## VIRGINIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE FORMAL HEARING MINUTES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

BOARD ROOM 4 HENRICO, VA JANUARY 17, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Virginia Board of Veterinary

Medicine (Board) was called to order at 10:47 a.m., on January 17, 2019, at the Department of Health Professions (DHP), Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Board Room 4, Henrico, Virginia.

PRESIDING OFFICER: Steven B. Karras, DVM, President

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ellen G. Hillyer, MPH, DVM

Mark A. Johnson, DVM

Mary Yancey Spencer, Esquire

Tregel Cockburn, DVM

Autumn Halsey, LVT, President Bayard A. Rucker, III, DVM

OUORUM: With seven members of the Board present, a quorum

was established.

STAFF PRESENT: Leslie L. Knachel, MPH, Executive Director

Kelli Moss, Deputy Executive Director

Terri H. Behr, Discipline/Compliance Specialist

BOARD COUNSEL: Charis A. Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General

COURT REPORTER: Andrea Pegram with Andrea Pegram Court Reporting

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PARTIES ON BEHALF OF

THE COMMONWEALTH: Claire Foley, Adjudication Specialist, Administrative

**Proceedings Division** 

OTHERS PRESENT: Kendra Grey, PharmD

**COMMONWEALTH'S** 

WITNESSES: Debbie Houpt, LVT
Carolyn Kutzer, DVM

James Wall, Senior Investigator (by phone)

**MATTER SCHEDULED:** 

Dorian Gavor Collins, DVM

Case No.: 189570

Dr. Collins did not appear before the Board in accordance with a Notice of Formal Hearing dated December 4, 2018. Dr. Collins was not represented by legal counsel. Ms. Foley presented evidence that sufficient notice of the Formal Hearing was given to Dr. Collins, so the Board proceeded in his absence. The Board received evidence from the Commonwealth regarding the allegations in the Notice.

**CLOSED SESSION:** 

Dr. Cockburn moved that the Board convene a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(27) for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Dorian Gavor Collins, DVM**. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Knachel, Ms. Moss and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**RECONVENE:** 

Dr. Cockburn moved that the Board certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The Board reconvened in open session pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3712(D).

**DECISION:** 

Dr. Cockburn moved to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as presented by the Commonwealth, amended by the Board and read by Ms. Mitchell. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. Dr. Hillyer moved to issue an Order to continue the indefinite suspension of Dr. Collins' license and to stay the suspension upon proof of Dr. Collins' entry into, and compliance with, the Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

## ADJOURNMENT:

The Formal Hearing adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Steven B. Karras DVM, President

Leslie L. Knachel, MPH, Executive Director