

**INDIANA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**  
**Discovery Hall, Suite 100**  
**1202 East 38<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46205**

**MINUTES OF THE JULY 25, 2025, MEETING**

Jerry Rodenbarger, D.V.M., Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with IC § 25-38.1-2-5 (c), pursuant to public notice posted at the principal office for the Board, online on the board's website and on the state calendar at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the meeting.

Members Present: Steven Sunbury, D.V.M., Member  
John Schnarr, D.V.M., Member  
Kelly Peelman, D.V.M., Member  
Natalie Goodwin, Consumer Member  
(left at 1:00 p.m.)  
Jerry Rodenbarger, D.V.M., Chair  
Bret Marsh, D.V.M., State Veterinarian,  
Technical Advisor

All members who attended  
participated in person.

Member(s) Absent: Paul Clemente, D.V.M., Vice Chair  
Ashli Selke, R.V.T., Member

Staff Present: Laura A. Turner, JD, Board Director  
Clarence Leatherbury, JD,  
Deputy Attorney General  
Office of the Attorney General

The Board voted to adopt the agenda.  
Motion to Adopt Agenda.  
Schnarr first; Sunbury second; 4/0/0  
Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin, Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

The Board voted to approve the April 18, 2024, meeting minutes.

Motion to Approve April 18, 2024, meeting minutes.

Sunbury first; Schnarr second; 4/0/0

Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:

Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin, Rodenbarger

The following board members objected: none

The following board members abstained: none

### **NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE APPEALS**

#### **Scott Emch, DVM, License No.24004890A**

Dr. Emch appeared electronically for his appeal of the Notice of Noncompliance ordered by the Board due to his CE audit noncompliance. The court reporter for this matter was Margie Addington for Accurate Reporting Services. Dr. Emch stated he did not believe he received the two CE audit notices. Therefore, he changed his email with the Board to a different email account to ensure he receives them in the future. Dr. Emch provided the CE required for the renewal period. The Board stated they would accept his CE but require Dr. Emch to pay the fine on his Notice of Noncompliance.

The Board voted to deny Dr. Emch's appeal.

Motion to Deny Appeal.

Schnarr first; Peelman second; 5/0/0

Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:

Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger

The following board members objected: none

The following board members abstained: none

#### **Nina Fischer, DVM, License No.24008712A**

Dr. Fischer appeared electronically for her appeal of the Notice of Noncompliance ordered by the Board due to her CE audit noncompliance. The court reporter for this matter was Margie Addington for Accurate Reporting Services. Dr. Fischer stated she submitted well over 40 hours for her rotating internship, which she considered a self-study program. Dr. Fischer was licensed in 2021. Therefore, she would only be required to complete 20 hours of CE, with 10 hours allowed for self-study. Dr. Fischer then presented the Board with evidence of over 12 non-self-study CE hours, enough to meet her CE audit requirement.

The Board voted to strike the Board's Notice of Noncompliance.

Motion to Strike Notice of Noncompliance.

Goodwin first; Sunbury; 5/0/0

Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

**Craig Griffin, DVM, License No.24008366A**

Dr. Griffin did not appear electronically or in person for his appeal of the Notice of Noncompliance ordered by the Board due to his CE audit noncompliance. The court reporter for this matter was Margie Addington for Accurate Reporting Services.

The Board voted to issue a Motion for Proposed Default.  
Motion for Proposed Default.  
Rodenbarger first; Sunbury second; 5/0/0  
Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

**Adreienne Robertson, DVM, License No.24006987A**

Dr. Robertson appeared electronically for her appeal of the Notice of Noncompliance ordered by the Board due to her CE audit noncompliance. The court reporter for this matter was Margie Addington for Accurate Reporting Services. Dr. Robertson testified that forgetting to submit the CE was an oversight and ultimately her error. She stated she had no problem paying the fine and submitting the CE.

The Board voted to deny Dr. Robertson's appeal.  
Motion to Deny Appeal.  
Peelman first; Sunbury second; 5/0/0  
Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

**Adam Vernengo, DVM, License No.24006537A**

Adam Vernengo appeared electronically for his appeal of the Notice of Noncompliance ordered by the Board due to his CE audit noncompliance. The court reporter for this matter was Margie Addington for Accurate Reporting Services. Dr. Vernengo testified he does not look at emails. He stated he sends letters when needed. Dr. Vernengo stated he had the CE completed. The Board informed Dr. Vernengo that

they would accept the CE but still require the fine.

The Board voted to deny Dr. Vernengo's appeal.  
Motion to Deny Appeal.  
Peelman first; Schnarr second; 5/0/0  
Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

**Charles Schnepf, DVM, License No.24004191A**

Charles Schnepf appeared in person for his appeal of the Notice of Noncompliance ordered by the Board due to his CE audit noncompliance. The court reporter for this matter was Margie Addington for Accurate Reporting Services. Dr. Schnepf testified that he did not see the two emailed audit notices but already had the CE completed. The Board stated they would still require the fine.

The Board voted to deny Dr. Schnepf's appeal.  
Motion to Deny Appeal.  
Peelman first; Sunbury second; 5/0/0  
Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

**PERSONAL APPEARANCES**

**Robert Medlock, DVM, 2024 VB 0008**

Dr. Medlock appeared in person and without counsel. He testified that he is working with the Indiana Veterinary Wellness Program. He further testified that his criminal probation is supposed to end November 27, 2024, but his veterinary license will continue probation for another year to enable the Board to receive reports from the Indiana Veterinary Wellness Program and to monitor his progress. The Board thanked Dr. Medlock for his appearance.

**Shelby Dilley, VTNE Retake**

Shelby Dilley appeared in person and without counsel. Ms. Dilley testified she graduated from Indiana Business College in April 2022. Currently, she is working at IndyVet and studies with the veterinarians there. Ms. Dilley is requesting to take the VTNE a 5<sup>th</sup> time.

The Board voted to approve Ms. Dilley's retake of the VTNE a 5<sup>th</sup> time.  
Motion to Retake VTNE a 5<sup>th</sup> time

Sunbury first; Peelman second; 5/0/0  
Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

**Kristen (Wills) McGuinness – positive response review on application**

Ms. McGuinness appeared in person and without counsel regarding a positive response to her application for a Registered Vet Technician in the State of Indiana. Ms. McGuinness testified that when she was 19, she caused an accident resulting in a fatality due to her DUI. That accident resulted in a fatality. She stated she served time in prison and was then on house arrest for a year. Currently, she maintains a leadership role at IndyVet. Ms. McGuinness testified she works with a team and trains them in various areas.

The Board moved to approve licensure.  
Motion to Approve Licensure  
Peelman first; Sunbury second; 5/0/0  
Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

**ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

**Daren Miller, DVM; 24007619A; 2023 VB 0009**

Daren Miller appeared in person, and without counsel, due to an Order to Show Cause filed by the State of Indiana, through the Office of the Attorney General, by Deputy Attorney General Brittany McMahan. The court reporter for this matter was Margie Addington for Accurate Reporting Services. Dr. Miller testified that since his last appearance before the Board, he relapsed on alcohol. He attended a 28-day inpatient therapy and later attended intensive outpatient therapy. He stated he still attends intensive outpatient therapy. Dr. Miller agreed to the Board's request to be accessed by the Indiana Veterinary Wellbeing Program.

The Board moved to find Mr. Miller in violation of his probation order.  
Motion to Find Violation of  
Probation Order  
Goodwin first; Sunbury second; 5/0/0  
Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger

The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

The Board further moved to extend Dr. Miller's probation with no opportunity to request to withdraw from probation until on or after August 8, 2027. Dr. Miller shall be evaluated by the Indiana Veterinary Wellbeing Program within 60 days of receipt of the Final Order and enter into an agreement with the Indiana Veterinary Wellbeing Program if warranted.

Peelman first; Sunbury second; 5/0/0  
Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

**Alexander Brooks Cartright, DVM; 24006241A; 2023 VB 0008**

Alexander Brooks Cartright, DVM, was represented by counsel Rori Goldman, electronically, with the State of Indiana being represented by Deputy Attorney General Brittany McMahan regarding a mutually agreed upon settlement agreement filed before the Board. The court reporter for this matter was Margie Addington for Accurate Reporting Services. The proposed settlement required Dr. Cartwright to take two courses, one recommended by Dr. Clemente, Board Liaison. A letter of reprimand was also recommended in the proposed settlement agreement.

The Board moved to approve the settlement agreement.  
Motion to Approve Settlement  
Agreement  
Sunbury first; Schnarr second; 5/0/0  
Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

**CONTINUING EDUCATION APPLICATIONS**

**Conflict Management between Staff and Clients**

After discussion, the Board voted to approve the Continuing Education application for Conflict between Staff and Clients.

Motion to approve.  
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5/0/0 Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

### **Healing Touch for Animals**

After discussion, the Board voted to deny the Continuing Education course due to the course not following the requirements of 888 IAC 1.1-10-4.

Motion to deny.  
Schnarr first; Peelman second  
5/0/0 Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

### **Michiana Animal Rehabilitation Services**

After discussion, the Board voted to approve the Continuing Education application for Michiana Animal Rehabilitation Services.

Motion to approve.  
Sunbury first; Rodenbarger  
second;  
5/0/0 Motion carries.

The following board members voted aye:  
Peelman, Schnarr, Sunbury, Goodwin,  
Rodenbarger  
The following board members objected: none  
The following board members abstained: none

### **DISCUSSION**

The Board discussed the Continuing Education audit for RVTs and decided the following:

1. For RVTs that are short on their CE requirements, the fine will be \$50.00 for every 4 hours the licensee is short of the required 16 hours. Additional CE hours may be required as well depending on the circumstances.
2. Notices of Noncompliance shall be sent out to those who did not complete their CE requirements.
3. Notices of Noncompliance for DVMs that did not complete CE will be addressed in January 2025.

## **REPORTS**

The Board reviewed the following reports:

1. Dr. Bret Marsh, D.V.M., State Veterinarians' Report.
2. The Attorney General Office's Report.
3. The Board Director's Report.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The Board decided the next Indiana Board of Veterinary Medicine meeting would be held on October 31, 2024.

There being no further business, the Board ADJOURNED at 2:19 p.m.

*Britney J. McMahan* for  
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Dr. Jerry Rodenbarger, D.V.M., Chair