DOCKET NO. DK2017-007

IN THE MATTER OF § TEXAS BOARD OF

THE LICENSE OF § VETERINARY

JOHN CRAIG WOOD, D.V.M. § MEDICAL EXAMINERS

AGREED ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners ("Board") considered the matter of the license of John Craig Wood, D.V.M. ("Respondent").

Respondent, without admitting the truth of the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law set out in this Order, waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order. Accordingly, the Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and enters this Order as set forth below.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent, John Craig Wood, D.V.M., of Lufkin, Texas, holds Texas veterinary license #6544.

2. On March 21, 2016, Board investigators conducted an on-site investigation of Respondent at Lone Star Veterinary Clinic. Respondent is the owner of the clinic. The investigation revealed that Respondent did not have an accurate balance on hand for ketamine. The last recorded balance on hand in the controlled substance log showed a recorded balance of 98.57 mls on February 17, 2016. The actual balance on hand was 10 mls.

3. Following the inspection, Respondent stated that facility used a separate clipboard log to document ketamine use, and occasionally transferred this information into the controlled substance logs. The ketamine clipboard logs provided by Respondent showed that 16.9 mls were used between February 17, 2016 and the inspection on March 21, 2016, which calculates to a recorded balance on hand of 81.67 mls. The actual balance on hand was 10 mls. This means that the facility could not account for approximately 71.67 mls of ketamine. Because Respondent’s controlled substance log for ketamine did not match the amount of the ketamine on hand in the clinic at the time of the inspection, Respondent could not accurately monitor whether diversion was occurring.

4. At the time of the inspection, Respondent held a DEA license and ordered controlled substances for the facility. Respondent does not have prior violations of a similar nature.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 801, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter. Respondent is required to comply with the provisions of the Veterinary Licensing Act, Chapter 801, Texas Occupations Code, and with the Board’s Rules. Respondent received notice
as required by law.

2. Respondent has violated Board Rule 573.50 of the Board’s Rules of Professional Conduct by failing to maintain an accurate balance on hand for ketamine. The violation is the inaccurate balance, not the method of Respondent’s controlled substance logs.

3. Respondent has violated Section 801.402(6) of the Veterinary Licensing Act, Texas Occupations Code.

4. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Texas Occupations Code, Sections 801.401(a), and 801.451.

5. Pursuant to Board Rule 575.25, Respondent’s violations are Class B violations, and Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under that Rule.

**TERMS OF ORDER**

Now, therefore, the Board and Respondent agree to the following terms:

1. **REPRIMAND**
   
   a. Respondent is hereby formally reprimanded by the Board. This formal reprimand may be published in the Board’s newsletter and routinely reported to the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB) for inclusion in the national reporting database.

2. **ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY**
   
   a. Respondent shall pay an administrative penalty of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) within 30 days of the date the Board approves this Order. Payment shall be made directly to the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners at 333 Guadalupe Street, Suite 3-810, Austin, Texas 78701. Partial payments will not be accepted.

   b. If Respondent does not timely pay the administrative penalty, the Board may deny a request to renew Respondent’s license until the outstanding administrative penalty is received, pursuant to Board Rule 573.62(b). Any monetary funds paid to the Board to renew a license shall first be applied to any outstanding unpaid administrative penalties, pursuant to Board Rule 571.57. Additionally, the matter may be referred to the Attorney General for collection, pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Section 801.458.

3. **ADHERENCE TO THE LAW AND BOARD RULES**
   
   a. Respondent shall abide by the Board’s Rules of Professional Conduct, the Texas Veterinary Licensing Act, and the laws of the State of Texas and the United States.

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b. Respondent shall cooperate with the Board’s attorneys, investigators, compliance officers and other employees and agents investigating Respondent’s compliance with this Order.

c. Failure by Respondent to comply with the terms of this Order, or with any other provisions of the Veterinary Licensing Act or the Board Rules, may result in further disciplinary action.

The effective date of the terms of this Order shall be the date it is adopted by the Board, unless stated otherwise.

Certification and signature page follow.
RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order and understand the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of law set forth herein. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) herein. I understand that this Order contains the entire agreement, and there is no other agreement of any kind. I waive the right to any further proceedings, including a formal hearing, and the right to seek judicial review of this Order.

I understand that this Order is subject to approval by the Board. I understand that the terms and conditions of this Order become effective upon approval by the Board. A copy of the approved Order will be mailed to me. By signing this Order, I agree to satisfactorily comply with the terms and conditions of the Order in a timely manner. I understand that if I fail to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, I will be subject to investigation and appropriate disciplinary action as a result of my noncompliance.

Signed this 

11th day of July, 2017.

John Craig Wood, D.V.M.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 11th day of July, 2017.

SEAL:

Toni Barnes
Notary Public of Texas
My Comm. Exp. 07/05/2020
Notary ID 393604-9

THEREFORE, the Texas Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners does hereby adopt this Order. This Order is effective and final on this 10 day of October, 2017.

Jessica Quillivan, D.V.M., Presiding Board Member

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