CVM Liaison Committee  
4-5-17  
11:30 am – 1:30 pm  
VMC Room 458

Minutes

Members Present
David Lee, DVM
Anna Ruelle, DVM (via teleconference)
Bill Venne
Maria Pieters, DVM
Betty Kramek, DVM

Staff Present
Dan Tjornehoj
Kelly Andrews

Introductions were done at 11:50 am.

Minutes

CVM Liaison Minutes from June 7, 2017 were approved.

CVM Updates

Dates of upcoming events – April 19 – scholarship ceremony – 1st Saturday of May is commencement, upcoming White Coat Ceremony next Saturday, April 15. Most graduating students have multiple job offers and some get offers even in their 3rd year.

Build Mentor Pool – Usefulness for students and Methods

The CVM had 40 mentors in 2016. The need for more mentors is not about quantity as much as it is about disciplines. The MVMA could help by providing more mentors of large animal disciplines. Also by providing methods to mentor other than in person would be helpful. Active veterinarian that are available to meet monthly in some manner and be able to meet in person at the beginning and end of mentorship. Connect with Bill Venne to develop the parameters around a mentor pool.
Develop a “Job Fair” & Training for Members (on Work Benefits, Hiring Packages, etc.)

When do corporate practices start their job fairs? Late November early December is the time period. October would be a good time period for the MVMA to hold a job fair. October a time to set up open externships for students too. Those could have an externship to “try out” the practice. The CVM would like to build the externship list. In swine and dairy, companies are looking for the students in their 3rd year of school. VBMA graduation in the Spring is another place to meet the new soon to be graduates and 3rd year students. Advertise to capture 25-30 clinics for the space available. Advertise that first and then let students know what practices types we have. Simple meet and greet. Interviews could be set up ahead of time or use the fair to set up interview.

Job Fair Task Force – David Lee, Anna Ruelle, VBMA point person – set up a task force meeting date. Explore possibility of a Job Fair timed with a seminar by Lance Roasa in October 12-13. Thursday night seminar by Lance Roasa for members. David will contact Dr. Roasa to see if he is available to do night seminar for members – we will explore whether this will be recorded. We could check with AVMA to help with this as well. AAHA could also be a resource.

VHA – Economics Summit and Craguns – September 17-18 – We can advertise there.

Re-work Welcome Back BBQ – Task Force of this committee with Alumni group?

Cindy reported before meeting that we will have it at the Livestock Pavilion and will be held September 8, Livestock already reserved. Can we make sure that no classes are ending at noon on this day? Alumni society will advertise to all alumni. Use more posters around the CVM. Invite the volunteers from state fair as a thank you. Have activities – LIKE GOALEE. Invite the young new graduates.

Alumni and MVMA board members could personally invite 2-3 people. Reach out to the GOALEE group – Dr. Churchill and Ponder, Tim Goldsmith are potential faculty to help.
Appoint a Student Tuition task force to identify opportunities
Invite Dr. Bartels back for 2018. Many steps have already been taken in the direction of educating on student debt.

MVMA Meeting with 4th year students - brainstorm
Dan asked if there is an opportunity in the spring of the year for the MVMA to get in front of the 4th year students.
Do get in front of the 3rd year students during the White Coat Ceremony. Coach the MVMA President to say more about the MVMA during his/her speech.
Get in touch with 4th year class reps to sponsor Navle review session. This would be a method to get them together. Ask Dr. Molgaard’s office.

MVMF Scholarship Application Update (Scholarships paid in April)
Kelly described for the committee the new process for the MVMF scholarship check distribution in April and that we had 50 applications this year from students.

Other
Dr. Lee described someone from academic affairs to lead the CVM Liaison Committee. Ask Dr. Molgaard to give us best recommendations to chair or co-chair this committee.
Discuss student attendance at MVMA Annual Meeting with Dr. Molgaard. Dr. Lee will do this.
Increasing diversity in the veterinary community is another topic that this committee could address.
Maria Pieters will volunteer on any task forces as needed.

Adjourn at 1:16 pm.

CHARGE – Strengthen relationship between MVMA and student, faculty and graduate veterinarians. Identify and support collaboration between MVMA and University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine. Promote and foster communication.