent order - \$1000 fine and 8 hours continuing education in gastroenterology.

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VET070094	Send to Attorney General for public consent order - \$500 fine.
VET080044	Send to investigations to conduct a facility inspection.
VET080043	Close with no violation
VET080037	Close with no violation
VET080034	Close with letter of concern re: client communication.
VET080033	Send to investigations to conduct a facility inspection.
VET080043	Close with letter of concern re: all communications with the client need to be documented in the patient record.
VET080016	Close; Board has received information that this matter is being prosecuted in the State of South Carolina.

Amelia Baker, Board Attorney Report

- Reported on a letter from DEA about Dr. J.T.L. a licensed DVM. The board will open a case on Dr. L. and refer to the Attorney General's office to issue an Order of Mental Physical Evaluation to be arranged/conducted within 10 days of service of the order. The Board also requests for a private agreement not to practice until the board has received the results of the OMPE and made a decision concerning his ability to practice with reasonable safety and skill to the public.
- Reported on the two (2) cases in her office.

Mr. Lance made a motion, Dr. Malphus seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the recommendations made in the Executive Session.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for February 6, 2007 at 9:30 A.M. at the Professional Licensing Boards in Macon, Georgia.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Eva Holmes, Board Secretary

Minutes edited by: Anita O. Martin, Executive Director

These minutes will be approved at the February 6, 2008 Board meeting.