

**Georgia Board of Veterinary Medicine
Investigative Committee Meeting
237 Coliseum Drive Room 150
Macon, Georgia 31217
Tuesday, February 19, 2019 - 9:30 a.m.**

Members Present:

Dr. Larry R. Corry, DVM
Dr. Beckey Malphus, DVM

Staff Present:

Adrienne D. Price, Executive Director
Kimberly Candler, Complaints & Compliance Analyst

Attorney General Office:

Betsy Cohen, Sr. Assistant Attorney General

Open Session

The Investigative Committee of the Georgia Board of Veterinary Medicine met on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia, 31217. The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. Dr. Larry R. Corry, DVM made the motion to enter into Executive Session and Dr. Beckey Malphus, DVM seconded the motion for the purpose of discussing investigative cases and to conduct investigative interviews as authorized by O.C.G.A. Sections 43-1-2(h) and 43-11-47(h). The motion carried unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session, Dr. Corry declared the meeting open pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §50-14-1 et seq. and The Investigative Committee entered a unanimous vote to present the recommendations to the Board as indicated below.

Investigative Interviews:

Recommendations:

VET180060

Close with a letter of concern regarding client communication. It is recommended that the respondent provide clear and concise discharge instructions and ensure that patients are fully recovered prior to dismissal.

VET180066

Close the case.

VET190007

Table and issue a mitigating circumstances letter to include completion of 2 hours of in person Continuing Education in the area of surgery and post-operative pain management or pharmacology. Hours may not be used towards future renewal requirements.

VET190026

Close with a letter of concern regarding assessment. It is recommended that the respondent conduct a thorough review of diagnostic test results, such as radiographs and ensure adequate supervision of veterinary support staff and any prescriptions generated in response to the respondent's orders.

VET190021

Close with a letter of concern regarding documentation as it relates to surgical patients. It is recommended that

the respondent provide surgical patients with a well-documented treatment plan to include an exam, and pre and post-surgical medications. Prescriptions labels should be accessible via computer with a duplicate copy entered into the medical record and the medical records should reflect consistent use of examination stickers and tools.

Discussion Cases:

Recommendations:

VET170025

Referral to the Attorney General's Office for a Notice of Hearing with the following sanctions, Public Consent Order for Renewal of License with a fine in the amount of \$500 to be paid within 90 days of docketing the Order for failure to disclose action in another jurisdiction.

VET180024

Close the case.

VET180041

Refer case for an expedited Peer Review.

VET180065

Table pending CE recommendation.

VET190011

Send written notification to the applicant for renewal that treatment records must be received prior to March 31, 2019. Failure to provide documentation will result in the denial of the license renewal application for failure to meet the requirements of renewal.

VET190012

Close the case with a recommendation to offer client owner a 3rd party necropsy in similar cases in the future.

VET190019

Schedule Investigative Interview.

VET190032

Close the case.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session, Dr. Corry declared the meeting open pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.

Minutes Recorded by:
Minutes Reviewed and edited by:
Minutes Approved:

Kim Candler, Licensing Analyst
Adrienne D. Price, Executive Director
February 20, 2019

Dr. Larry R. Corry, DVM
Investigative Committee Chairman

Adrienne D. Price
Executive Director