UNAPPROVED DRAFT
BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
INFORMAL CONFERENCE
January 16, 2014
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
RICHMOND, VA

CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Constance Pozniak, DVM– Chair
Taryn Singleton, LVT

STAFF PRESENT: Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Matthew R. Eagen, DVM, applicant for reinstatement**
License No.: 0301200592
Case No.: 151249

DISCUSSION: Dr. Eagen was present by telephone conference call in accordance with an Amended Notice of Informal Conference dated August 30, 2013. Dr. Eagen was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed Dr. Eagen's application for reinstatement of his license to practice veterinary medicine in the Commonwealth.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Ms. Singleton, the Special Conference Committee recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Matthew R. Eagen, DVM.** Additionally, it was moved that Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division, Terri Behr, Operations Manager, Board of Veterinary Medicine and Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Based on the background investigation and discussion

of the application for reinstatement with Dr. Eagen, the SCC voted to issue an Order to reinstate the license of Matthew R. Eagen, DVM, to practice veterinary medicine in the Commonwealth. The hearing adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

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Constance Pozniak, DVM

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Leslie Knachel, Executive Director

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CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 11:15 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Constance Pozniak, DVM– Chair
Taryn Singleton, LVT

STAFF PRESENT: Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant

MATTER SCHEDULED: **James A. Yanchunis, DVM**
License No.: 0301002346
Case No.: 149235

DISCUSSION: Dr. Yanchunis was present in accordance with a notice of Informal Conference dated December 9, 2013. Dr. Yanchunis was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Yanchunis.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Ms. Singleton, the Special Conference Committee recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **James A. Yanchunis, DVM.** Additionally, it was moved that Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division, Terri Behr, Operations Manager, Board of Veterinary Medicine and Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant, Board of Veterinary Medicine, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Based on the information in the investigative report and discussion with Dr. Yanchunis, the SCC voted to issue an Order to Dr. Yanchunis with a monetary penalty of $500. The hearing adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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Constance Pozniak, DVM

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Leslie Knachel, Executive Director

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CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Taryn Singleton, LVT, Chair
Constance Pozniak, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Jan Willis, Administrative Proceedings Division
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant
Anne Joseph, Administrative Proceedings Division

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Callie L. Strokus, LVT, applicant for reinstatement**
License No.: 0302005477
Case No.: 153953

DISCUSSION: Ms. Strokus was present by telephone conference call in accordance with a notice of Informal Conference dated December 19, 2013. Ms. Strokus was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed Ms. Strokus's application for reinstatement of her license to practice as a veterinary technician in the Commonwealth.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Dr. Pozniak, the Special Conference Committee recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Callie L. Strokus, LVT.** Additionally, it was moved that Jan Willis, Administrative Proceedings Division, Anne Joseph, Administrative Proceedings Division, Terri Behr, Operations Manager, Board of Veterinary Medicine and Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant, Board of Veterinary Medicine, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Based on the information in the licensure file and discussion with Ms. Strokus, the SCC voted to issue an Order to reinstate the license of Callie L. Strokus, LVT, to practice as a veterinary technician in the Commonwealth. The hearing adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

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Taryn Singleton, LVT

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Leslie Knachel, Executive Director

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CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 1:37 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Taryn Singleton, LVT, Chair
Constance Pozniak, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Jan Willis, Administrative Proceedings Division
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant
Anne Joseph, Administrative Proceedings Division

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Michele R. Oates, LVT applicant for reinstatement**
License No.: 0302000808
Case No.: 149398

DISCUSSION: Ms. Oates was present in accordance with a notice of Informal Conference dated December 26, 2013. Ms. Oates was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the background investigation and Ms. Oates's application for reinstatement of her license to practice as a veterinary technician in the Commonwealth.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Dr. Pozniak, the Special Conference Committee recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Michele R. Oates, LVT.** Additionally, it was moved that Jan Willis, Administrative Proceedings Division, Anne Joseph, Administrative Proceedings Division, Terri Behr, Operations Manager, Board of Veterinary Medicine and Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant, Board of Veterinary Medicine, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Based on the information in the background investigation and the licensure file and discussion with Ms. Oates, the SCC voted to issue an Order to reinstate and place a reprimand on the license of Michele R. Oates, LVT, to practice as a veterinary technician in the Commonwealth. The hearing adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

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Taryn Singleton, LVT

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Leslie Knachel, Executive Director