

MVMA Board of Directors
Hilton Hotel, Minneapolis, MN
December 7, 2018, 11:00 a.m.
MINUTES

Attendees

David Fell, DVM	Beth Thompson, DVM
Sharon Hurley, DVM	Rob Memmen, DVM
Matt Boyle, DVM	John Baillie, DVM
Ann Brownlee, DVM	Julie Wilson, DVM
Joni Scheftel, DVM	Andrew Keller
Nancy Peterson, DVM	
Jim Winsor, DVM	
John Howe, DVM	

Staff

Dan Tjornehoj, Kelly Andrews

I. Call to Order

President Dr. David Fell called the meeting to order at 11:10 am. Kelly and Dan led the discussion with a review of the strategic plan action plan worksheet and committee list (see attached documents)

II. Minutes

The minutes of the October 4, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes (and Executive Committee Meeting of Nov. 13, 2018) were distributed, reviewed and were approved as amended.

III. Treasurer's Report

Dr. Winsor provided an overview of the financial and investment statements that were distributed to members. He reviewed the current fiscal year financials, investments and highlighted certain items in the financials.

Motion: MVMA financial report was reviewed and approved by the board.

MVMA Awards

The following individuals and animals were selected to receive awards:

Veterinarian of the Year – Dr. John Lillie, Jr.
Distinguished Veterinary Service – Dr. John Piehl
Emerging Leader – Dr. Megan Schommer
Outstanding Industry Rep. – Kristi Johnson
Outstanding U of M Faculty – Dr. Laura Molgaard

Hero animal – Sadie
Professional animal – Morrie
Companion - Fred

IV. CVM, Board of Vet. Med. and Board of Animal Health Report

Dr. Trevor Ames submitted a written report since he was absent and out of town. Dr. Julie Wilson indicated that the upcoming legislative session involves approval of the Board of Veterinary Medicine's budget. She said that her board will be reviewing the PMP issue. She has been involved in an equine assistance program in Honduras. She highlighted an animal carcass disposal issue in MN.

Dr. Trevor Ames was not present but provided a handout that summarizes the current activities at the CVM. MVMA staff noted that a joint reception of the MVMA and CVM is planned for October 29th at the college.

Dr. Beth Thompson provided an update on several areas that the BAH is involved with including emergency planning for ASF, LPAI incident, CWD update, commercial breeder report, and recent USAHA meeting.

Student Rep. Andrew Keller reported that students are approaching finals and he will be working to recruit students to the MVMA convention.

V. Membership Report

Dr. Matt Boyle provided a report on new members. Staff also provided a dashboard of membership data.

Motion: The list of new MVMA members was approved by the board.

VI. AVMA Report

Dr. Howe reported on a recent trip to Rhode Island to meet with veterinarians in that state. He highlighted AVMA membership growth, opioid shortage issue, marijuana use by pets in certain states, dues increase expected. He encouraged members to go to the AVMA's website (www.avma.org) for current information. He indicated that the AVMA VLC registration is up from last year. Drs. Hurley and Boyle noted that the Veterinary Leadership Conference is coming up in January. The AVMA veterinary forum program has been effective in getting member input on various issues. Resolutions and bylaw changes will be addressed at the January VLC.

VII. Other Business

Dr. Memmen provided an update of the Professional Success Task Force and POTL activities. He highlighted some of the activities planned through the Pro Success Task Force in 2019 including Twins game, Brewery event, Arboretum event, etc.

Dr. Fell reported on the November 13th Government Affairs Committee meeting and the recommendations from that meeting including the 2019 legislative agenda (attached) and language approved for the veterinary immunity legislation.

Motion to approve the recommendation from the GAC for the 2019 MVMA legislative agenda and immunity bill language to be introduced in the 2019 legislative session was approved.

Dr. Krienke provide a report from the MVMF including the recommendation from the MVMF to approve their slate of candidates to serve on the MVMF board.

Motion to accept the MVMF slate of new board members including Drs. Jerry Sprau, Paul Draheim, Zach Loppnow, Laura Pritzker, and Jeremy Smith was approved.

The next board meeting will be on February 6th @ 2:00 pm with dinner to follow.

Motion to adjourn at 5:15 p.m. was approved.