President Herbert Justus, D.V.M., called the regular meeting of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board to order at 8:03 A.M. In attendance were Board members Drs. Joseph Gordon, Linwood Jernigan, Amy Lewis, David Marshall, Kenneth Padgett, Mrs. Nancy Robinson, R.V.T. Also present were Board Attorney, Mr. George Hearn, and Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Mickey.

The Executive Director read the minutes of the April 4, 2003, meeting. On a motion made by Dr. Padgett, seconded by Dr. Gordon, the minutes were approved as corrected.

The Board reviewed the May 16, 2003, response of Charles Loop, D.V.M. concerning his regimens of therapy. The Board directed that another letter be sent to Dr. Loop explaining that to dispense medicines a valid veterinarian-client-patient relationship is needed.

The Executive Director informed the Board that the technical correction to 21 NCAC 66 .0206, Minimum Standards for Continuing Education was approved by the Rules Review Commission and became effective June 1, 2003. No further action was taken.
Mr. Hearn reported that Governor Michael Easley signed into law House Bill 978 entitled Veterinary Board Agreements/Impaired Vets. The Board requested that Dr. Marshal, Mr. Hearn and the Executive Director continue working on the development of a program with North Carolina Physicians Heath Program, Inc. No further action was taken.

Dr. Lewis made a motion to approve the Residency Agreement between North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine Department of Clinical Sciences and The Veterinary Specialty Hospital of Cary, Inc. Dr. Marshall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hearn reported that both William A. Caudle, D.V.M. and Kevin A. Monce, D.V.M. signed their respective Consent Orders approved at the last meeting.

The Executive Director distributed a financial report to the Members of the Board. Dr. Padgett made a motion to approve the report. Dr. Gordon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
The regular meeting of the Board adjourned at 9:25 A.M. for a ten-minute break.

The regular meeting of the Board reconvened at 9:35 A.M.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 1.

03004-1-1 Kristen Anne Rowlingson, D.V.M. (Complaint of Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Morrison) - Dismissed, no probable cause.

03006-1-1 Heath Dale Wiseman, D.V.M. (Complaint by Mr. & Mrs. Tom Varner) – Letter of Caution.

02050-1-1 Susan Michele Rohrer, D.V.M. (Complaint by Mr. Ed Applegate) – Letter of Reprimand.

03016-1-1 Robbins L. Miller, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Lucinda Guthrie) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

01023-2-1 Kevin Arthur Monce, D.V.M. (Complaint by the Board) – This complaint had been previously closed by issuing a Letter of Caution. Following the review of additional information the
Committee made a determination to issue a second disciplinary action, a Letter of Reprimand.

Dr. Lewis made a motion to approve the Committee on Investigations Number 1 report. Dr. Padgett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Report of Committee on Investigations No. 7.

03003-1-7 Charles W. Enloe, D.V.M. (Complaint of Mr. Peter B. Nalen) – Letter of Caution.

03009-1-7 Donald L. Fuller, D.V.M. (Complaint by Ms. Nicole N. Dailey) – Letter of Reprimand and $500.00 civil monetary penalty.

02053-1-7 Deana Marie McNamer, D.V.M. (Complaint of Ms. Angela Rowland) – Dismissed, no probable cause.

Dr. Gordon made a motion to approve the Committee on Investigations Number 7 report. Dr. Jernigan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
The Investigator presented a report on his work since the last Board meeting. No further action was taken.

The Board reviewed the May 5, 2003, letter from Charles W. Miller, Jr., D.V.M. concerning the use of the term “special interest” and Oncologist vs. Oncology. The Board determined his response was acceptable and a letter should be sent to him stating that. No further action was taken.

The Board reviewed the letter from Major Jennifer A. Seals, D.V.M. concerning her continuing education requirement. The Board determined that military CME for physicians available to her while deployed in Afghanistan would be acceptable. No further action was taken.

The Board reviewed information concerning Evann L. Slavich and the advertisement as a Certified Animal Behaviorist. The Executive Director is to write a letter to the doctor who provided the material. The letter is to request that he please monitor the situation and advise the Board of any changes but at this time based on the information received this is not the practice of veterinary medicine.
The Board reviewed information concerning Valerie B. Olszyk and Pet Behavior Help. No further action was taken.

The Board reviewed information received from the National Commission on Veterinary Economic Issues a non-profit organization founded by the American Veterinary Medical Association and the American Animal Hospital Association and Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges. Howard E. Rubin, Chief Executive Officer, requested continuing education credit for all of their web-based programs. The Board determined that 21 NCAC 66.0206 allows for a maximum of three hours of computer based training per renewal cycle. Regardless of the number of models or benchmarking tools completed only three hours of credit can be earned and approved. No further action was taken.

Dr. Gordon discussed with the Board the reporting of disciplinary actions to the American Association of Veterinary State Boards’ (AAVSB) disciplinary database. Following the report from the Executive Director Dr. Marshall made a motion to not participate in the National Disciplinary Database until such time that the administrative issues within the office of
the AAVSB are resolved. Dr. Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board set the date for the next Board meeting to be in Raleigh on September 5, 2003. Possible meeting dates for the remainder of the fiscal year are November 6, 2003, January 23, April 16, and June 24, 2004.

The Nominating Committee presented their slate of officers for 2003-2004. The Committee nominated Dr. Justus for President, Dr. Lewis for Vice President and Dr. Marshall for Secretary-Treasurer. Dr. Padgett made a motion that the slate of officers be approved and elected to their respective positions. Dr. Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the presentations and discussions in relevant committee meetings, with the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Association, attended by certain members of the Board. The Board determined that by holding its June meeting in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, it provided Board Members with communication, discussion and learning opportunities that did and will enable the Board to more effectively
fulfill its responsibilities. While the Board considers its office in Raleigh to be its regular and preferred meeting site, the Board determined that meetings in the same general locations where other veterinary professional groups are convening can be a communication resource for the Board. Upon a motion by Dr. Padgett, seconded by Dr. Lewis, the Board approved the actual expenses incurred for travel, meals and lodging for Board Members, the Executive Director and Board Attorney.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote upon a motion by Dr. Lewis and seconded by Dr. Padgett at 11:57 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas M. Mickey
Executive Director