



# The Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board

77 South High Street, 16th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-6108



## MEETING MINUTES August 11, 2010

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- **Call to Order:**

Dr. James Hearst, President of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board called the August 11, 2010 meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. in the Board room located at 77 South High Street, 31<sup>st</sup> Floor, Columbus, Ohio.

- **Roll Call:**

Renee Jessen, RVT	present
Dr. Paul Stull, DVM	present
Dr. Timothy Kolb, DVM	present
Dr. Roger Redman, DVM	present
Dr. Lisa Mach, DVM	present
Dr. James Hearst, DVM	present

- **Acknowledge Staff, AAG & Guests:**

Dr. Hearst acknowledged the attendance of Theresa Stir, Executive Director, Angela Mann, Licensure Coordinator taking minutes for the Board and Barry McKew, Assistant Attorney General.

- **July 2010 Minutes Approved:**

Dr. Kolb moved to approve the July board meeting minutes as written. Dr. Redman seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

- **President's Report:**

Dr. Hearst shared a letter that was received from Mary Mower, DVM, recipient of the Veterinary Student Loan Repayment program for 2008 and 2009. She expressed her appreciation and gratitude for the reimbursement that was awarded.

- **Secretary's Report:**

There was no report from the Secretary.

- **OVMA Liaison:**

There was no report from the OVMA liaison.

- **OAVT Liaison:**

There was no report from the OAVT liaison.

- **Executive Director Report:**

Directives – Ms. Stir stated that the July Board meeting directives have been completed.

Rules – Ms. Stir stated that she needs a motion to final file Rules 4741-1-14 and 4741-4-01 through 05. Dr. Mach moved to approve the Rules as written and file with JCARR. Dr. Kolb seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

Legislative – The Board received materials from Jack Advent, Executive Director of OVMA, in response to the Board’s request for other states’ dealings with euthanasia technicians. Mr. Advent is seeking approval from the Board regarding the potential legislative changes to ORC 4729.531 related to permitting euthanasia technicians at animal shelters to sedate animals prior to euthanization. The potential law change will also place the certification and regulation of euthanasia technicians under the authority of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board. The Board acknowledged the proposal and did not have concerns at this time.

Governor Appointments – There has not yet been an appointment made to the Board to fill the consumer position. Ms. Stir reminded the Board that Dr. Hearst and Dr. Redman’s terms expire in December of this year. She recommends that if they wish to be re-appointed that they begin the process in September or before and contact the OVMA for letters of support.

Ms. Stir told the Board that she will be on vacation August 27 through September 7, 2010.

Ms. Stir shared with the Board an Algorithm that she received from a Board of Nursing “Just Culture” summit that she attended. Although it deals with human issues she felt that it could benefit veterinarians as well as it relates to medical practice and system errors.

- **FYI:**

The Board acknowledged the following without comment:

A. AAVSB – Veterinary Regulation News: July 2010

- **Requests for Licensure:**

A. Veterinarians (addendum 1) – Ms. Jessen moved to approve the following requests for veterinarian licenses:

Brian L. Williams, DVM; Andrew J. Roth, DVM; Dawn M. Webber, DVM; Eric J. Miller, DVM; Holly Jo Peters, DVM; Mark A. Doty, II, DVM; Amber L. Labelle, DVM; Hazel I. Sebens, DVM; Alice M. Toriello, DVM; Craig R. Galloway, DVM; Damian M. Giancola, DVM; Crystal D. Decker, DVM; Meghan E. Swinkey, DVM; Maria M. Glowaski, DVM; Natasha V. Olan, DVM; Kathleen E. Collins, DVM; Sara J. Irom, DVM; Neil K. DeBuse, DVM; Gwen H. Sila, DVM; Lisa Zweibel Martin, DVM; Robert B. Martin, DVM; Fatima S. Wazir, DVM.

Dr. Redman seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

B. Registered Veterinary Technicians (addendum 2) – Ms. Jessen moved to approve the following requests for registered veterinary technician licenses:

Heather L. Blevins, RVT; Alysha M. Roszak, RVT; Diedre V. Kraska, RVT; Rebecca R. Honigman, RVT; Michelle A. Watkins, RVT; Amber L. Dostal, RVT; Sarah E. Arthur, RVT; Tracy L. Cady, RVT; Sharon S. Thatcher, RVT; Brenda M. Wilson, RVT; Robert E. Nigro, RVT.

Dr. Redman seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

C. Limited & Limited Resident Licenses (addendum 3) - Ms. Jessen moved to approve the following requests for limited licenses:

Beth K. Chaffee, DVM; Shiori Arai, DVM (resident); Keith A. Blass, DVM (resident); Joelle M. Fenger, DVM (resident); Kerrie A. Lewis, DVM (resident); Alexis K. McMurray, DVM (resident); Christine M. Pariseau, DVM (resident); John H. Pigott, DVM (resident); Lauren C. Pugliese, DVM (resident); Victoria Scott, DVM (resident); Daniela Vrabelova, DVM (resident); Samantha M. Hmelo, DVM (resident); Roberta F. Portela, DVM (resident); Sandra M. Barnard, DVM; Yolanda A. Markley, DVM (resident).

Dr. Redman seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

D. Specialty Certificates (addendum 4) – Ms. Jessen moved to approve the following requests for specialty certificates.

Todd W. Axlund, DVM, Specialty of Neurology.

Dr. Redman seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

- E. The Board reviewed an application for a Registered Veterinary Technician Certificate in which the applicant indicated that he/she had a previous conviction involving moral turpitude. Ms. Jessen moved to approve the application. Dr. Redman seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

Dr. Redman moved to go into Executive Session at 8:47 a.m. to discuss pending legal matters and Investigative Reports. Ms. Jessen seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

Dr. Hearst announced the Board meeting back in public session at 9:44 a.m.

- **Assistant Attorney General Reports:**

- A. A.W. Burger, DVM – Dr. Redman moved to accept the Findings of Fact, the Conclusions of Law and accept the Hearing Officer's recommendation to not renew Dr. Burger's veterinary license. Dr. Kolb seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

- **Investigative Reports:**

- A. 09-10-120, complainant Judith Virtue – [Ms. Jessen left the room prior to discussing this case] Dr. Redman moved to issue separate Notices of Opportunity for a Hearing to the supervising veterinarian and the RVT with specified violations of the veterinary practice act. Dr. Mach seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-abstain, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.
- B. 10-10-039, complainant Branka Zekanovic – [Dr. Mach left the room prior to discussing this case] Dr. Redman moved to issue a Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing. Ms. Jessen seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-abstain.

- **New Complaints (no responses yet requested):**

- A. 10-11-062, complainant Anonymous via EPA – Dr. Mach moved to send the case to investigation. Ms. Jessen seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.
- B. 10-11-068, complainant RVT at Facility – Dr. Redman moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Mach seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.
- C. 10-11-072, complainant Anonymous – Dr. Mach moved to send a Cease and Desist letter and refer the case to the Pharmacy Board. Dr. Redman seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

- **Complaint Responses Received:**

- A. 10-10-051, complainant Nicole Dawson – [Dr. Redman left the room prior to discussing this case] After review of the X-rays, Dr. Mach moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Kolb seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-abstain, Dr. Mach-aye.
- B. 10-10-052, complainant Lee Nielsen – After review of the X-rays, Dr. Kolb moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Ms. Jessen seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.
- C. 10-10-059, complainant Karen Medors – Dr. Mach moved to issue a Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing. Dr. Redman seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-abstain, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

Dr. Redman moved to go into Executive Session at 10:13 a.m. to discuss case 10-10-059. Ms. Jessen seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

Dr. Hearst announced the Board meeting back in public session at 10:19 a.m.

- D. 10-11-063, complainant Stanley & JoAnn Bowen – Ms. Jessen moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Mach seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.
- E. 10-11-064 – complainant Debra Miller – Dr. Redman moved to issue an advisory letter regarding medical records. Ms. Jessen seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.
- F. 10-11-065, complainant Mary Sindledecker – Dr. Redman moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. Dr. Kolb seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.
- G. 10-11-069, complainant Judy Hafley – Dr. Kolb moved to send an advisory letter regarding office procedures. Dr. Redman seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

- **Request for Reconsideration:**

- A. 10-10-001, complainant Anonymous – Dr. Mach moved to deny the request for reconsideration. Ms. Jessen seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

[Break: 10:33 – 10:41 a.m.]

- **Continuing Education Requests - Veterinarians**

Dr. Mach moved to approve the following continuing education requests for veterinarians as follows:

- A. American Academy of Veterinary Pharmacology & Therapeutics (AAVPT) – 2010 Workshop: 6/27/10-6/30/10 = 23 hours
- B. Charles River – Leadership 101 Workshop: 7/13/10 & 7/14/10 = Non-scientific
- C. Association of Ohio Health Commissioners, Inc. – 2010 Fall Conference: 9/20/10-9/22/10 = 13 hours

Ms. Jessen seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

- **Continuing Education Requests – RVT’s – NONE**
- **Continuing Education Requests – Veterinarians and RVT’s:**

Dr. Mach moved to approve the following continuing education requests for veterinarians and registered veterinary technicians as follows:

- A. Pfizer Animal Health –
  - 1.) Demonstration of Analgesic Techniques & Sedation/Anesthetic Protocols: 7/8/10 = 2.5 hours
  - 2.) Pain Management: Physiologic & Pharmacologic Considerations: 7/7/10 & 7/8/10 = 2 hours
- B. Central Ohio Hospice Center & K9 Physical Rehabilitation – Physical Rehab Benefits: 7/29/10 = 1 hour

Ms. Jessen seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

- **Correspondence Received:**

- A. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Neal Sivula, President of the American Academy of Veterinary Acupuncture (AAVA), regarding the RACE approval process.

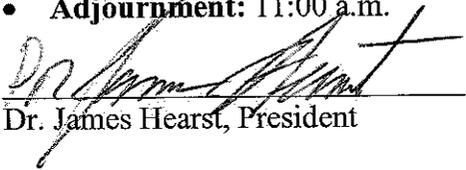
Dr. Redman moved to go into Executive Session at 10:45 a.m. to discuss the Executive Director’s Evaluation. Ms. Jessen seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-aye, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.

Dr. Hearst announced the Board meeting back in public session at 11:00 a.m.

- **Old Business:** NONE
- **New Business:** NONE
- **Next Board Meeting:**

Dr. Hearst acknowledged that the next Board meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2010, 8:30 a.m. in the Board room located at 77 South High Street, 31<sup>st</sup> Floor, Columbus, Ohio.

- **Adjournment:** 11:00 a.m.

  
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Dr. James Hearst, President

9/8/10  
Date

Attested to by:

  
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Theresa Stir, Esq.  
Executive Director