

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE  
MINUTES  
EQUINE DENTAL TECHNICIAN COMMITTEE  
JUNE 13, 2007**

- TIME AND PLACE:** The Equine Dental Technician Committee meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, Richmond, VA.
- COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jana Froeling, DVM - Chair  
John Wise, DVM
- STAFF PRESENT:** Elizabeth Young, Executive Director  
Terri H. Behr, Operations Manager  
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst  
Jack Kotvas, Assistant Attorney General
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Lindsay Potts  
Kelly Gottschalk, DVM  
Jayme Leonard  
Ken Fletcher  
Debbie Linton  
Taryn Singleton, LVT  
Susan Seward
- DISCUSSION:** The Committee, with the assistance of Ms. Yeatts, began discussion of formulating regulations in response to HB2363.
- The discussion began with Section B regarding the criteria that a person must meet in order to be registered as an equine dental technician.
- A form must be submitted by two Virginia licensed veterinarians which will (1) verify that their practice is at least 50% equine and (2) verify that the equine dental technician is competent to practice.
  - Hold current certification from the IAED or a Board approved training
  - An equine dental technician could be grandfathered if they have been practicing for at least five years and show evidence of practice, which could

be a statement from horse owner, a statement from a Virginia licensed veterinarian, a business license, tax form, etc. They must also show proof of continued competency requirements of 16 hours of continuing education within the five years prior to registration.

The Committee determined that they will work on defining "Board approved training program and that AEDTA will obtain information on some accredited programs to submit to the Committee for consideration.

The Committee discussed Section C and determined their goals for regulations in this section.

- Determine tasks restricted by the Board
- Define routine dental work
- The Committee determined that routine dental maintenance should not include cutting or chipping teeth or extractions of rooted teeth.
- The Committee determined that "nor work on a horse that has not been sedated by a Virginia licensed veterinarian" to the end of line 57 in the Bill.

The Committee discussed the criteria for registration of equine dental technicians.

- The application will contain the standard application questions found on the applications for veterinarians and veterinary technicians.
- The fees discussed would be \$100 for the initial application, \$50 for renewal and \$20 for late fee. A reinstatement fee was discussed, but not decided on.
- The continued competency requirements would be 16 hours of continuing education in equine dentistry related subjects every 3 years. The documentation of CE should be maintained for a period of 5 years.

The Committee also determined that language appropriate to equine dental technicians should be added to §150-20-140 in the regulations under Unprofessional Conduct.

**ADJOURN:**

The Committee meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

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Jana L. Froeling, DVM, Chair

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Elizabeth C. Young, Executive Director