

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
Board Meeting
August 4, 2010
Professional Licensing Boards
237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA
9:35 a.m.

The meeting of the Georgia State Board of Veterinary Medicine was held on Wednesday August 4, 2010, at the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

Members present

Jan Hines, DVM, President
 Hugh Hill, DVM
 Henry Bohn, DVM
 Edsel Davis, DVM
 Beckey Malphus, DVM
 Charles Lance

Others present

Amelia Baker, Board Attorney
 Bruce Hollett, DVM, UGA
 Anita Martin, Executive Director
 Scott Piper, GVMA
 Carol White, Board Support Specialist

Public Rules Hearing 9:30 a.m.

The public hearing for Board Rule 700-7-.03 and Board Rule 700-7-.04 was called to order at 9:44 am.

Public comments were received from Dr. Hollett. The hearing was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Open Session

President Hines established that a quorum was present and the meeting that was scheduled to begin at 9:35 a.m. was called to order at 9:58 a.m.

Approval of minutes from the June 23, 2010 board meeting – Dr. Malphus made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Licenses to ratify – Dr. Hill made a motion to ratify the list of licenses, Dr. Malphus seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

VET008331	Nicholas, Shauna Michelle	Veterinarian
VET008332	Sayre, Loral Ann	Veterinarian
VET008333	Fronczak, Sarah Jane	Veterinarian
VET008334	Boyd, Azalia Marie	Veterinarian
VET008335	Maasen, Meghan Gabrielle	Veterinarian
VET008336	Krothapalli, Mary Katherine	Veterinarian
VET008337	Gouine, Kimberly Christine	Veterinarian

VET008338	Poppy, Tara Erin	Veterinarian
VET008339	Gibson, Elizabeth Jane	Veterinarian
VET008340	Takacs, Aniko Gisele	Veterinarian
VET008341	Boekhout, Christina Lauren	Veterinarian
VET008342	Boozer, Tara Christina	Veterinarian
VET008343	Wisdom, Genevieve Ashley	Veterinarian
VET008344	Steelman-Szymeczek, Sonja Michelle	Veterinarian
VET008345	Card, Justin Mitchell	Veterinarian
VET008346	Baird, Emily Jean	Veterinarian
VET008347	Stanley, Cameron Ray	Veterinarian
VET008348	Clark, Allison Casey	Veterinarian
VET008349	Klewein, Tara Marie	Veterinarian
VET008350	Young, Amy Maline Barnes	Veterinarian
VET008351	Donnell, Allan Dale	Veterinarian
VET008352	Knox, SaraRose C	Veterinarian
VET008353	Mayer, Jennifer Robyn	Veterinarian
VET008354	Howard, April Margaret	Veterinarian
VET008355	Krull, Daniel Pratt	Veterinarian
VET008356	Farrow, Joe Alan	Veterinarian
VET008357	Dubberly, Rachael Dann	Veterinarian
VETF000613	Rosenfield, Johanna Rybier	Veterinary Faculty
VETF000614	Davis, Jennifer Ann	Veterinary Faculty
VETT001170	Courtney, Andrew Carlisle	Veterinary Technician
REINSTATEMENTS		
VET007473	Somers, Elizabeth	Veterinarian

Request from Neal J. Sivula, DVM of the American Academy of Veterinary Acupuncture re: AAVSB's RACE program. The Board reviewed this item as informational. Dr Malphus will provide a copy of this letter to the American Association of Veterinary State Boards,(AAVSB). Staff will notify Dr. Sivula that if his organization wants CE credit in Georgia, they will need to apply for the CE approval.

Rule Waiver Request from Manual Guillermo Gomez re: Board Rule 700-6—01.2(c) & (3). Dr. Hill made a motion to approve. Dr. Malphus seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from the July 27, 2010 Conference Call Board meeting. Dr. Malphus made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Consideration to adopt Board Rule 700-7-.03 Continuing Veterinary Education and Board Rule 700-7-.04 – Veterinary Technician Education. Dr. Malphus made a motion to adopt Board Rule 700-7-.03 and Board Rule 700-7-.04. Dr. Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Executive Director's Open Session – Ms. Anita Martin

- Ms. Martin stated that renewal for this license population is at the end of this year, 2010.
- Discussion of Georgia Veterinary Medical Association (GVMA) trade-marking of the term "LEAP"

- Ms. Baker advised that she has concern that the GVMA's listing of Dr. Malphus as the provider of the program may give the impression that the GVMA program is endorsed by the Veterinary Board.
- Mr. Lance requested that Ms. Martin contact GVMA and ask their stance on this matter; what was the purpose of this trademark process?
- Ms. Martin advised that the information was "borrowed" from the Georgia Dental Association who has been using the term for years.
- Ms. Martin will remove policy #6 from the Veterinary website and notify the Veterinary Technical Schools that the law requires applicants to be graduates before they can sit for the VTNE.
- Ms. Martin provided a letter received from Dr. Alex Helmi regarding his practice in Brunswick, Georgia. Dr. Malphus made a motion to notify Dr. Helmi that he is not approved as Dr. Stobaesus's supervising veterinarian and Dr. Stobaesus cannot practice veterinary medicine at this time. Dr. Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Attorney General's Open Session – Ms. Amelia Baker

- Ms. Baker presented to the Board for acceptance a signed Second Public Consent Order that amended the Final Decision on Anji R. Bodana, DVM.
- Ms. Baker presented to the Board for acceptance a copy of the signed Public Indefinite Suspension Consent Order to be accepted upon receipt on Jim Lewis, DVM.

Miscellaneous

- Dr. Hines asked about the processing timeframes. Ms. Martin advised on processing timeframes/issues and what the agency has in plan to prevent a backlog again.
- Dr. Hines asked board members to encourage new graduates to submit their applications as early as possible once they have graduated.
- Dr. Hines shared with the Board about the Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates observation on September 14-16, 2010 at Mississippi State University. Dr. Hines further encouraged any board member interested in attending to let him know.
- Dr. Hollett stated that the University of Georgia was contacted by Georgia Veterinary Medical Association (GVMA) that it had trademarked the term "LEAP."
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Executive Session

Dr. Hill made a motion, Mr. Lance 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 was Dr. Malphus, Dr. Bohn and Dr. Davis.

Appointment – 1:00 p.m. – B.M.M. – Denied Veterinarian Applicant – Dr. Malphus made a motion to approve. Dr. Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Applications

1. A.D. – Dr. Bohn made a motion to approve for one (1) additional examination attempt only. Mr. Lance seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
2. D.S. – Dr. Malphus made a motion to approve. Mr. Lance seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
3. M.S. – Mr. Lance made a motion to approve for one (1) additional examination attempt only. Dr. Bohn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
4. G.D.P. – Dr. Maphus made a motion to approve for applicant to sit for examination and to schedule for an interview with the Board for the October 2010 Board meeting. Request that the applicant bring a copy of the final disposition on the criminal case with a letter from applicant's probation officer. Mr. Lance seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
5. J.C. – Veterinarian Applicant – Dr. Bohn made a motion to approve. Mr. Lance seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
6. W.G. – Veterinarian Applicant – Dr. Bohn made a motion to approve. Dr. Hill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
7. M.C.G. – Veterinary Technician Applicant – Dr. Bohn made a motion to approve. Mr. Lance seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Investigative Committee Report – Drs. Davis and Malphus

VET080087 – Refer to the AG's office for a Second Public Consent Order.

VET100015 - Schedule for Investigative Interview.

VET100064 - Close with strong Letter of Concern.

VET100070 – Refer to AG's office for a Second Private Consent Order.

VET100091 – Refer case for a Peer Review.

VET100098 - Schedule for Investigative Interview.

VET100100 – Close Case.

VET100101 - Close with a strong Letter of Concern.

VET100103 – Refer case for a Peer Review on Dr. H.

VET100103 – Close with a Letter of Concern to Dr. P.

VET100109 - Close with Letter of Concern.

VET100112 - Close with Letter of Concern.

VET100113 - Close with Letter of Concern.

VET100115 - Schedule for Investigative Interview.

VET100116 – Ms. Martin will write a letter to USDA expressing concern.

VET100118 – Schedule for Investigative Interview.

VET100119 – Refer for Peer Review.

VET100121 – Close with Letter of Concern.

VET100123 – Accept a Cease and Desist on Stormy Vincent.

VET100130 – Schedule for Investigative Interview.

VET100131 – Close with a Letter of Concern.

Dr. Hill made a motion, Mr. Lance seconded and the Board voted to approve the recommendations made from the Investigative Committee.

Attorney General's Report – Ms. Amelia Baker

- Ms. Baker updated the Board on the status of cases in her office.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 6, 2010 at the Professional Licensing Boards in Macon, GA.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Carol White, Board Secretary

Minutes edited by Anita O. Martin, Executive Director