

**MINNESOTA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**  
**2829 University Ave. SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414**  
**Conference Room A, Fourth Floor**

**AGENDA**  
**SPECIAL EMERGENCY BOARD MEETING**  
**March 19, 2007**  
**6:30 p.m.**

1. Call to order
2. Discussion of S.F. 1289 and H.F. 1633
3. Opportunity for public input
4. Adjourn

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL EMERGENCY BOARD MEETING, March 19, 2007

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Jeremy Geske, Dr. Meg Glattly, Dr. John Lawrence, Dr. Fred Mehr, Dr. Mike Murphy, Ms. Susan Osman, Dr. Joanne Schulman

OTHERS PRESENT: Dr. John King and Donna Carolus, Staff; Sebastian Stewart, Attorney General's Office

The Board of Veterinary Medicine met on March 19, 2007, in Conference Room A, Fourth Floor, University Park Plaza, 2829 University Ave. SE, Minneapolis, MN. President Joanne Schulman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting was to receive public input on S.F. 1289 and H.F. 1633 and determine the Board's position on the bills. Public input was given by the following individuals:

Austin Figge - horse breeder/owner, wants to assume responsibility for whomever he hires, does not feel public protection by the board is necessary; horse owner network will assure that only quality work is done, anyone doing poor work will go out of business

Jim Johnson - tooth floater, received exemption from law in 2005 practice act change

Dr. Tom Hagerty - Chair, MVMA Governmental Affairs Committee, opposes amendment as written, definitions are unclear and too broad

Lee McGrath - attorney, Institute for Justice, health professions should not be regulated

Dr. Julia Wilson - animal owner, horse owner, veterinarian, professor of equine veterinary dentistry at U of M, equine dentistry should not be performed by lay people

Pamela Anderson - animal science degree, horse owner, horse massage (retired), wants choices, protection is not needed

Mia Fury, horse owner, fears limitation of choices in the future

Dr. Tracy Turner - representing MN Horse Council, also a veterinarian, horse owner, farrier, teeth floating is a small part of dentistry and lay dentists are unknowingly performing a disservice

Dr. Bob Dietl, small animal veterinarian, MVMA member, horse aspect is too narrow a focus, practice act should not be changed

Board discussion followed. Dr. Lawrence moved that the board totally oppose the language in HF 1633 and SF 1289. Dr. Glattly seconded. Discussion followed. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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Fred Mehr, DVM  
Secretary-Treasurer