

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE  
PUBLIC HEARING  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS  
RICHMOND, VA  
AUGUST 10, 2005**

**TIME AND PLACE:** The Public Hearing was called to order at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of the hearing was to receive public comment on fast-track regulations to require a rabies certificate to indicate a 28-day waiting period for effectiveness.

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** John T. Wise, DVM – President

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**STAFF PRESENT:** Elizabeth A. Carter, Ph.D., Executive Director  
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**OTHERS PRESENT:** Wayne Welpé  
Robin Schmitz  
Taryn Singleton  
Jayme Leonard  
Debra Linton  
Andrea Russell

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Mr. Welpé presented public comment on the need for veterinarians to inform their clients about the different options and risk for rabies vaccinations.

**ADJOURN:** The hearing adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

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John T. Wise, DVM, President

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