

**MVMA Board of Directors**  
**Hilton Hotel, Minneapolis, MN**  
**February 6, 2019, 2:00 p.m.**  
**MINUTES**

**Attendees**

David Fell, DVM	Linda Glaser, DVM
Sharon Hurley, DVM	Rob Memmen, DVM
Matt Boyle, DVM	John Baillie, DVM
Ann Brownlee, DVM	Julie Wilson, DVM
Joni Scheftel, DVM	Andrew Keller (student rep)
Nancy Peterson, DVM	Tom Hagerty, DVM
Jim Winsor, DVM	Connie Sillerud, DVM
Jessica Fox, DVM	Tim Krienke, DVM
John Howe, DVM	Jennifer Schurrer, DVM
Mary Olson, DVM	Matt Dodd, DVM
Ashley Morgan, DVM (guest)	Doug Kratt, DVM (guest)
Jerry Sprau, DVM	David Lee, DVM
Trevor Ames, DVM	Randy Ackman, DVM (guest)

**Staff**

Dan Tjornehoj, Cullen Sheehan (lobbyist)

**I. Call to Order**

President Dr. David Fell called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm. Dan reviewed the key components of the strategic plan. He also highlighted MVMA and MVMF convention activities.

**II. Minutes**

The minutes of the December 7, 2018 board meeting were distributed, reviewed and were approved by the board.

**III. Treasurer's Report**

Dr. Winsor and Dr. Sprau provided an overview of the financial and investment statements that were distributed to members. They reviewed the current fiscal year financials, investments and highlighted certain items in the financials. The McNamara Company insurance agent described the cyber coverage additional option.

*Motion: MVMA financial report was reviewed and approved by the board. The board also approved adding cyber coverage for the MVMA's protection.*

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

Dr. Trevor Ames reported on activities of the CVM including initiatives with the legislature. Dr. Julie Wilson indicated that the upcoming legislative session involves approval of the Board of Veterinary Medicine's budget. She indicated that there are three seats available at the Board of Vet. Med. and invited board members to consider candidates for these seats.

Dr. Linda Glaser with the Board of Animal Health provided an update on several areas including a CWD update, low path. A.I. incident in western MN, and state audit report.

Student Rep. Andrew Keller reported on student club activities, VeTouch program, VBMA event in the spring, and white coat ceremony in April.

## **V. Membership Report**

Dr. Matt Boyle provided a report on new members. He highlighted the lapsed member situation and said he would be sending the lapsed member list to board members to review. There was also an inactive member status request.

*Motion: The list of new MVMA members was approved by the board. The inactive member (Dr. Ann Burrell) request was approved by the board.*

## **VI. AVMA Report**

Dr. Howe reported on AVMA activities. He highlighted AVMA membership growth, VLC event report, and dues increase expected. He encouraged members to go to the AVMA's website ([www.avma.org](http://www.avma.org)) for current information. Drs. Hurley and Boyle reported on the Veterinary Leadership Conference. The AVMA veterinary forum program has been effective in getting member input on various issues. Resolutions were reviewed from the recent VLC.

## **VII. Committee/Task Force Reports**

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, Can Can Wonderland event, etc.

He provided a report of the Power of Ten program. He also reported on MOVE activities planned in 2019. He noted that their activities are currently planned to be under budget. Dr. Ashley Smit, a Power of Ten member, reported on her VLC experience.

Dr. Hagerty and Cullen Sheehan reported on MVMA legislative activities including the 2019 MVMA legislative agenda items.

Dr. Schurrer reported on the CE Committee activities including highlighting convention topics and speakers. She and Dr. Olson updated members on the VetPMP project and activities planned during the convention.

Dr. Dodd provided a report of the Food Animal Committee noting that the January CE event in Alexandria went well. He also mentioned that the committee is concerned about the Board of Pharmacy's fee splitting provision.

Board members reviewed the draft letter to Pet Cremation of MN. The board decided to consult with VHA regarding their activities and this cremation organization.

Guests, Dr. Randy Ackman (IA) and Dr. Doug Kratt (WI), were given time to share their activities in their state. Dr. Kratt is a candidate for AVMA president-elect position.

The next board meeting will be on April 17 @ 1:00 pm at the MVMA office.

*Motion to adjourn at 5:30 p.m. was approved.*