

**VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS
JANUARY 18, 2006 PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
SUSSEX ROOM**

A. CALL TO ORDER

This scheduled meeting of the Board was called to order at 9:40 a.m. in the Sussex Conference Room, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

B. ROLL CALL

The following Board Members were present for this meeting:

Board President Alfred Scerni, Esq.
Board Vice President Mark Logan, V.M.D
Board Member Barry M. Adler, D.V.M.
Board Member Christopher P. Laffoon, V.M.D.
Board Member Nancy E. Halpern, D.V.M.
Board Member Marc A. Rosenberg, V.M.D.
Board Member Jeffrey Warsh, Esq.

Absent: Board Member Daniel Keenan, D.V.M.
Nancy E. Halpern, D.V.M. Half-Day

Staff present: Executive Director Leslie G. Aronson
Deputy Attorney General Olga Bradford
Isaura Roman, Secretarial Assistant

Public present: Steven Hornstein, D.V.M. Liaison from the New Jersey Veterinary Medical Association.

A quorum was present for the entire meeting.
The meeting was presided over by Alfred Scerni, Esq.

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mailing to the Office of the Secretary of State, the Star Ledger, the Trenton Times, the Bergen Record and the Courier Post.

C. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC MINUTES

On a motion of Dr. Halpern, seconded by Dr. Laffoon, November 30, 2006 Public Session Minutes were approved. Mr. Warsh abstained from the vote. All others in favor.

D. WELCOME TO NEW BOARD MEMBER

Board Chair Scerni welcomed our new public member Mr. Jeffrey Warsh to the Board.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Steven Hornstein welcomed our new public member Mr. Jeffrey Warsh to the Board.

F. AVMA MATERIAL

1. Memo Re: FYI Accreditation of the University of Sydney Faculty of Veterinary Science

The Board reviewed the memo from the University of Sydney Faculty of Veterinary Science and accepted it as informational.

2. Memo Re: 4th Quarterly Disciplinary Report 10/01/05-12/31/-05 and Annual Report for 1/1/-12/31/05

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3. Memo Re: Veterinary Technician Standard

The Board reviewed the memo from the Veterinary Technician Standard and accepted it as informational.

G. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

1. Assembly Bill #3743 Limits periods for reimbursement from providers for overpayment on health care claims to 18 months

The Board reviewed Bill #3743 and feels that this bill is not necessary. Dr. Logan, the Board's liaison to the legislative unit will re-review the bill, forward a draft with his comments to the Board and then forward to Executive Director Aronson for final presentation to the legislative unit.

H. ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Report by Executive Director Aronson

Executive Director Aronson reported that 118 candidates took the JP/ State Examination on October 21, 2005 and that 114 passed, 4 failed.

I. CREDENTIALING/APPLICATION REVIEW

1. Deborah Marie Ward, D.V.M. - JP/State Exam

On a motion of Dr. Adler and seconded by Dr. Rosenberg the Board voted to approve Dr. Ward' to sit for the next JP/State Exam. All in favor. Mr. Warsh abstained from the vote.

2. Joanne Tetens-Woodring, D.V.M.

On a motion of Dr. Adler and seconded by Dr. Rosenberg the Board voted to approve Dr. Tetens-Woodring to sit for the next JP/State Exam. All in favor. Mr. Warsh abstained from the vote.

J. REPORT BY PATIENT RECORDS COMMITTEE/

Including a new memo from Chuck Manning, Regulatory Analyst, Old and new memo from the Patient Records Committee, and a copy of a letter from Richard Alampi, NJVMA (previously reviewed by the Board).

On a motion of Dr. Halpern and seconded by Dr. Laffoon the Board members voting in favor of tabling the discussion were Drs. Halpern, Laffoon and Adler, the Board members opposed to the motion were Mr. Scerni, Mr. Warsh and Dr. Rosenberg, the motion did not carry. Since the motion did not the Board had a brief discussion highlighting major issues pertaining to patient records. The Board determined that the patient records committee will meet and present their recommendations at the March 29th 2006 Board meeting.

K. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Letter form Jonathan Rudinger, IAAMB

The Board reviewed the letter from Jonathan Rudinger and determined that Executive Leslie G. Aronson should

sent a letter explaining that animal massage is not acceptable in New Jersey that only Licensed Veterinarian are allowed to perform massages on animals.

L. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is February 15, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sussex Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board unanimously moved to executive session to consider new consumer complaints and new and pending disciplinary matters.

N. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting of the Board was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE G. ARONSON
Executive Director