



**ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF  
VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
8 Commerce Street – Ste 910  
Montgomery, AL 36104**

**MINUTES  
Board Meeting  
Wednesday March 19th, 2014**

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The Alabama State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners met Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at the Board Office in Montgomery, Alabama in order to conduct business.

Mrs. Nancy Pett served as Parliamentarian over the Board Meeting.

**10:00 a.m.** Meeting was called to order by the President Dr. Robert E. Pitman with the following members in attendance: Dr. Sam Eidt, Ms. Debbie Whitten, Dr. Robert Martin, Dr. Thomas C. Branch, Dr. Mickey Golden and Mrs. Nancy Pett. Also in attendance were Tammy S. Cargile, Executive Director and Charles David Phillips, Field Compliance Officer, Dale W. O'Banion, Field Compliance Officer and Mark Montiel, Boards Attorney. Dr. Patrick Trotter was absent from this Board Meeting.

*\*A Quorum is present, copy of meeting publication attached.*

Guest present were: Mrs. Rachel Miller, Mr. Miland Simpler, Mindy Gilbert, Bill Allen and Karen Peterlin.

The meeting was advertised on the Board's web site, [www.asbvme.alabama.gov](http://www.asbvme.alabama.gov), and on the Secretary of State's web site, [www.sos.alabama.gov](http://www.sos.alabama.gov), in compliance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

**Roll Call**

Dr. Robert Pitman – In Attendance  
Dr. Sam Eidt – In Attendance  
Ms. Debbie Whitten – In Attendance  
Mrs. Nancy Pett – In Attendance  
Dr. Patrick Trotter – In Attendance  
Dr. Robert Martin – In Attendance  
Dr. Thomas C. Branch – In Attendance  
Dr. Mickey Golden – In Attendance

Dr. Pitman asked for review of the minutes from the February 19th, 2013 meeting. Minutes were reviewed and discussed by the Board. (Exhibit 1)

Dr. Eidt made a motion to accept the minutes as presented.

Dr. Branch seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

The **Financial Report(s)** for February, 2014 were reviewed and discussed by the Board.

(Exhibit 2)

Ms. Whitten made a motion to approve the financial report as presented.

Dr. Eidt seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

### **Review of Agenda**

(Exhibit 3)

1. Additions, Modifications, Reordering
2. Adoption of Agenda

Ms. Whitten made a motion to amend the agenda to add a new DVM Application.

Dr. Trotter seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

Dr. Eidt made a motion to accept the amended agenda.

Ms. Pett seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board reviewed and discussed the following **ASBVME – New Business**

The Boards Attorney, Mr. Mark Montiel warranted the Board that pursuant to the statutory requirements § 34-29-68 the Board needed to go into Executive Session to discuss the matters of an legal matters and complaint cases.

**At 10:10a.m.** Dr. Trotter made a motion to enter into executive session for the discussion of legal matters presented to the Board and complaint cases until 11:55 a.m.

Mark Montiel, a licensed attorney for the Alabama State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, certified that the reasons as stated in the motion are true and correct and are what will be discussed in Executive Session.

Dr. Eidt seconded the motion, and the President called for the vote: Dr. Eidt, Yea, Dr. Martin, Yea, Ms. Whitten, Yea, Dr. Trotter, Yea, Dr. Branch, Yea, Mrs. Pett, Yea, Dr. Golden, Yea, and Dr. Pitman, Yea.

**11:55 a.m.** Dr. Eidt made a motion to retire from executive session. Dr. Branch seconded the motion, and the President called for the vote: Dr. Eidt, Yea, Ms. Whitten, Yea, Dr. Martin, Yea, Dr. Branch, Yea, Mrs. Pett, Yea, Dr. Trotter, Yea, Dr. Golden, Yea, and Dr. Pitman, Yea.

**11:55 a.m.** Mrs. Pett made a motion to submit an Emergency Contract to Governor Bentley for Dr. William Ronald Welch, as an Expert Consultant to assist the Board's Legal Counsel with the prosecution of several ongoing investigations and administrative hearings.

Dr. Trotter seconded the motion and the President, Dr. Pitman called for a roll call vote: Dr. Eidt, Yea, Ms. Whitten, Yea, Dr. Trotter, Yea, Dr. Martin, Yea, Dr. Branch, Yea, Dr. Golden, Yea, and Mrs. Pett, Yea.

The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Eidt made a motion to enter into a contract for one year with Dr. William Ronald Welch, as an Expert Consultant for the Board for his professional expertise to assist legal counsel in ongoing investigations and administrative hearings. The amount of the yearly contract will be an all inclusive contract and will not exceed \$25,000.00.

Dr. Martin seconded that motion and the President, Dr. Pitman called for a roll call vote: Dr. Eidt, Yea, Ms. Whitten, Yea, Dr. Trotter, Yea, Dr. Martin, Yea, Dr. Branch, Yea, Dr. Golden, Yea, and Mrs. Pett, Yea.

The motion passed unanimously

**New CET Application - This application was tabled at the February ASBVME Board Meeting.** (Exhibit 4)

Ms. Whitten made a motion to grant the new CET a license to work as a Certified Euthanasia Technician at the Registered Animal Euthanasia Facility in which he is currently employed.

Dr. Trotter seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the Board.

**New DVM Application – For ASBVME Board approval.** (Exhibit 5)

Dr. Trotter made a motion to grant the new veterinarian that is moving to Alabama an Active DVM license to practice in the State of Alabama.

Dr. Golden seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the Board.

The following **Complaint Case** was presented for resolution:

**Case: # 13-TCB-648\***

\* Filed by Case # in the Complaint Files.

Dr. Branch presented this case. Dr. Branch in reviewing this case against Dr. "A", Dr. Branch found no breach in the Standard of Care that was given and no violations to the Alabama Practice Act. Dr. Branch is recommending to the ASBVME that this case be dismissed with no

further actions against Dr."A".

Dr. Martin made a motion to accept Dr. Branch's recommendation to dismiss this case with no further actions against Dr. "A".

Dr. Trotter seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the Board.

**Case: # 13-TCB-650\***

\* Filed by Case # in the Complaint Files.

Dr. Branch presented this case. Dr. Branch in reviewing this case against Dr. "B", Dr. Branch found no breach in the Standard of Care that was given and no violations to the Alabama Practice Act. Dr. Branch is recommending to the ASBVME that this case be dismissed with no further actions against Dr."B".

Dr. Trotter made a motion to accept Dr. Branch's recommendation to dismiss this case with no further actions against Dr. "B".

Ms. Whitten seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the Board.

**2:15 p.m.                    ASBVME – Information Only**

**Ethics Commission Filing – Reminder to all Board Members to make sure to File with the Ethics Commission and email the Executive Director their Confirmation.**

Dr. Pitman made a directive to let the CE Committee make the decision to approve the Zoetis Continuing Education lectures for Pharmacy Review if the CE Committee deems fit.

Dr. Pitman appointed Dr. Mickey Golden to replace Dr. William Ronald Welch on the CE Committee to assist the Chair of the CE Committee Dr. Sam Eidt and Dr. Patrick Trotter, who serves as the other CE Committee Member.

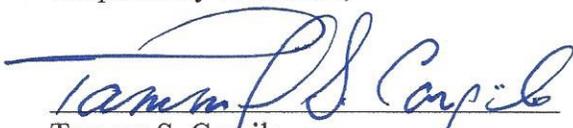
Dr. Pitman, gave Dr. Eidt a directive to write down three or four guidelines to pass on to the next CE Guru, the help assist them in the decision of whether or not a program can be approved.

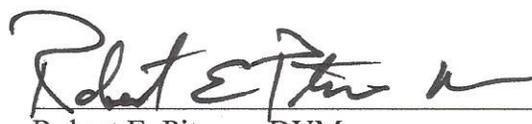
Dr. Branch made motioned to pay expenses for the meeting and adjourn.

Dr. Martin seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

**4:00 p.m.                    Adjourn**

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Tammy S. Cargile  
Executive Director

  
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Robert E. Pitman, DVM  
President