



# The Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board

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



## MEETING MINUTES September 8, 2010

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- **Call to Order:**

Dr. James Hearst, President of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board called the September 8, 2010 meeting to order at 8:33 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	absent (arrived at 8:34 a.m.)
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.

- **August 2010 Minutes Approved:**

Ms. Jessen moved to approve the August board meeting minutes as written. 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.

- **President's Report:**

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Dr. Hearst attended the Indiana State Fair. He purchased a newspaper and found it interesting to see on the front page was an article regarding veal raising practices. He brought the paper to the meeting to share with the Board.

- **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 August Board meeting directives have been completed.

Ms. Stir distributed to the Board the Inspector General’s letter to Beth Sheehan who filed a complaint with the Office of the Inspector General regarding the information that she received in response to her public records request. Ms. Sheehan made a public records request in a format that was not able to be performed. Ms. Stir explained that the information that Ms. Sheehan requested can not be obtained with the system that the Board utilizes. Ms. Stir provided her with the information that was accessible.

Fiscal – Ms. Stir explained that that Board is to prepare a budget as funded at the FY11 amount (\$319,407) due November 1, 2010 to OBM.

Ms. Stir said that she will be drafting a proposal for 2013 for two new desktop printers. The printers currently being used are over 10 years old.

Ms. Stir explained that payroll will be affected in 2012. Currently personal time and step increases are on a freeze but in 2012, employees are supposed to receive a lump sum which will come out of the Board’s budget.

Newsletter – Ms. Stir provided the Board with a draft copy of the OVMLB newsletter. She stated that she is open to any suggestions for articles or author volunteers. Ms. Stir explained that the newsletter needs to be kept to a one-page front-to-back format due to printing costs. She also stated that given the budget outlook, this may be the last year that the Board can afford to mail the newsletter, however it will be posted on the web site and we are considering creating a listserv for distribution of the newsletter.

2011 Board Meeting Dates – Ms. Stir stated that the Board needs to set the meeting dates for 2011 and they typically meet the second Wednesday of each month. She suggested that the Board schedule eleven (11) meetings for 2011 for budget reasons. The Board decided to meet the second Wednesday of each month for the exception of February. There will not be a Board meeting in February 2011.

Summary Disposition of Cases – Ms. Stir provided the Board with a spreadsheet of the disposition of cases through FY10. The Board had 124 complaints in FY10. Of those cases, seven (7) are still waiting for disposition (i.e. in varying stages of settlement, investigation, etc.). The variance in final disposition of a case depended on whether there was an investigation, Notice issued, settlement agreement to negotiate, etc.

Governor Appointments – Ms. Stir reminded the Board that Dr. Hearst and Dr. Redman’s terms expire on December 30, 2010. They both stated that they would like to be reappointed. The Board will send letters of support for the reappointment of Dr. Hearst and Dr. Redman . In addition, there has not yet been an appointment made to the Board to fill the consumer position.

- **FYI:**

The Board acknowledged the following without comment:

- A. Information regarding a Medical Ethics and Professional Course
- B. Memo from the AAVSB regarding 2010 Nominating Committee Report
- C. Memo from the AAVSB regarding RACE program update.

- **Requests for Licensure:**

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

Eric W. Irvin, DVM; Michael A. Della Rippa, DVM; Sarah J. Hensley, DVM; Teena L. Waltman, DVM; Rachel M. Teribury, DVM; Leia M. Goodell, DVM; Page T. Gordon, DVM; David J. Hargarten, DVM; Jessica E. Steed, DVM; Kara LR Ringenbach, 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:

Audra L. Hanthorn, RVT; Jodi L. Eyring, RVT; Sandra L. Wilson, RVT; Andrea C. Webster, RVT; Gina M. Allen, RVT; Kellie P. Vido, RVT; Monica L. Lallo, RVT; Lindsey M. Ransom, RVT; Crystal L. Daugherty, RVT; Matthew J. Cember, RVT; Marissa M. Kall, RVT; Mary F. Zak, RVT; Carrie R. Richards, RVT; Courtney A. McFarlen, RVT; Amanda C. Bennett, RVT; Rebecca A. Nartker, RVT; Samantha J. Snider, RVT; Kindra L. Mesenbring, RVT; Jennifer N. Green, RVT; Tessa R. O’Brien, RVT; Megan D. Scott, RVT; Brett J. Bruce, RVT; Melissa N. Pottenger, RVT; April J. Nagle, RVT; Shannon L. Bray, RVT; Kathryn E. Alger, RVT; Stacey L. Burkholder, RVT; Ericka N. Bennett, RVT; Whitney L. Hinton, RVT; Julia K. Harris, 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:

Tsuyoshi Murakami, 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.

- **Consideration Of:**

The Board acknowledged the following Notices of Opportunity for a Hearing:

- A. 09-10-120, Roger Spiess, DVM
- B. 09-10-120, Christopher Maier, RVT
- C. 10-10-026, Bharat K. Khemsara, DVM
- D. 10-10-039, Susan Metz, DVM
- E. 10-10-059, Herbert Topp, DVM

The Board acknowledged the following Hearings Scheduled:

- A. 09-10-120, Roger Spiess, DVM
- B. 09-10-120, Christopher Maier, RVT

Ms. Jessen moved to go into Executive Session at 8:56 a.m. to discuss pending legal matters. 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. Hearst announced the Board meeting back in public session at 9:18 a.m.

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

- A. 10-11-078, complainant Maureen Kendel – 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.
- B. 10-11-081, complainant Fort Shawnee Police Department – 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.

- **Complaint Responses Received:**

- A. 10-11-066, complainant Jeffery Poe & 10-11-077, complainant Laura Gehlmann – [Dr. Redman left the room prior to discussing this case] Dr. Kolb moved to send an advisory letter regarding medical records and a referral to the OVMA Peer Review Committee. 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-abstain, Dr. Mach-aye.
- B. 10-11-067, complainant James Esposito – After review of the X-rays, Dr. Redman moved to send an advisory letter regarding medical records. 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.
- C. 10-11-070, complainant E. Lynn Hannah & Jennifer Sunberg – Ms. Jessen moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC. 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.

- D. 10-11-071, complainant Elizabeth Allen – [Dr. Kolb 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-abstain, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.
- E. 10-11-073, complainant Mary Cifalde – Dr. Mach moved to find no violation of Chapter 4741 ORC but directed Ms. Stir to provide the veterinarian with a letter to review the state law that they refer to on their veterinary forms. 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. 10-11-074, complainant Polly Dykstra – Dr. Redman moved to issue a Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing. 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.
- G. 10-11-075, complainant Joe Stuber – After review of the X-rays, Dr. Mach moved to issue a Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing. Dr. Kolb seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Ms. Jessen-aye, Dr. Stull-aye, Dr. Kolb-abstain, Dr. Redman-aye, Dr. Mach-aye.
- H. 10-11-076, complainant Shelley Clapper – Dr. Mach moved to issue a letter to Dr. A stating his/her license is expired and refer the case to the county Prosecutor. 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. 09-10-122, complainant Jill Connone – Ms. Jessen moved to deny the request for reconsideration. 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.

[Break: 10:34 – 10:45 a.m.]

- **Continuing Education Requests - Veterinarians**

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

- A. Ohio Veterinary Dental Service –
  - 1.) Local blocks, pain management, dental equipment, anesthesia monitoring: 11/7/10 = 6 hours
  - 2.) Surgical Extraction Lab - Canines & Incisors: 12/5/10 = 6 hours
  - 3.) Surgical Extraction Lab – Premolars & Molars: 1/9/11 = 6 hours
- B. Intervet/Schering Plough Animal Health –

- 1.) Colostrum Management, BRD in Dairy Cattle -- Raising Quality Replacements: 9/23/10 = 6 hours
- 2.) New Technologies & Techniques in Equine Veterinary Medicine: 11/15/10 = 2 hours
- C. Ohio Department of Agriculture --
  - 1.) Ohio CWD Program Training: 10/20/10 = 4 hours
  - 2.) Emergency Response Tabletop Exercise & FMD Outbreak: 7/26/10 = 5 hours
- D. Ohio Dairy Veterinarians -- 2011 Meeting: 1/7/11 = 8 hours
- E. MedVet Associates --
  - 1.) Natural Orifice Transluminal Endoscopic Surgery: 7/14/10 = 1 hour
  - 2.) IDEXX Molecular Diagnostics: 7/28/10 = 1 hour
  - 3.) Palliative Radiation Therapy: 8/11/10 = 1 hour
  - 4.) Liver Symposium: 8/15/10 = 4 hours
  - 5.) Advances in Small Animal Surgery: 8/22/10 = 4 hours
  - 6.) Surgery Round Table: 8/23/10 = 2 hours
  - 7.) Hemoperitoneum: 8/25/10 = 1 hour
  - 8.) Dogs Really Do Have Strokes: 8/26/10 = 1 hour
- F. Pfizer Animal Health -- Area 42 Next Generation: 10/15/10 & 10/16/10 = 8 hours
- G. Metropolitan Veterinary Hospital -- 2010 Fall Conference: 9/26/10 = hour for 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.

• **Continuing Education Requests -- RVT's:**

- A. Cincinnati Veterinary Technicians Association -- Osteosarcoma & Limb Sparing Options: 9/21/2010 = 2 hours
- B. MedVet Associates --
  - 1.) Anesthesia -- A focus on Equipment: 7/22/10 = 1 hour
  - 2.) Gastrointestinal Surgery: 9/15/10 = 1 hour

• **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. Ohio Veterinary Dental Service --
  - 1.) Marketing Dentistry for Profit: 10/10/10 = Non-scientific
  - 2.) A Thorough Teeth Cleaning: 10/10/10 = 6 hours
- B. Central Ohio Hospice Care Center & K9 Physical Rehabilitation -- Establishing a Hospice Care Program in your Clinic: 8/27/10 = 2 hours

- C. Lima Area Academy of Small Animal Medicine – What Can You do for Your Cancer Patient and His/Her Family: 5/11/10 = 1.5 hours
- D. Glencoe Animal Hospital – Canine & Feline Heartworm Disease: Compare & Contrast: 6/28/10 = 2 hours
- E. CVC CE Where & When You Want It, San Diego – 2010 CVC Convention: 11/4/10-11/7/10 = Hour for Hour
- F. Animal Clinic Northview, Inc. – 2011 Breeders Symposium: 1/29/11 = 7 hours
- G. Ohio Dairy Veterinarians – Wet Lab: 1/6/11 = 4 hours
- H. Eastern Ohio Veterinary Medical Association – It’s True Cats Have Hearst Too!: 9/8/10 = 1.5 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.

- **Correspondence Received:**

- A. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Mary C. Mehler, DVM, graduate from St. George’s University regarding obtaining an Ohio license without completing the ECFVG program. The Board stated that Ohio law does not recognize St. George’s University as an AVMA approved college and those graduates must complete the ECFVG program to become licensed in the State of Ohio.
- B. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Lonnie L. Davis, DVM, asking if he can legally post a survey showing data from a selected group of Orthopedic Foundation for Animal (O.F.A.) hip evaluation clients. The Board stated that there was nothing that they could see that would violate the Veterinary Medical Practice Act.
- C. The Board reviewed correspondence received from William A. Rogers, DVM, seeking guidance regarding the legality of establishing a skilled nursing unit, owned and operated by a veterinarian to provide services to pet owners. The Board directed Ms. Stir to provide Dr. Rogers with a copy of the Laws and Rules and explain that he must comply with the Practice Act.

Dr. Redman moved to go into Executive Session at 10:50 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. Ms. Stir and Ms. Mann left the room.

Dr. Hearst announced the Board meeting back in public session at 10:54 a.m.

- **Old Business:**

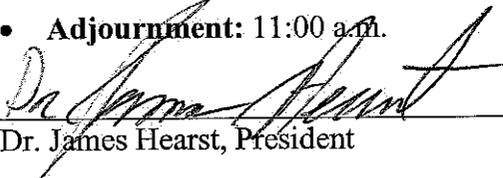
A. Executive Director's Evaluation – Dr. Hearst stated that the Board discussed Ms. Stir's evaluation and gave her high remarks, stating that Ms. Stir is a great Executive Director and a huge asset to the Ohio Veterinary Medical Licensing Board. They appreciate her guidance and overall work ethics.

- **New Business:** NONE

- **Next Board Meeting:**

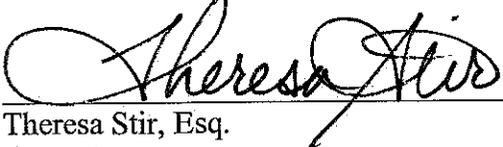
Dr. Hearst acknowledged that the next Board meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2010, 8:30 a.m. in the Board room located at 77 South High Street, 31<sup>st</sup> Floor, Columbus, Ohio.

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

  
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Dr. James Hearst, President

10/13/10  
Date

Attested to by:

  
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Theresa Stir, Esq.  
Executive Director

