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 2 **IDAHO BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**
 3 **APPROVED MINUTES**
 4 **MONDAY JANUARY 24, 2011**
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6 The Idaho Board of Veterinary Medicine met in Main Conference Rooms A and B of the Idaho
 7 Department of Agriculture building, Boise, Idaho. This meeting was called for the purpose of
 8 carrying out regular Board business. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. MST by Board
 9 President Dave Schulz, DVM. Those in attendance were:
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Board:

Dave Schulz, DVM – President
 Doug Walker, DVM – Vice President
 Dave Clark, DVM – Member
 John Coplin, DVM – Member
 Joyceanne Fick – Public Member

Office Staff:

Karen Ewing – Executive Director
 Carol Youtz – Technical Records Specialist II

Additional Attendees:

Sara Ratekin, DVM: Brown Mackie College
 Jeff Rosenthal, DVM: Idaho Humane Society
 Bernard Fletcher, DVM: Academy of Equine Dentistry
 Harv Lyter: Office of the State Board of Education
 Vicki Smith, IVMA

Deputy Attorney General:

Edith Pacillo – Administrative Law

1 **AGENDA ITEMS**
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3 **1. Approve minutes from 10/26/2010**

4 Ms. Fick moved to approve the minutes. Dr. Clark seconded, and the motion passed.
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6 **2. OLD BUSINESS**

7 **A. Volunteer Idaho MOA**

8 The Board discussed the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Idaho Department of
 9 Health and Welfare (IDHW) to provide for a licensure data transfer for the Volunteer Idaho
 10 software program. The MOA is to be modified to note that just because a veterinarian is licensed;
 11 it doesn't mean he/she possesses valid DEA and Idaho Controlled Substance Registrations, nor is
 12 he/she federally accredited. The final revision will also include language to require pre-payment
 13 of the Board's programming costs. Dr. Walker moved to modify the MOA. Dr. Coplin seconded,
 14 and the motion passed.
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16 **B. Online renewal survey**

17 Survey results indicate that 76% of veterinarians, 81% of CVTs, and 77% of CEAs/CETs would
 18 use online renewal services. The Board will go forward with the purchase of new software in
 19 2012 to implement online renewal capability by 2013.
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1 C. Brown Mackie College/technician teeth extractions – Sara Ratekin, DVM
2 Brown Mackie College received its AVMA accreditation in late August 2010. Dr. Ratekin asked
3 the Board to consider changing its laws to allow teeth extractions by qualified Certified
4 Veterinary Technicians (CVTs). The Board declined to take this action. Ms. Ewing is to send a
5 letter to Dr. Ratekin to state that teeth extractions may be taught at Brown Mackie College using
6 cadaver patients, but that Dr. Ratekin must impress on her students that Idaho law does not allow
7 CVTs to deliberately extract teeth.

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9 D. PBI Ethics Course

10 The Board discussed the Professional Boundaries Ethics courses. Once RACE-approved, the
11 board will reevaluate the courses for potential assignment in disciplinary actions in which ethics
12 violations were confirmed.

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14 E. Metacam

15 The Board continued its discussion of the relabeling and use restriction by the manufacturer of
16 the drug Metacam, and how this issue might be addressed in a newsletter article. Ms. Pacillo
17 suggested that any article that is written simply state that the board is aware of the situation, but is
18 not giving any advice at this point.

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20 F. ISVTA – Erica Mattox, CVT

21 Ms. Mattox was unable to attend, but sent an email update. The membership of the Idaho Society
22 of Veterinary Technicians and Assistants (ISVTA) is slowly growing. Ms. Mattox will be invited
23 to provide another update at the January 2012 Board meeting.

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25 G. Chemical Capture Course Draft – Jeff Rosenthal, DVM

26 Dr. Rosenthal presented a draft for the new course, and will send an electronic copy once
27 completed. The course will be one (1) day; a full eight (8) hours, and attendees will be charged
28 \$150. Attendance will be limited to Certified Euthanasia Technicians (CETs) classified as law
29 enforcement officers.

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31 **3. EQUINE DENTAL TECHNICIANS – Bernard Fletcher, DVM**

32 Dr. Fletcher indicated that equine dentistry should be limited to veterinarians and trained technicians
33 working under veterinary supervision. The Board discussed the idea to set an education/competency
34 standard and begin a certification program for equine dental technicians. Both the Academy of Equine
35 Dentistry (AED) and the International Association of Equine Dentistry (IAED) have educational
36 certification programs; however, the exam for the IAED consists of testing on one (1) horse, while the
37 AED requires a written exam, and a testing wet lab on one (1) horse per day for six (6) days. The
38 AED does not teach students about sedation, as this is the practice of veterinary medicine. No final
39 decision on the creation of a Board certification program was reached.

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41 A. Equine dental schools and Board of Education criteria – Harv Lyter

42 The purpose of the State Board of Education (SBOE) registration program for proprietary schools
43 is consumer protection. The SBOE has no expertise in the technical aspects of these schools. The
44 SBOE does not regulate the practice of trades; it regulates those who want to teach. When a
45 human dental assisting course is submitted to SBOE, it contacts the Idaho Board of Dentistry for
46 approval of the submitted curriculum. The SBOE was unaware of the relationship between its
47 registration of proprietary schools teaching equine dentistry and the regulation of equine dentistry
48 provided by the Idaho Board of Veterinary Medicine (Board), so this step was not taken. The
49 SBOE has no statute or rule that mandates this step. The Board will investigate the new equine
50 dental school in King Hill to determine if its instructional course is in compliance with Idaho
51 Code regarding the practice of veterinary medicine.

1 **4. 2012 RULE CHANGES**

2 **A. Records confidentiality and release documentation – allow verbal release?**

3 The Board discussed the last sentence of Rule 154.05 that requires veterinarians to secure a
4 written release to document transfers of patient medical information. Based on comments from
5 veterinarians and a survey of fourteen (14) other states, Ms. Fick moved to remove the last
6 sentence of Rule 154.05 in the 2012 legislative session. Dr. Coplin seconded. Motion passed.
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8 **B. Fee increase rule change**

9 Ms. Youtz prepared and presented a budget extrapolation from FY2008 – FY2021, under the
10 direction of Dr. Schulz. After reviewing the historic expenses and revenues, along with the
11 projected expenses and revenues, the Board determined that a request for a fee increase should be
12 submitted for the 2012 Legislative Session. If the fee increase rule is approved, it would take
13 effect on the last day of the 2012 legislative session. The Board will continue the fee increase
14 discussion at its April 25, 2011 meeting to confirm the exact increase amounts. The tentative
15 increases to existing fees are \$75 for active veterinarians, \$25 for inactive veterinarians, CVTs,
16 and CETs, and \$50 for CEAs. Dr. Walker moved to approve the proposed fee increase scenario.
17 Dr. Coplin seconded. Motion passed.
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19 **C. NAVLE fee/approval rule deletion**

20 The statute requiring the Board to preapprove national exam candidates will be deleted during the
21 2011 legislative session, and the associated rule will be removed in 2012.
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23 **LUNCH - 12:30 TO 1:00 p.m.**
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25 **5. COMPLAINTS/DISCIPLINE:**

26 **A. Severity scale**

27 Due to the tremendous number of variables in individual complaint/disciplinary cases, the Board
28 decided not to use the severity scale in the future. The Board will set \$1000 as the minimum fine
29 in all disciplinary actions. This will inform licensees that the Board intends to hold them
30 responsible for their actions when practicing in Idaho.
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32 **B. Technician recommendations without veterinary examination**

33 Dr. Colby Burr asked the Board if a veterinary technician could examine a patient's teeth and
34 recommend a dental procedure. The Board determined that this is a diagnosis, which is the
35 practice of veterinary medicine. Ms. Ewing is to send a letter to advise Dr. Burr.
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37 **C. JustAnswer.com**

38 Dr. Jim Williams asked the Board to give its opinion on the JustAnswer.com website. This site
39 allows the public to ask a veterinarian questions and pay how much they think the answer was
40 worth. Mr. Gabel opined that he has serious reservations that this activity constitutes unlicensed
41 practice under existing Idaho statutes and rules. The Board discussed the issue, and will take no
42 action. Ms. Ewing is to respond to Dr. Williams.
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44 **6. GENERAL BUSINESS**

45 **A. New Website/Continuing education look-up on website**

46 The State of Idaho has mandated that all agencies use a standard website template. Based on this
47 directive, Ms. Youtz has been working with the Department of Administration to make the
48 change to the Board's existing website. The new website address will be www.bovm.idaho.gov.
49 Board staff asked the Board to consider whether a programmer should be paid to develop a
50 continuing education look-up feature on the website. The Board will wait and include this feature
51 once new licensing software is purchased.

1 **B. FY2012 Change in Employee Compensation Report**
2 Lump-sum spending authority will need to be given to the Board during the 2011 legislative
3 session in order to move money from operating up to personnel for possible staff salary increases.
4 If the Board is given lump-sum spending authority, Ms. Fick recommends the office staff receive
5 a 5% salary increase. Dr Schulz asked if a 3% salary increase would be more in keeping with the
6 current economic situation throughout the state. The Board decided to revisit this subject in April,
7 once the legislature's budget decision has been made.
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9 **C. Choose Spring, June, and Fall 2011 meeting dates**
10 Dates of April 25, June 20, and October 24, 2011 were selected for the remaining 2011 physical
11 meetings.
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13 7. LICENSURE

14 **A. Executive Session – Betsy Adams application review**
15 Ms. Fick moved to enter executive session pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-2345 (1)(d), and
16 Dr. Coplin seconded: Rollcall vote: SCHULZ-aye, WALKER-aye, CLARK-aye, COPLIN aye,
17 FICK-aye. Executive Session convened at 3:02 pm, and adjourned at 3:13 pm.
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19 Ms. Fick moved to reenter Public Meeting, and Dr. Coplin seconded. Public meeting resumed at
20 3:14 pm. Let the record reflect that the board members have returned to regular session after
21 discussion of Betsy Adams' application, as allowed by Idaho Code Section 67-2345(1)(d).
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23 Dr. Clark moved to approve Ms. Betsy Adams' application. Dr. Walker seconded. Motion passed.
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25 **B. Katie Ray – CVT education equivalency review**
26 Board reviewed non-accredited education for this CVT applicant, and determined that Ms. Ray's
27 educational program was not equivalent to an AVMA-accredited veterinary technology program.
28 Dr. Coplin moved to disapprove the request. Ms. Fick seconded. Motion passed.
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30 **C. License and certification application review**
31 Thirty-one (31) veterinarians and four (4) Certified Veterinary Technician (CVT) applications
32 were reviewed and approved. The individuals approved are:
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34 **VETERINARIANS APPROVED**

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| 1. BRACKETT, ADELINE DEE | 17. KLEMENT, GERALD JOHN |
| 2. BROWN, THOMAS JAMES | 18. KLUGE, MARIE JOY |
| 3. BURGESS, ABBEY KATHLEEN | 19. KOBAYASHI, TOSHIKO |
| 4. CARROLL, MELISSA DOUGHTY | 20. LUNDQUIST, KENNETH SETH |
| 5. CHEN, VALERIE HUIE-LI | 21. MATHEYS, JANE MARIE |
| 6. COBLER, KATIE ASHLEY | 22. ORMOND, ROBERT CRESFIELD |
| 7. COLLINS, MAGGIE ACKER | 23. PLANTZ, ASHLEY KAYE |
| 8. EVERETT, DARRIN STEWART | 24. QUENETTE, STEPHEN ANDERS |
| 9. GAINES, SHERI LEE | 25. RAPTOSH, ZACHARY JOSEPH |
| 10. GEPHART, TETYANA SUKHOMLYN | 26. SOWA, JULIE ANNE |
| 11. HANEY, SHEENA POWELL | 27. TALBOT, MATTHEW BLAINE |
| 12. HENDRICKS, ELRAY JOHN | 28. WAHL, KEVIN BRADLEY |
| 13. HERMAN, PETER DAVID | 29. WARE, MEGAN RAE |
| 14. HILLEMAYER, CINDI LYN | 30. WOOD, STEPHANIE NICHOLE |
| 15. JAHN, KIMBERLY DAWN | 31. ZANN, KATHLEEN ANN |
| 16. JAY, MAUREEN ROSE | |

CERTIFIED VETERINARY TECHNICIANS APPROVED

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| 1. ANDERSON, KATIE LORRAINE | 3. ENOS, LINDSEY MARIE |
| 2. ELFERING, JAMIE LEE | 4. MORSS, HOLLY ELIZABETH |

There being no further business to conduct, Ms. Fick moved to adjourn the meeting, and Dr. Coplin seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:36 pm MST.

David A. Schulz, DVM	Date
K. Bruce Lancaster, DVM	Date
Douglas J. Walker, DVM	Date
David G. Clark, DVM	Date
John R. Coplin, DVM	Date
Joyceanne V. Fick	Date