

Call to Order

The March 28, 2023, Virginia Board of Veterinary Medicine (Board) meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. at the Department of Health Professions (DHP), Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Board Room 4, Henrico, Virginia 23233.

Meeting Chair – Steve B. Karras, DVM

Members Present

Tregel Cockburn, DVM, Secretary
Steve Linas, OD, Citizen Member

Member Attending Electronically

Thomas Massie, Jr., DVM was approved by the President of the Board to participate electronically as a substitute for another board member who had an acute illness.

Staff Present

Leslie L. Knachel, Executive Director
Kelli Moss, Deputy Executive Director
Heather Pote, Discipline Case Specialist
Laura Jackson, Board Administrator
Laura Paasch, Senior Licensing Specialist

Establishment of Quorum

With four out of seven board members present, a quorum was established.

Ordering of Agenda

Dr. Karras opened the floor to any edits or corrections regarding the agenda. Hearing none, the agenda was accepted as presented.

Public Comment

There were no requests to provide public comment.

Consideration of Agency Subordinate Recommendation

**Luke Delo, Veterinarian – Case 210966 and
Westlake Veterinary Medical Center – Case 210965**

**Karen Baum, Veterinarian – Case 219564
Little Doc’s Veterinary Care, Incorporated – Case 219563**

Eclectic Equine Services – Case 220672

Dr. Delo and Dr. Baum did not appear, nor did a representative for Eclectic Equine Services.

Ms. Moss presented to the Board the Agency Subordinate recommendations for the cases listed.

Closed session:

Dr. Cockburn moved that the quorum of the Board convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of case numbers 210966, 210965, 219564, 219563, and 220672. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Knachel attend the closed meeting because her presence was deemed necessary and will aid the Board in its deliberation. The motion was seconded by Dr. Linas and carried unanimously.

Reconvene:

Dr. Cockburn moved that the Board certify that it heard, discussed, or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded by Dr. Linas and carried unanimously.

Motion regarding Agency Subordinate Recommendations:

Dr. Linas moved that the Board accept the Agency Subordinate recommendations for Luke Delo, Veterinarian - Case 210966, Westlake Veterinary Medical Center – Case 210965, Karen Baum, Veterinarian – Case 219564, Little Doc’s Veterinary Care, Incorporated – Case 219563, and Eclectic Equine Services – Case 220672. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cockburn and carried unanimously.

Adjournment

With no objection, Dr. Karras adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.