

The **Connecticut Board of Veterinary Medicine** held a meeting at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Third Floor, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut, on February 26, 2014.

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson  
G. Kenneth Bernhard, Esq. - *via telephone*  
Theresa Cianciolo, DVM  
Alfredo Sanchez-Londono, DVM  
Timothy Plunkett, DVM

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH

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

**I. Minutes – November 13, 2013**

Dr. Plunkett made a motion, seconded by Dr. 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 11 veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH. 2 cases have been dismissed since the last meeting. 6 additional cases have been referred to the Department's Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance for further review and/or action.

**III. Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance**

**A. Toby Kimm, DVM – Petition No. 2013-723**

Leslie Scoville, Staff Attorney Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was present with Attorney John Clifford.

Mr. Bernhard made a motion, seconded by Dr. Plunkett, to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Neill signed the Order in which imposes a \$5000.00 civil penalty.

**IV. Regulations**

Hearing Officer Olinda Morales was present to assist the Board. The Board reviewed § 20-196-3 through § 20-196-14 of the regulations of Connecticut State Agencies as they pertain to veterinary treatment facilities. The Board identified changes and additions that may be necessary. There will be further review at future meetings.

**V. Adjournment**

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 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, Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut, on April 30, 2014.

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson  
G. Kenneth Bernhard, Esq. - *via telephone*  
Theresa Cianciolo, DVM  
Alfredo Sanchez-Londono, DVM  
Timothy Plunkett, DVM

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Olinda Morales, Hearing Officer, DPH  
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

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Ms. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**I. Minutes – February 26, 2014**

Dr. Plunkett made a motion, seconded by Dr. Londono, to approve the minutes as edited. The motion passed.

**II. Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance**

A. Betsy Japp, DVM – Petition No. 2011-1096

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

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Plunkett, to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Neill signed the Order in which imposes a one-year probation.

B. Frank McAleer, DVM – Petition No. 2011-302

Ellen Shanley, Staff Attorney Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was not present or represented.

Dr. Plunkett made a motion, seconded by Dr. Londono, to reject the Consent Order as written in that the proposed discipline does not appear to be appropriate for the alleged misconduct. The motion passed unanimously.

**III. Additional Agenda Item**

Dr. Plunkett made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cianciolo to add discussion of regulations to the agenda. The motion passed.

Hearing Officer Olinda Morales reported that a review of § 20-196-3 through § 20-196-14 of the regulations of Connecticut State Agencies as they pertain to veterinary treatment facilities is continuing internally. Proposes draft revisions will be ready for review by the Board at the August 27, 2014 meeting.

**IV. Adjournment**

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:29 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 August 27, 2014.

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson  
G. Kenneth Bernhard, Esq. - *via telephone*  
Theresa Cianciolo, DVM  
Alfredo Sanchez-Londono, DVM  
Timothy Plunkett, DVM

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Olinda Morales, Hearing Officer, DPH  
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

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Ms. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

**I. Minutes – April 30, 2014**

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

**II. Department Of Public Health Updates**

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently 16 veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH, of which 8 are being reviewed by consultants. 5 additional cases have been referred to the Department's Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance for further review and/or action.

**III. Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance**

Frank McAleer, DVM – Petition No. 2011-302

Ellen Shanley, Staff Attorney Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was present with Attorney Catherine Nietzel.

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Plunkett, to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed with Dr. Cianciolo, Dr. Plunkett and Mr. Bernhard voting in favor. Ms. O'Neill was opposed and Dr. Londono abstained.

Ms. O'Neill signed the Order in which imposes probation and a \$1000.00 civil penalty.

**IV. New Business**

Schedule hearing dates

Susan Zabohonski (unlicensed) – Petition No. 2013-817 will be heard at 9:15 a.m. on November 5, 2014.

Brian Turgeon, VMD – Petition No. 2012-419 will be heard at 10:00 a.m. on November 5, 2014.

John M. Robb, DVM – Petition No. 2012-1228 will be heard at 9:00 a.m. on December 2, 2014.

**V. Old Business**

The Board reviewed proposed draft regulations with Hearing Officer Olinda Morales. Additional review will take place at a future meeting.

**VI. Adjournment**

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

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

*The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.*

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq., Chairperson  
G. Kenneth Bernhard, Esq. - *via telephone*  
Theresa Cianciolo, DVM  
Alfredo Sanchez-Londono, DVM  
Timothy Plunkett, DVM

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Olinda Morales, Hearing Officer, DPH  
Jeffrey A. Kardys, Board Liaison

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Ms. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 9:00\_a.m.

**I. Minutes – August 27, 2014**

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

**II. Department Of Public Health Updates**

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently 17 veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH, of which 10 are being reviewed by consultants.

**III. Office of Licensure Regulation and Compliance**

A. Rebecca Therian (unlicensed) – Petition No. 2013-817

Brittany Allen, Staff Attorney Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was not present or represented.

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Plunkett, to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Neill signed the Order in which requires respondent to cease and desist from practicing without a license.

B. Brian Turgeon, VMD – Petition No. 2012-419

Leslie Scoville, Staff Attorney Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter along with a letter from the petitioner. Respondent was not present or represented.

Dr. Sanchez-Londono made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cianciolo, to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. O'Neill signed the Order in which imposes a \$500.00 civil penalty.

**IV. New Business**

A. Schedule meeting dates for 2015

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for 2015:

February 4, 2015

March 4, 2015 (snow day)

April 1, 2015

August 5, 2015

November 4, 2015

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

B. Hearing Continuance Request – John Robb, DVM, Petition No. 2012-1228

The Board reviewed a request from respondent and an objection from the Department of Public Health, for a continuance of the hearing in this matter scheduled for December 2, 2014. Hearing Officer Olinda Morales provided counsel to the Board.

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Plunkett, to deny respondent's request for a continuance. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. O'Neill made a motion, seconded by Dr. Plunkett, that an Order be issued to the Department of Public Health requiring the Department to provide respondent with copies of the documents it plans to introduce during the hearing. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Schedule hearing date

Shelley Lavigne (unlicensed) – Petition No. 2013-816 will be heard at 9:15 a.m. on February 4 2015.

D. Review of Regulations For Veterinary Facilities

Dr. Cianciolo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Sanchez-Londono, to add discussion of proposed regulations to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed proposed changes to the regulations for veterinary facilities with Hearing Officer Olinda Morales. Further review will take place at the Board's February 4, 2015 meeting, following a scheduled hearing.

**VI. Adjournment**

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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