

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
MINUTES
FORMAL HEARINGS
OCTOBER 17, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER: A quorum of the Board of Veterinary Medicine (Board) was called to order at 12:00 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, Richmond, VA.

PRESIDING OFFICER: Kelly Gottschalk, DVM

MEMBERS PRESENT: James DeBell DVM
Taryn Singleton, LVT
Constance Pozniak, DVM
Mark Johnson, DVM
Joseph May, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Leslie Knachel, Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant
Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division
Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General
Deborah Pearson, Finance
Anita Watkins, Finance
Venita Gee, Finance
Vicky Fox, Enforcement

MATTER SCHEDULED: **Brian T. Donohue, DVM**
License No.: 030100725
Case No.: 144260

Dr. Donohue appeared before the Board in accordance with a Notice of Formal Hearing and Statement of Particulars dated September 5, 2012. Dr. Donohue was not represented by counsel. Peter Opper, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Charis Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. The proceedings were recorded by a certified court reporter, Elizabeth Aliff, with Farnsworth & Taylor.

CLOSED SESSION: On properly seconded motion by Dr. May, 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 **Brain T. Donohue, DVM**. Additionally, it was moved that Charis Mitchell, Leslie Knachel, Terri Behr

and Brandy Gasparotto 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 Ms. Singleton, a majority of the Board, with Dr. Pozniak being the dissenting vote, voted to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as proposed by Mr. Opper and to deny reinstatement of the license of Dr. Donohue.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Formal Hearing adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Kelly J. Gottschalk, DVM – Vice-President

Leslie L. Knachel, MPH, Executive Director