

UNAPPROVED DRAFT
BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
INFORMAL CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 20, 2008
HOTEL ROANOKE AND CONFERENCE CENTER
ROANOKE, VA

CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jana Froeling, DVM - Chair
John Wise, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth Carter, Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division

OTHERS PRESENT: Gail Murphy
Walt Bloomer
Kathy Lorens
Christopher Stevens

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Eric C. Lorens, DVM**
License #: 0301006012
Case No. - 107454

DISCUSSION: Dr. Lorens appeared before the Committee in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated January 14, 2008. Dr. Lorens was represented by counsel, Christopher Stevens. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Lorens.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Dr. Wise, 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 **Eric S. Lorens, DVM**. Additionally, it was moved that Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division, and Terri Behr, Operations Manager, 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 Investigative Report and discussion of the case with Dr. Lorens, the Committee dismissed the case. The hearing was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Jana Froeling, DVM

Elizabeth A. Carter, Ph.D., Executive Director
for the Board

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CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 10:35 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: James DeBell, DVM - Chair
Henry McKelvin, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth Carter, Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division

OTHERS PRESENT: Jane Rogers, L.P.C.
Annie Corkill
Michael Goodman, Esq.
Troy Henshaw and Dr. Pade by speaker phone

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Constance C. Houk, DVM**
License No.: 0301002725
Case No.: 116996

DISCUSSION: Dr. Houk appeared before the Committee in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated February 11, 2008. Dr. Houk was represented by counsel, Michael Goodman. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Houk.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Dr. McKelvin, 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 **Constance C. Houk, DVM**. Additionally, it was moved that Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division, and Terri Behr, Operations Manager, 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 Investigative Report and discussion of the case with Dr. Houk, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and ordered that the license of Dr. Houk be placed on probation with certain terms and conditions and that this matter be continued generally. The hearing adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Dr. Houk unless a written request to the Board for a Formal Hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Dr. Houk within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

James DeBell, DVM

Elizabeth A Carter, Executive Director

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CALL TO ORDER: An Informal Conference Committee of the Board was called to order at 12:40 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: James DeBell, DVM - Chair
George Siemering, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth Carter, Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division
Keith Dressler, Senior Inspector

OTHERS PRESENT: Billie Perdue
Chris Mangles
Dianna Mangles

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Alvin E. Early, DVM**
License No.: 0301001875
Case No.: 105382

DISCUSSION: Dr. Early appeared before the Committee in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated January 17, 2008. Dr. Early was not represented by counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the notice with Dr. Early.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Dr. Siemering, 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 **Alvin C. Early, DVM**. Additionally, it was moved that Cynthia Gaines, Administrative Proceedings Division, and Terri Behr, Operations Manager, 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 Investigative Report and discussion of the case with Dr. Early, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and ordered that Dr. Early be reprimanded, assessed a monetary penalty of \$2000 and was ordered to fulfill other terms and conditions. The hearing adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such Order on Dr Early unless a written request to the Board for a Formal Hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Early within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

James DeBell, DVM

Elizabeth A Carter, Executive Director