

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
MINUTES
FORMAL HEARING
OCTOBER 18, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER: A quorum of the Board of Veterinary Medicine (Board) was called to order at 1:23 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, Henrico, VA.

PRESIDING OFFICER: Joseph May, DVM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kelly Gottschalk, DVM
Taryn Singleton, LVT
Constance Pozniak, DVM
Mark Johnson, DVM
Carole Stadfield

QUORUM: With six members of the Board present, a quorum was established.

STAFF PRESENT: Leslie Knachel, Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant
Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division
Charis Mitchell, Esq., Assistant Attorney General
Pat Sheehan, Enforcement
Deborah Pearson, Finance

OTHERS PRESENT: Amy Stewart.
Michael Donner, Esq.

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Roy L. Joyce, DVM**
License No.: 0301002030
Case No.: 138307

Dr. Joyce appeared before the Board in accordance with a Notice of Formal Hearing and Statement of Particulars dated July 14, 2011. Dr. Joyce was represented by counsel, Michael Donner, Esq. Peter Opper, Esq., Adjudication Specialist represented the Commonwealth. Charis Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. The proceedings were recorded by a certified court reporter, Calvin J. Addison, RPR, CRR, with Crane-Snead & Associates, Inc.

CLOSED SESSION:

On properly seconded motion by Dr. Gottschalk, the Board recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Roy L. Joyce, DVM**. Additionally, it was moved that Charis Mitchell and Leslie Knachel 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 of Virginia, the Committee reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

On properly seconded motion by Dr. Gottschalk, the Board voted unanimously to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as read by board counsel. On properly seconded motion by Ms. Singleton, the Board voted unanimously to continue the suspension of the license of Dr. Joyce for sixty days from the entry of the Order. At the expiration of the sixty days, Dr. Joyce may apply for reinstatement of his license, at which time a hearing will be convened with the burden on Dr. Joyce to demonstrate to the Board that he has continued to address his alcohol, drug and psychiatric problems.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Formal Hearing adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Joseph A May, DVM – President

Leslie L. Knachel, MPH, Executive Director