

**University of California, Davis – School of Veterinary Medicine  
Student Chapter of the American Veterinary Medical Association  
Executive Board Meeting  
Wednesday, 21 January 2009**

**Call to order:** Mike Saksen calls meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**Members present:** Mike Saksen, Rachel Kaplan, Jenna Fransioli, Lauralea Colamussi, Chris Ryan, Omar Cabrera, Dr. Karl Jandrey, Tracy Alexander, Marissa Francis, Sarah Smolley, Scott Hamilton, Casille Batten, Kevin Jepsen-Grant, Georgette Shields, Roxann Brooks

December 2008 SCAVMA board minutes reviewed and approved.

**Sx Pack Pricing Discussion:**

How many pieces need sharpening:

4 sets of scissors, 2 blunt sharps, 1 mayo, 1 metzenbaum – contents of sx pack.

Based on quote - \$25 for sharpening estimate fee every year per pack.

How much do we want to hold on to for insurance of the packs.

Price of brand new packs:

Price of used packs: \$200 each – 10 packs

1. Make a motion to Section D in the proposed amendment to change the sx pack rental fee to \$75 and they will get back \$50 and we will keep \$25 for sx pack maintenance purposes.

Motion seconded.

Motion carries.

2. Make a motion to Section E in the proposed amendments that sx groups will also be responsible for the replacement cost of lost and/or damaged items.

Motion seconded.

Motion carries.

3. Make a motion to add Section F to the proposed sx amendment: Replacement of sx instruments must be purchased through SCAVMA or must be of a brand and quality from an approved list by SCAVMA.

Motion seconded.

Motion carries.

4. Make a motion to change Section F to G to the proposed sx amendment.

Motion seconded.

Motion carries.

2/3 vote to pass the proposed Surgery Pack constitutional amendment – amendment passes (see Addendum at end of Minutes for full amendment).

Discussion:

Omar has a problem with this program not making any money.

That is the bulk sharpening price.

Anything not used for sharpening and cleaning will be refunded.

Omar comments that other schools SCAVMA presidents run their SCAVMA more like a business and take any opportunity they have to make some money.

Dr. Jandrey understands that the purpose is to provide a service but there is nothing wrong with making money and that a \$5 service charge is reasonable.

**President's Report:** (Mike Saksen)

- ❖ Celeste brought to his attention that there are Robert's Rules of Order to adhere to at Delegate Meetings. Roberts Rules for Dummies came out recently. Mike apologizes for not adhering to them that strictly but he prefers to keep our meetings more informal.
- ❖ Elections: Send out another meeting to the school. Tell your friends. Make a list of the current people in those positions. CVMA Rep is inherited. 4<sup>th</sup> years – anything they can do besides a class rep – no a class rep is sufficient. If we can elect the Jr. Delegate next month because they need to come to symposium for sure. Marissa and Jason are going in to pitch to the first years about symposium.
- ❖ Scholarship through American Vet Medical Association (AVMA) so keep your eyes open.

**Vice President's Report:** (Danielle Dito)—not present.

**Secretary's Report:** (Lauralea Colamussi)

- ❖ March 4<sup>th</sup> – elections. Chris Milligan will get the deadline for us in regards to the SCAVMA Scholarships.

**Treasurer's Report:** (Jenna Fransioli)

- ❖ We got the refund back from IRS – we were charged \$5,00 for not submitting correct tax forms for 06-07 – wrote a letter appealing the penalties and we received a majority of the money back – an accountant will do it this year to avoid any complications.

**SAVMA Delegates:** (Rachel Kaplan, Sr. & Jason Woods, Jr.)

- ❖ Microchip & Rabies Vaccine Clinic – \$1800 was raised and there are leftover rabies vaccines that can be used for an additional clinic fundraiser—the canine vax expire this summer and the feline vax expire next year.
- ❖ Symposium – 15 people registered so far – expecting 20-25 total to go. Enough hotel reservations for 60 so plenty of space. Rooms at the Red Roof Inn across the street from convention center so no buses. All the delegates are staying there with free breakfast. Posted times and places where academic events will be taking place.
- ❖ Marissa – wants more communication to the classes promoting the event rather than just the fundraising. We are making the bid so it would be great to have support.
- ❖ March 8<sup>th</sup> – Sunday for next Dog Wash with Dr. Kendall. March 6<sup>th</sup> for Meat Market. Reschedule for talent Show b/c of Easter – bump to Picnic Day weekend on that Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> or Friday the 17<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ Email from student at Missouri to try and start a vet Spanish class – since ours has been discontinued she can no longer find a syllabus. Is there anyone who has taken the schedule before – there was no syllabus. Allie Jones and Robin Chadwin should be contacted.
- ❖ Email for Teaching Excellence Awards given out by SAVMA voted on in Symposium – only requirement is that the person is an AVMA member – one award for excellence in basic sciences and one award in clinical sciences – less than one month to get it together. Use an antidote. Sending an email out.

**CVMA Representative:** (Tracy Alexander)

- ❖ Sales tax proposal on vet services which would be 10% on vet services added on – CVMA is really against this – CVMA needs help contacting the legislature and the governor expressing your opposable to it – he stated it in his state of the state address – it needs 2/3 in assembly and senate to pass – contact assembly person or state senator – she will send out an email on ways to do this – contact governor's officer and series of prompts and press buttons to respond. Class reps go back to encourage everyone to express their disapproval of this – only health service included in this tax added with golf and furniture. Celeste will send a copy of a letter that she wrote so that others can sign it and send it in.
- ❖ Leaving for Joint Board of Governors meeting in Newport Beach – good turnout.
- ❖ CVMA bandaging wetlab scheduled for April 9<sup>th</sup> for the evening in Gourley.

**Legislative Liaison:** (Marissa Francis)

- ❖ Nothing to report.

**Waggie Editor Report:** (Allie Jones)—not present.

**Webmaster:** (Tomo Wiggans)—not present.

**1<sup>st</sup> year SCAVMA Representatives:** (Sarah & Scott)

- ❖ Gathering picnic day theme for the float.

**2<sup>nd</sup> year SCAVMA Representatives:** (Eric & Casille)

- ❖ Pharm night - April 10<sup>th</sup> Friday at Veteran's Memorial Hall – email will go out next week for save the date – the only thing they plan on changing is to sell tickets before the day of in order to sell more.

**3<sup>rd</sup> year SCAVMA Representatives:** (Adrienne & Georgette)

- ❖ Class gift to the VMTH – benches and trees are not a good idea because they require too much maintenance for the school.

**4<sup>th</sup> Year SCAVMA Representatives:** (Justin & Rosie)—not present.

**Graduate Professional Student Representatives:** (Jess Morgan)

- ❖ Nothing to report.

**Dr. Ilkiw:** Not present.

**Dr. Puschner:** Not present.

**Dr. Jandrey:** Invited speaker who is coming Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> so RSVP for dinner – veterinary researcher coming from University of Illinois Medical School – awesome pathophysiology talk that Dr. Jandrey went to in September – the way we learned about it with the cascade is being replaced by new knowledge and technology being done by this veterinarian – high power cutting edge research, very clinically oriented – sponsored by Pfizer. High power research with clinical slant.

**Committee Reports (SAVMA Symposium Bid Committee)** (Rachel, Jason, Jenna & Lauralea)

- ❖ Erin Seay and Chris Milligan will come to the Event Planning Meeting with the conference center staff – renting out all of the hotels in Davis.
- ❖ Ideas for Keynote speakers: Olympian from the 80s whose father is a veterinarian and she loves to do meetings. Ellen DeGeneres' Vet and Maria Shriver. A friend of the school – Dr. Jandrey will ask the Dean's Office for some suggestions.
- ❖ Tainted Love to come play as one of the evening events for the Symposium.

**Committee Reports (Pet Food Committee)** (Mike)

- ❖ First distribution for reps will be next Monday huge combo Hills one. More cash boxes needed (two more needed for a total of four).
- ❖ Deficits are from the bookstore as it is continuing to lose money and we will have to modify our agreement with them as they are not able to continue doing supplying SCAVMA money each year (which has historically been SCAVMA's whole budget) – extra programs including the Sx Pack Program and Finals Breakfast Money, increased PDF money.
- ❖ Students are requesting numbers/percentages in terms of the SCAVMA budget: this information can be printed in the Waggie but no specific figures can be given to the students per AVMA bylaws.
- ❖ Pay per bag – most food companies would prefer that – probably going to move to that at some point. Intermediate step between where the food companies want to be and where the students want to be.
- ❖ Mikes profits from the bookstore – we get a certain percentage of his profits whether or not they are from pet food – he buys the bags from us and he sells them above the cost – he pays us 50% of retail and marks them up 62%. Mike is on board for the selling pet food and we may lose the bookstore completely if we don't do something. 2011 and 2010 has gone back toward the printed syllabus – this is another place where that a potential source of revenue. Binding the syllabi is another option. Professors are given the pressure to be green. Mike is open to ideas/suggestions and is very cooperative – it is really up to the students and the professors.

**Committee Reports (Mentor Committee)** (Jason)—not present.

**Committee Reports (Public Relations Committee)** (Chris & Rachel)

- ❖ Everyone loved the bagels and coffee at finals and it was a huge hit! Only improvement could be more coffee. More cream cheese and less butter. Jenna and Rachel – thank you from Chris. Noah’s was great to work with. Scrubs got the coffee at a very competitive rate.
- ❖ Ideas for events for this quarter – write up something for the Waggie.

**Committee Reports (Speaker Committee) (Sam & Jen)**—not present.

**Committee Reports (Dog ‘N’ Jog): (Jenna & Lauralea)**

- ❖ Still waiting on checks from Bayer and Iams. Still trying to figure out campus events.
- ❖ Motion to change the name of the Dog N Jog committee to the One Health Initiative Committee.
  - Motion seconded.
  - Motion carries.

**Committee Reports (Josh Project): (Sarah)**

- ❖ No response from anyone except one donation that was from Sarah’s mom. Ideas on how to make things easier. Historically this fundraiser is low – Western starts in Jan and goes all the way to Dec and advertises every month and has individual fundraisers – they take pictures with students handing the kits out to the kids in the hospitals. Western may also get the DO students involved. Why do we only fundraise within the school?
- ❖ Josh project – possibly get a co-chair
- ❖ Dr. Jandrey wants to stir up a competition against the med and vet school – we got ONE MEDICINE together – get PR together for this. PR committee can get an event together such as Picnic day to advertise.
- ❖ If there was a ONE HEALTH CLUB formed – and opened this up as a club it would be an instant pool to draw from for the DNJ and Josh Project. Public Health Club could be recruited to be involved. A lot of people are interested in therapy dogs and such and start a therapy club and getting student dogs trained to be therapy dogs. It is not difficult to take your dog to the med center in Sac.
- ❖ For next holiday season, you can market it as give a donation to the Josh Project in the name of someone else. Dr. Jandrey loves this idea and would buy 20 for his friends and family.
- ❖ Remind next year’s SCAVMA reps to talk about it. Advertise it at the Doxie Derby. Include the Josh Project in the Doxie Derby fundraiser ideas.

**Committee Reports (Yearbook Committee) (Jenny)**—not present.

**Old Business**

- ❖ Promised a pizza party for the food drive and the first years won – so SCAVMA needs to set this up. Just need a date that is good for the first years.

**New Business**

1. Does SCAVMA want to partner with Hills again for the Big Win? SCAVMA helped promote it through class announcements and for the winning class a pizza party was thrown and paid for by SCAVMA. Last year was the first year Davis was in the top 6.
2. National Pet Dental Health Month – Hills wants to do an event and bring in a speaker to talk about TD and dental health. It would cost SCAVMA nothing and would be a good PR event.
3. Third year student feedback per 2010 SCAVMA Rep: Thank you to Dr. Pascoe for helping out during 407 labs – thank you to Erin Seay for assisting students with disabilities and rearranging the schedule.
4. Senior Buddy program needs someone to take it over next year. Wants help in passing the torch and would like to make it a proposal at the next meeting.
5. Externships are eligible for PDF funds and through SAVMA students are eligible for funds. Confusion about whether current fourth years can apply or not – third years can apply as soon as you know and after the fact – resend this email.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.**

Lauralea Colamussi  
SCAVMA Secretary