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## **VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS MARCH 09, 2011 PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES SUSSEX ROOM**

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### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

This scheduled meeting of the Board was called to order at 9:55 a.m. in the Sussex Conference Room, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

### **ROLL CALL**

The following Board Members were present for this meeting:

Board President Mark Logan, V.M.D.  
Board Member Marc A. Rosenberg, V.M.D.  
Board Member Barry M. Adler, D.V.M.  
Board Member Jaimee Gilmartin  
Board Member Eileen Thornton

Staff present: Leslie G. Aronson, Executive Director  
Isaura Roman, Secretary to the Executive Director  
Deputy Attorney General Olga E. Bradford

Absent: Board Member Nancy Halpern, D.V.M.  
Board Member Vice President Christopher P. Laffoon, V.M.D.

Public present: None

A quorum was present for the entire meeting.

The meeting was presided over by Dr. Mark Logan

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 and the Atlantic City Press.

**B. APPROVAL OF PUBLIC MINUTES**

On a motion made by Ms. Gilmartin, and seconded by Dr. Rosenberg, the February 9, 2011 public minutes were approved as amended. All in favor.

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT**

(None)

**D. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY/REGULATORY ANALYST CHUCK MANNING**

Continuing Education regulations; N.J.A.C. 13:44-4.10:

The Board discussed a proposal to amend its continuing education regulations in light of Public Law 2010, Chapter 89, which was recently signed into law by the Governor. This new law permits veterinarians to earn continuing education credits by providing certain free veterinary services. Charles A. Manning, Regulatory Analyst, was in attendance and led the discussion in this proposal. The Board, following its consideration of the proposal, voted to propose amended language as well as new language to N.J.A.C. 13:44-4.10. The motion was made by Dr. Adler and seconded by Dr. Rosenberg. All voted in favor of the motion.

Complementary Medicine regulation; N.J.A.C. 13:44-4.13:

Mr. Manning advised the Board that the Governor's Counsel had rejected its complementary medicine proposal without comment. The Board sought to propose this new regulation in or about June 2010. He recommended that the Board reconsider this proposal at a later date.

**E. ADMINISTRATIVE**

Executive Director Leslie G. Aronson reported that the Board has 45 candidates registered to sit for the April 15, 2011 State/JP Examination.

She also reported that this will be her last meeting since she is retiring from State service effective April 1, 2011. Board President Logan, among many other accolades, commended Ms. Aronson for her years of service with the Board and wished her well in retirement on behalf of the Board.

**F. CREDENTIALING**

(None)

**G. CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Chi Institute
2. CVC Convention
3. Memo from Kerry McGhee/RACE
4. Letter from Madison Animal Hospital
5. Letter from Furlong Associates/RACE
6. Letter from Alexia Tsakiris, B.V.M.
7. Memo from Dr. Jee Kim/RACE

These correspondences basically requested that the Board undertake the process to evaluate and approve certain holistic and complementary alternative medicine courses for continuing education credits since the courses had been denied credit by RACE.

The Board reviewed these correspondences and concluded that licensees can only receive continuing education credit for courses that have been approved by the sources listed in N.J.A.C. 13:44-4.10(d). It thereafter denied the request to independently evaluate and approve continuing education courses concluding that its regulations designates appropriate agencies to perform this task. The Board further directed that its Executive Director send a correspondence to RACE requesting that it review its evaluation process and implement changes so that courses are evaluated within sixty (60) days and that it enumerate in detail its reasons for course denials to continuing education sponsors .

**H. MISCELLANEOUS**

1. NAVLE/ Contract Agreement  
The Board reviewed the NAVLE contract agreement for 2011-2012 and thereafter voted to accept the amended contract terms for the next year.

**J. NEXT MEETING**

The next regularly meeting of the Board is scheduled for April 13, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. at 124 Halsey Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Newark, New Jersey.

**K. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board unanimously moved to Executive Session to consider new consumer complaints and new and pending disciplinary matters.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

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

Respectfully submitted,

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Francine Widrich, Acting Executive Director  
Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners