

**LOUISIANA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE  
BOARD MEETING  
April 4, 2019**

**Minutes**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President, Dr. William H. Green, called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m.

**II. ROLL CALL –**

Roll call was taken by Board Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Keri Cataldo, with the following results:

Those present:

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| William H. Green, DVM      | Board President           |
| James R. Corley, DVM       | Board Vice President      |
| Keri A. Cataldo, DVM       | Board Secretary-Treasurer |
| Joseph Bondurant, Jr., DVM | Board Member              |
| Alfred G. Stevens, DVM     | Board Member              |
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| Stephen H. Vogt            | Board General Counsel     |
| Wendy D. Parrish           | Board Executive Director  |

Absent: None.

Guests: LA Dept. of Agriculture – John Walther

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Board Minutes February 7, 2019**

The Board reviewed the minutes from February 7, 2019. Motion was made to accept the minutes as presented by Dr. Corley, seconded by Dr. Cataldo, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

**IV. FINANCIAL MATTERS AND CONTRACTS**

**A. Financial Reports** - Dr. Cataldo and Ms. Parrish presented the financial reports for the months of January and February 2019 for review. Following discussion, motion was made by Dr. Corley to accept the financial reports as presented, seconded by Dr. Bondurant, and passed unanimously by voice vote.

**B. Website Online Programming Update, Payment Vendors** – Ms. Parrish presented updated information on renewal online programming. Payment vendor was secured and online platform website framework is in progress. Target for first online renewal testing and payment verification to be end of May 2019. No action was taken on this item.

**C. North American Veterinary Licensing Examination (NAVLE)** – Motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Cataldo to adopt passage of the NAVLE as a requirement for Louisiana veterinary licensure. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- D. Veterinary Technicians National Examination (VTNE)** – Motion was made by Dr. Corley, seconded by Dr. Bondurant to approve the use of the VTNE and to again adopt passage of the VTNE as a requirement for Louisiana veterinary technician certification, as well as approval of Letter of Agreement effective March 1, 2019 through February 28, 2022. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**V. DVM APPLICANT ISSUES**

*Motion was made by Dr. Corley to go into executive session to discuss confidential matters regarding licensees and applicants not subject to public disclosure as per the law, seconded by Dr. Bondurant, and passed unanimously by voice vote.*

*Upon conclusion of executive session, motion was made to return to regular session by Dr. Cataldo, seconded by Dr. Corley, and approved unanimously by voice vote.*

- A. Adrienne Leigh Atkins, DVM – Request Waiver of Retake of National Examination and Preceptorship Requirement** – 2003 graduate of University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine, licensed in Tennessee, Florida and Nebraska. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Atkins, motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Cataldo, to **approve** the waiver requests as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required period of time immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- B. Bridget Rose Donovan, DVM – Request Waiver of Retake of National Examination and Preceptorship Requirement** – 2013 graduate of Atlantic Veterinary College (UPEI), licensed in Michigan. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Donovan, motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Cataldo, to **approve** waiver of retake of the national examination and preceptorship requirements as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required period of time immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- C. Daniel Adam Frese, DVM – Request Waiver of Retake of National Examination and Preceptorship Requirement** – 2003 graduate of Kansas State University, licensed in Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, Nebraska and South Dakota. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Frese, motion was made by Dr. Corley, seconded by Dr. Bondurant, to **defer** consideration of the waiver request due to insufficient and incomplete documentation regarding employment, until additional information is submitted. Dr. Frese will be notified of request for additional information. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- D. Katherine Lyndsay Hope Gordon, DVM - Request Waiver of Retake of National Examination and Preceptorship Requirement** – 2005 graduate of Tufts University, licensed in DC, and previously licensed in Ontario and New Jersey. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Hope Gordon, motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Cataldo, to **approve** waiver of

retake of the national examination and preceptorship requirements as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required period of time immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**E. Aliya Niami Magee, DVM – Request for Active DVM License, Waiver of Retake of National Examination and Waiver of Preceptorship Requirement** – Following review of the documentation submitted Dr. Magee, currently licensed as LA DVM Faculty veterinarian and licensed in New Mexico, faculty license in Oklahoma, motion was made by Dr. Corley, seconded by Dr. Bondurant, to approve Active DVM Status with **approved** waiver of retake of the national examination and preceptorship requirements as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required period of time immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**F. Michelle Lee Vanicor, DVM – Request for Waiver of Retake of National Examination and Waiver of Preceptorship Requirement** – 2000 graduate of LSU School of Veterinary Medicine, licensed in Florida. Following review of the documentation submitted by Dr. Vanicor, motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Cataldo, to **approve** waiver of retake of the national examination and preceptorship requirements as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required period of time immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**G. Britni Katelyn Burns, DVM – Request for Waiver of Preceptorship Requirement** – 2015 graduate of Texas A&M University, licensed in Texas. Following review of the documentation submitted Dr. Burns, motion was made by Dr. Corley, seconded by Dr. Bondurant, to **approve** waiver of retake of preceptorship requirement as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required period of time immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote..

**H. Taylor Shelbi McCain, DVM – Request for Waiver of Preceptorship Requirement** – 2018 graduate of LSU School of Veterinary Medicine, licensed in Texas. Following review of the documentation submitted Dr. McCain, motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Corley, to **approve** waiver of retake of preceptorship requirement as the documents provided meet the criteria of full-time clinical veterinary practice for the required period of time immediately prior to application, and licensure in good standing in another jurisdiction. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

## **VI. CONTINUING EDUCATION ISSUES**

**A. Crucial Conversations Training** (C Ordoyne, LSU-SVM) – Following review and discussion of the program submitted by Ms. Ordoyne, motion was made by Dr. Corley, seconded by Dr. Stevens, to **deny** LA DVM CE credits for participation in the program as it does not meet standard CE requirements. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- B. **Symposium on Therapeutic Advances in Animal Rehabilitation (STAAR) Conference** (J Martinson, DVM) – The program is a RACE approved program and LBVM will acknowledge LA DVM CE credits for participation in this event.
- C. **National Association of Black Veterinarians** (T. Brown, DVM) – Following discussion of the program submitted by Dr. Brown, motion was made by Dr. Corley, seconded by Dr. Stevens, to **approve** LA DVM CE credits for participation in the program as it meets standard CE requirements. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- D. **Heaven’s Pets** (P McCausland) – Following discussion of the program submitted by Mr. McCausland, motion was made by Dr. Corley, seconded by Dr. Bondurant, to **deny** LA DVM CE credits for participation in the program as it does not meet standard CE requirements. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

## **VII. POLICY, PROCEDURE, AND RULES**

### **A. General Update.**

- 1. No action taken.

### **B. Policy and Procedure.**

- 1. No action taken.

### **C. Practice Act, Rules/Related Matters/Declaratory Statements.**

- 1. The Board received several practice queries. The following queries were discussed with the resultant opinions, to-wit
  - a. In February of 2019, a practice act query was received from a veterinarian concerning whether the artificial insemination of canines constitutes the “practice of veterinary medicine” within the meaning of the Louisiana Veterinary Practice Act. A decision was not rendered and was deferred pending the opportunity for research by general counsel. Upon further consideration and with the advice of counsel it was decided that the artificial insemination of canines does constitute the practice of veterinary medicine within the meaning of the Practice Act. The practitioner will be advised accordingly.
  - b. Another query involved the question of whether under the Practice Act or Rules the use of a catheter in a small animal veterinary clinic is mandatory. The discussion centered on the absence of specific rules addressing the issue and variables and professional judgment required in deciding whether the use of a catheter is indicated. The opinion of the Board is that the use of a catheter in the scenario presented is determined on a case by case basis and it is not, therefore, mandatory.
  - c. The Board was asked whether it was unlawful or unethical for a layperson working for the Vermillion Parish Animal Shelter, a facility owned and operated by the parish police jury and the employer of the

layperson, to draw blood and perform heartworm testing on dogs up for adoption. The Board’s discussion centered on the statutory definition and exceptions to the “practice of veterinary medicine” in the Louisiana Veterinary Practice Act—La. R.S.37:1511 et seq. and its jurisdiction over licensees. An exception under the act is found at La. R.S. 37:1514 (1), which excludes from the provisions of the Practice Act “an employee of the federal, state or local government performing his official duties”. Accordingly, under the circumstances as presented it is neither unlawful nor unethical under the Practice Act, the Rules and the principles of Veterinary Ethics as set out by the AVMA. The licensee presenting the query will be so notified.

**VIII. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS**

**A. New Licenses and Certificates Issued:**

Wall certificates were presented for signature for the following licenses/certificates issued since the previous Board meeting:

**DVM**

|             |                   |              |
|-------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 771 Reissue | Preston Carl      | Roberts, III |
| 3631        | Elisabeth Rose    | Ducoing      |
| 3632        | Jeffrey Grafton   | Baravik      |
| 3633        | Lauren Patrice    | Guarneri     |
| 3634        | Cassandra Marie   | Barbic       |
| 3635        | Steven Joel       | Susaneck     |
| 3636        | Angelica Renee    | Scroggs      |
| 3637        | Candice Christine | Cavalier     |
| 3638        | Brandon Kyle      | Maddox       |
| 3639        | Rebecca Marie     | Davis        |
| 3640        | Brandon Cornel    | Day          |
| 3641        | John Henry        | Price, III   |

**Faculty DVM**

|     |                   |          |
|-----|-------------------|----------|
| 150 | Gabriel Castro    | Cuellar  |
| 151 | Christopher James | Robinson |
| 152 | Chi-Yen           | Wu       |

**RVT**

|      |                  |          |
|------|------------------|----------|
| 8447 | Julia Lynn       | Perkins  |
| 8448 | Rachel Elizabeth | Hawkins  |
| 8449 | Haley Nicole     | Tucker   |
| 8450 | Stephanie Marie  | Coffman  |
| 8451 | Tiffany Marie    | Barnhart |
| 8452 | Tyler Brooke     | Cummings |

**CAET**

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|---------|----------------|----------------|
| 9323    | Lynwood Arvis  | Martin         |
| Reissue |                |                |
| 9886    | Jessica Lanay  | Black          |
| 9887    | Remy Willart   | Broussard      |
| 9888    | Kelley Ann     | Cary           |
| 9889    | Leanna Allison | Guillet Miller |

|      |                  |         |
|------|------------------|---------|
| 9890 | Kayli Amanda     | Hanks   |
| 9891 | Candice Harville | Noel    |
| 9892 | Victoria LaNay   | Owens   |
| 9893 | Constance Mary   | Philipp |
| 9894 | Keegan Michelle  | Reeves  |
| 9895 | Jordan Rose      | Dooley  |
| 9896 | Lauren Ann       | LeBouef |
| 9897 | Chadwick Michael | Rozas   |

**B. Update on CAET Training Program** – Ms. Parrish presented statistics on the CAET training program from conception in August 2011 through March 2019. No action was taken on this item.

**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*Motion was made by Dr. Corley to go into executive session to discuss issues and receive legal advice regarding potential contested matters and personnel matters, seconded by Dr. Stevens, and passed unanimously by voice vote. Upon conclusion of discussion of the issues, motion was made to return to regular session by Dr. Cataldo, seconded by Dr. Corley, and approved unanimously by voice vote.*

No action taken.

**X. ADJOURN**

There being no further business before the Board, motion was made by Dr. Bondurant, seconded by Dr. Corley, and passed unanimously by voice vote to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

MINUTES REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY FULL BOARD on June 6, 2019

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Keri Cataldo, DVM, Board Secretary-Treasurer