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# ANNUAL REPORTS AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE JAMAICA VETERINARY BOARD FOR THE YEARS ENDED MARCH 31, 2007 - MARCH 31, 2010

The matters for tabling in the Houses of Parliament are the Annual Reports and Audited Financial Statements of the Jamaica Veterinary Board for the years ended March 31, 2007 – March 31, 2010. These reports are being tabled in Parliament in accordance with the provisions of the schedule to Section 3 of the Veterinary Act.

## 2. FUNCTIONS OF THE JAMAICA VETERINARY BOARD

The functions of the Board are:

- to register veterinary surgeons and enroll animal health assistants;
- to regulate the training of persons for enrolment as animal health assistants;
- to appoint examiners to conduct such examinations in respect of persons applying for registration as veterinary surgeons and persons applying for enrolment as animal health assistants as may from time to time be necessary under the provisions of the Veterinary Act;
- a. to ensure the maintenance of acceptable standards of professional conduct by persons registered as veterinary surgeons or enrolled as animal health assistants, as the case may be, under the Veterinary Act

## 3. REGISTRATION OF VETERINARIANS

In fulfilling one of its core functions, the Board registered several veterinarians that were successful in both the National Examination for Registration of Veterinarians (NERV) and the interviews. This was concluded over the period March 31, 2007 – March 31, 2010.

The Board registered eighteen (18) persons to practice veterinary medicine over the four-year period under review. In addition to the permanently registered veterinarians for the four-year period, an aggregate number of seven (7) veterinarians were temporarily registered to practice in Jamaica. They were reported to be from the Mystic Aquarium, Remote Area Medical and World Vets. All are found in the United States. The registrations by year were as follows:

Year	No. of Permanent Registrations	No. of Temporary Registrations
2006/7	3	1
2007/8	2	0
2008/9	7	1
2009/10	6	5

### 4. SUPPLEMENTAL TRAINING PROGRAMME

Over the review period, a Supplemental Training Programme was instituted to assist graduates from the People's Friendship University of Russia (PFUR) to properly prepare for and meet the requirements of the National Examination for Registration of Veterinarians. Within the financial year ended March 31, 2010, the Supplemental Training Programme was renamed the Special Veterinary Internship Programme (SVIP). It was reported that the budget for this programme by year 2009/10 was five hundred and ninety-four thousand dollars (\$594,000.00).

## 5. **VETERINARY ACT**

For the period under review, the Veterinary Act was reviewed and the proposed amendments submitted to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

### These amendments included:

- i. The need to make the Act gender neutral and the term 'Veterinarian' was considered most applicable
- ii. The change of certain terminology used in the Act, more specifically:
  - a. Animal Health Assistant to be changed to Veterinary Technician
  - b. Veterinary Surgery to be changed to Veterinary Medicine
- iii. Functional changes, namely;
  - a. To register Veterinarians and to enroll Veterinary Technicians
  - b. To ensure the maintenance of acceptable standards of professional conduct by Veterinarians and Veterinary Technicians
  - c. To ensure the maintenance of minimum standards for facilities at which the practice of veterinary medicine is conducted
- iv. The establishment of a system of grades for Veterinary Technicians under terms to be determined by the Board; this would also include their training requirements. The Board emphasized the role and responsibility of the Veterinarian under whose supervision these persons would fall
- v. An increase in the fines recommended in the Act
- vi. Outlining the constitution of the Board and its responsibilities as well as those of the Appeal Tribunal

## 6. SALARY AND EMOLUMENTS

The salaries and emoluments of the directors are included at appendices I to IV. There are no senior executives employed to the Jamaica Veterinary Board. The Registrar performs the administrative functions.

## 7. AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Auditor General audited the financial statements of the Jamaica Veterinary Board. Over the four-year review period, the auditors have stated that proper accounting records have been kept and that the Receipt and Payment Statements are a fair representation of the financing transactions of the Jamaica Veterinary Board.

8. The 2007-2010 Annual Reports and Audited Financial Statements of the Jamaica Veterinary Board are hereby submitted to be tabled in the Houses of Parliament in accordance with the provisions of the schedule to Section 3 of the Veterinary Act.

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# **DIRECTORS COMPENSATION YEAR 2009/10**

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Total (\$)	85,500.00	49,500.00	53,625.00	45,375.00	41,250.00	180,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	485,250.00		
All Other Compensation including Non-Cash Benefits as applicable (\$)						*180,000.00	*30,000.00		210,000.00		
Honoraria (\$)											
Motor Vehicle Upkeep/Travelling or Value of Assigned Motor Vehicle (\$)									0.00	ï	
Fees (\$)	85,500.00	49,500.00	53,625.00	45,375.00	41,250.00				275,250.00		
Position of Director	Board Chairman	Board Member 1	Board Member 2	Board Member 3	Board Member 4	Registrar 1	Degistrar 2	Registrar 3	Total		

# Notes

- 1. The Jamaica Veterinary Board is made up of the Chairman, four (4) Board Members and a Registrar
  - 2. In November 2009 the Ministry of Finance and the Public Service decreased the emolument to the
    - Registrar from \$40,000/month to #36,000/month. \*Registrar's Emolument.
- Registrar 3 received no compensation in the period under review. Compensation for the period November 2009 -March 2010 was paid in June 2010 (F/Y 2010-2011).

# **DIRECTORS COMPENSATION YEAR 2008/9**

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Position of Director	Fees (\$)	Motor Vehicle Upkeep/Travelling or Value of Assigned Motor Vehicle (\$)	Honoraria (\$)	All Other Compensation including Non-Cash Benefits as applicable (\$)	Total (\$)
Board Chairman	123,500.00				123,500.00
Board Member 1	60,500.00				60,500.00
Board Member 2	66,000.00				66,000.00
Board Member 3	56,250.00				56,250.00
Board Member 4	50,875.00				50,875.00
Registrar				*450,000.00	450,000.00
Total	357,125.00	0.00		450,000.00	807,125.00

# Notes

- The Jamaica Veterinary Board is made up of the Chairman, four (4) Board Members and a Registrar
   \*Registrar's Emolument.

Appendix III

# **DIRECTORS COMPENSATION YEAR 2007/8**

Total (\$)	142,500.00	81,000.00	82,500.00	88,000.00	77,000.00	480,000.00	951,000.00	
All Other Compensation including Non-Cash Benefits as applicable (\$)						*480,000.00	480,000.00	
Honoraria (\$)	*							
Motor Vehicle Upkeep/Travelling or Value of Assigned Motor Vehicle (\$)							0.00	4
Fees (\$)	142,500.00	81,000.00	82,500.00	88,000.00	77,000.00		471,000.00	
Position of Director	Board Chairman	Board Member 1	Board Member 2	Board Member 3	Board Member 4	Registrar	Total	

Notes

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   \*Registrar's Emolument.

# DIRECTORS COMPENSATION YEAR 2006/7

614,500.00	390,000.00		0.00	224,500.00	Total
390,000.00	*390,000.00				Registrar
28,500.00				28,500.00	Board Member 4
30,500.00				30,500.00	Board Member 3
48,000.00				48,000.00	Board Member 2
47,000.00				47,000.00	Board Member 1
70,500.00				70,500.00	Board Chairman
Total (\$)	All Other Compensation including Non-Cash Benefits as applicable (\$)	Honoraria (\$)	Motor Vehicle Upkeep/Travelling or Value of Assigned Motor Vehicle (\$)	Fees (\$)	Position of Director

# Notes

- 1. The Jamaica Veterinary Board is made up of the Chairman, four (4) Board Members and a Registrar
- \*Registrar's Emolument.

Appendix I

**DIRECTORS COMPENSATION YEAR 2013/14** 

Position of Director	Fees (\$)	Motor Vehicle Upkeep/Travelling or Value of Assigned Motor Vehicle (\$)	Honoraria (\$)	All Other Compensation including Non-Cash Benefits as applicable (\$)	Total (\$)
Board Chairman	99.750.00				99,750.00
Board Member 1	53.625.00				53,625.00
Board Member 2	45.375.00				45,375.00
Board Member 3	53.625.00				53,625.00
Board Member 4	16,500.00				16,500.00
	20.903.22			*20,903.22	20,903.22
Registrar 2	351,000.00			*351,000.00	351,000.00
	640,778.22	0.00		371,903.22	640,778.22

# Notes

1. The Jamaica Veterinary Board is made up of the Chariman, four (4) Board Members and a Registrar

There are no Senior Executives on this Board

- \*Registrar's Emolument.
   Directors Fees are paid less income tax of \$89,625.00

# **DIRECTORS COMPENSATION YEAR 2014/15**

Appendix II

Position of Director	Fees (\$)	Motor Vehicle Upkeep/Travelling or Value of Assigned Motor Vehicle (\$)	Honoraria (\$)	All Other Compensation including Non-Cash Benefits as applicable (\$)	Total (\$)
Board Chairman	99,750.00				99,750.00
Board Member 1	41,250.00				41,250.00
Board Member 2	57,750.00				57,750.00
Board Member 3	53,625.00				53,625.00
Board Member 4	0.00				0.00
Registrar	324,000.00			*324,000	324,000.00
					0.00
Total	576,375.00	0.00		324,000.00	576,375.00

# Notes

- 1. The Jamaica Veterinary Board is made up of the Chariman, four (4) Board Members and a Registrar There are no Senior Executives on this Board
- \*Registrar's Emolument.
- 3. Directors Fees are paid less income tax of \$84,125.00