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 January 30, 2008.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jordan R. Dann, DVM, Chairman

Ferris G. Gorra, DVM Richard E. Lau, DVM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Charene Ralicki

Nona Richards

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Department of Public Health

Dr. Dann called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

MINUTES – November 7, 2007

Dr. Dann made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lau, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. The Connecticut State Animal Response Team (CTSART)

Arnold L. Goldman DVM, MS; Executive Director provided an overview of the mission and responsibilities of the Connecticut State Animal Response Team.

The topic of the treatment of animals by first responders in the event of an emergency and/or natural disaster was raised. Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Department of Public Health, Office of Practiotner Licensing and Investigation was present for this discussion. Dr. Gorra made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lau, that the Department of Public Health draft a letter to the Connecticut Veterinary Medical Association outlining what activities would be allowed or prohibited in the event of an situation.

B. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently 25 veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH. 5 additional cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review and/or action.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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 May 21, 2008.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jordan R. Dann, DVM, Chairman

Theresa Cianciolo, DVM Ferris G. Gorra, DVM Richard Johnston, Esq.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Nona Richards

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Department of Public Health

Dr. Dann called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Dr. Cianciolo and Mr. Johnston were welcomed to their first meeting as Board members.

MINUTES - January 30, 2008

Dr. Gorra made a motion, seconded by Dr. Dann, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. HAVEN

The presentation from the Health Assistance interVention Education Network for Connecticut Health Professionals will be made at the August 2008 meeting.

B. Memorandum of Decision

Jane M. Lewis, DVM – Petition No. 2005-0714-047-018

The Board reviewed the Memorandum of Decision in the matter of Jane M. Lewis, DVM The Board members present and voting attest that they have read the record in this matter. Dr. Gorra made a motion, seconded by Mr. Johnston, to adopt the Memorandum of Decision as written. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Dann signed the Order.

C. <u>Investigations Update</u>

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently 27 veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH. 5 additional cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review and/or action.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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 August 20, 2008.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jordan R. Dann, DVM, Chairman

Theresa Cianciolo, DVM Ferris G. Gorra, DVM H. Dexter Young

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Nona Richards

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Dr. Dann called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

MINUTES - May 21, 2008

Dr. Dann made a motion, seconded by Dr. Gorra, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. <u>Investigations Update</u>

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently 39 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.

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

Maureen Dinnan, Esq., Neubert, Pepe & Monteith gave a presentation regarding the Health Assistance interVention Education Network for Connecticut Health Professionals (HAVEN). This program was developed pursuant to Public Act 07-103. Attorney Dinnan gave an overview of the programs mission, services and goals.

Currently enrolled in the program are 37 physicians, 54 nurses, 6 dentists, 2 podiatrists, 2 physician assistants and 6 veterinarians. Attorney Dinnan introduced Arnold Cary, DVM who serves on the program's medical review committee.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

The November 5, 2008 meeting will be rescheduled to Wednesday, November 12, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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 November 12, 2008.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jordan R. Dann, DVM, Chairman

Theresa Cianciolo, DVM Ferris G. Gorra, DVM H. Dexter Young

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq.

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Dr. Dann called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

Mr. Kardys reported that effective October 23, 2008, Mary Anne O'Neill, Esq was appointed to the Board in place of Nona Richards who was deemed to have resigned by the Governor's Office due to her failure to attend Board meetings since appointment.

MINUTES – August 20, 2008

Dr. Dann made a motion, seconded by Dr. Gorra, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health (DPH) reported that there are currently 33 veterinary cases under investigation by the DPH. 8 additional cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review and/or action.

B. Public Health Code § 20-196-3 - Use of the term "Medical Center"

The Public Health Code § 20-196-03 provides states that a . . . "veterinary medical center is a facility that performs full and complete consultative, clinical, and hospital services by an adequate staff of duly accredited veterinary scientists who perform scientific research and conduct advanced professional educational programs . . ."

It was brought to the Board's attention that Newtown Animal Medical Center, 98 South Main Street, Newtown, CT may not be in compliance with this regulation in its use of the term "medical center."

Mr. Griffin indicated that the Department of Public Health is looking into this matter and has communicated with the owner.

C. Meeting dates for 2008

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for 2009:

January 28, 2009

April 15, 2009

August 19, 2009

November 4, 2009

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

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

The Board reviewed a letter sent to the Department of Public Health from Larry Nieman, DVM who is the owner of a franchise veterinary practice. Dr. Nieman states that the franchisor is limiting his ability to transmit images to an outside radiologist. The Board commented that this a business practice issue for which the Board does not have jurisdiction.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,