

The **Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine** held a meeting at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room F, Hartford, Connecticut, on January 27, 2010.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson
Theresa Cianciolo, DVM
Ferris G. Gorra, DVM
Alfredo Sanchez-Londono, DVM
H. Dexter Young

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH

Ms. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Dr. Sanchez-Londono was welcomed to his first meeting as a member of the Board

I. MINUTES – November 4, 2009

The November 4, 2009 minutes were reviewed approved as written.

II. Department of Public Health Updates

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently 26 veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH. 7 additional cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review and/or action.

III. Legal Office Business

A. Seymour Leopold, DVM – Petition No. 2008-0512-047-017

Joelle Newton, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in the matter of Seymour Leopold, DVM. Respondent was not present or represented.

Mr. Young made a motion, seconded by Dr. Gorra, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. O'Neill signed the Order on behalf of the Board. The Order imposes a period of probation and a \$1000.00 civil penalty.

B. Richard Vargoshe, DVM, – Petition No. 2007-1115-047-027

Joelle Newton, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in the matter of Richard Vargoshe, DVM. Attorney Cynthia DiPreta was present on behalf of respondent.

Dr. Gorra made a motion, seconded by Mr. Young, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. O'Neill signed the Order on behalf of the Board. The Order imposes a \$1000.00 civil penalty.

IV. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

The Board discussed sending a letter to Jordan R. Dann, DVM thanking him for his many years of dedicated service to the citizens of Connecticut as a member and Chairman of the Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine

V. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq.
Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine

The **Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine** held a meeting at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room E, Hartford, Connecticut, on June 23, 2010,

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson
Theresa Cianciolo, DVM
Alfredo Sanchez-Londono, DVM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Timothy Plunkett, DVM
H. Dexter Young

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH

Ms. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

I. MINUTES – January 27, 2010

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Department of Public Health Updates

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently twenty-nine veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH. Seven additional cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review and/or action.

III. NEW BUSINESS

License Reinstatement Applications

A. Kellie Brown, DVM – Reinstatement Application

Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, DPH provided the Board with a reinstatement application for Kellie Brown, DVM, License No. 002714. Dr. Brown was not present.

Following review by the Board, Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, recommending that the license of Dr. Brown be reinstated.

The motion passed unanimously

B. Elizabeth Nichols-Newman, DVM – Reinstatement Application

Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, DPH provided the Board with a reinstatement application for Elizabeth Nichols-Newman, DVM, License No. 003088.

Dr. Nichols-Newman was present.

Following review by the Board, Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, recommending that the license of Dr. Nichols-Newman be reinstated with the condition that her practice be supervised for a period of three months on a full-time basis or 6 months part-time. The motion passed unanimously

C. Kathleen O'Brien, DVM – Reinstatement Application

Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, DPH provided the Board with a reinstatement application for Kathleen O'Brien, DVM, License No. 001828Dr. O'Brien was not present.

Following review by the Board, Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, recommending that the license of Dr. O'Brien be reinstated.

The motion passed unanimously

IV. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

A. Robyn Harper, DVM – Petition No. 2007-0221-047-010

Ellen Shanley, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in the matter of Robyn Harper, DVM. Attorney John Pezzillo was present on behalf of Dr. Harper.

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, approving the Consent Order, which imposes a \$1000.00 civil penalty. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. O'Neill signed the Order.

B. Dennis J. Thibeault, DVM – Petition No. 2006-0221-047-011

Ellen Shanley, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in the matter of Dennis J. Thibeault, DVM. Attorney John Pezzillo was present on behalf of Dr. Thibeault.

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, approving the Consent Order, which imposes a \$1000.00 civil penalty. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. O'Neill signed the Order.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson
Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine

The **Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine** held a meeting at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room F, Hartford, Connecticut, on August 25, 2010,

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Anne O’Neill, Esq., Chairperson
Theresa Cianciolo, DVM
Timothy Plunkett, DVM
Alfredo Sanchez-Londono, DVM
H. Dexter Young

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH

Ms. O’Neill called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

I. Minutes – June 23, 2010

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

II. Department Of Public Health Updates

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently thirty-three veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH. Six additional cases have been referred to the Department’s Legal Office for further review and/or action.

III. New Business

A. Health Assistance interVention Education Network for
Connecticut Health Professionals – (HAVEN)

Maureen Dinnan, Executive Director provided the annual update regarding the Haven Program. Arnold Cary, DVM who serves on the program’s medical review committee accompanied Attorney Dinnan. There are six veterinarians currently enrolled in the program because of substance abuse issue. There are over 200 professionals enrolled in the program at this time

B. Memorandum of Decision
Stephen Tobin, DVM, – Petition No. 2007-1031-047-024

The Board reviewed the Memorandum of Decision in the matter of Stephen Tobin, DVM. Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Mr. Young, to adopt the Memorandum of Decision, which imposes a period of probations and a permanent practice restriction prohibiting Dr. Tobin from performing surgery. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. O’Neill signed the Order.

IV. Adjournment

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne O’Neill, Esq., Chairperson
Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine

The **Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine** held a meeting at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Third Floor Hearing Room, Hartford, Connecticut, on November 10, 2010,

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson
Theresa Cianciolo, DVM
Timothy Plunkett, DVM
Alfredo Sanchez-Londono, DVM
H. Dexter Young

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH

Ms. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

I. Minutes – August 25, 2010

Mr. Young made a motion, seconded by Dr. Plunkett, to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

II. Department Of Public Health Updates

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently thirty-nine veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH. Five additional cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review and/or action.

III. New Business

Meeting dates for 2011

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for 2011:

January 26, 2011 (snow date February 2, 2011)

April 13, 2011

August 24, 2011

November 16, 2011

All meetings will be scheduled for 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

IV. Legal Office Business

Neil Wolff, DVM – Petition No. 2008-0714-047-023

Ellen Shanley, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in the matter of Neil Wolff, DVM. Neither respondent nor his attorney was present.

Following extensive discussion Dr. Plunkett made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, that the proposed Consent Order be tabled until the January 26, 2011 meeting to allow respondent and his attorney to be present such that additional information can be provided to allow the Board to make an informed decision.

The motion passed unanimously.

V. Adjournment

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson
Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine