

College of Veterinarians of British Columbia

COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: Saturday, March 03, 2012

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

CVBC Office, North Vancouver, B.C.

MINUTES

Council Members in attendance: Dr. Ken Gummesson, Dr. Chris Armstrong, Dr. Avtar Ubi, Dr. Teresa Cornish, Dr. Ben Weinberger, Mr. David Dewhirst and Mrs. June Clark.

CVBC Staff in attendance: Dr. John Brocklebank and Ms. Louise Crowe

Regrets: Mr. Bob Kucheran

PROCEEDINGS

1. CALL TO ORDER: 9:20 AM

2. ROUTINE PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

2.1 Approval of Agenda

MOTION R120301: THAT the Agenda for the March 3, 2012 Council meeting be approved with the power to add. **CARRIED**

2.2 Election took place, with new Council members being:

President: Chris Armstrong

Vice President: Avtar Ubi

Secretary Treasurer: Tracy Cornish

Committees

Agenda Committee – Avtar (Chair) / Tracy

Communications Committee – June / Chris / John / Louise

LAC – Chris (Chair) / David / Ken

HRC – Avtar (Chair) / David / June / Ben

Governance – Tracy (Chair) / Bob / Ken / John

Finance – Tracy (Chair) / Dan Thompson / Suann Hosie / Drew Hilts

2.3 Approval of Minutes

MOTION R120302: THAT the minutes of the January 20, 2012 Council Meeting are approved with corrections. **CARRIED**

Note: Dr. Tracy Cornish and Dr. Ben Weinberger abstained from voting on these minutes.

2.4 Task list - list noted

- a separate list was requested for the next meeting

3. REGULAR OFFICE REPORTS & BUSINESS

3.1 President's Report (verbal) now Past President

Attended WAVA discussed registration process and the possibility of being more harmonized across the country. MVMA banned ear cropping. Communications with Ministry – new contact Gavin Last also RJ Senko on the political side. Looking at providing assistance on bylaws.

Consent resolutions back 5 years are to be posted but a bylaw may be able to change what has to be posted. Answered a number of calls and emails from people angry over levies. Members seem to be more organized in their complaints against levies.

3.2 Operational Report

Review past minutes for reason for Social class to determine how it was intended to be used.

Contact PACE re a public campaign on dentistry –MGR

3.2.d CVBC will post a pdf file of current registrants to comply with Act. Online registry still pending but should be operational by May

3.3 BEEP Report (Chair – Dilbag Rana) - report noted

3.4 Registration Report - report noted

3.5 Change of Class Report - report noted

3.6 Facility Name

CVBC Policy on Names –perhaps registrants should go through Register of Companies before requesting a name from CVBC. Put into review/revision of bylaws.

MOTION R120303: THAT the name “Swiftsure Equine Veterinary Service Ltd.”, previously approved as a practice or practice facility name effective January 20, 2012, be changed to “Swiftsure Equine Veterinary Services Ltd.”. (no fee)

CARRIED

3.7 Closed Facility Report - Report noted

3.8 ACCT Report (Chair – Kevin Harris) - Report noted

3.9 Financial Report – need a forecast of expenses to year end.

4. OTHER SEMI-REGULAR REPORTS

4.1 IC Reports

- Chair Reports (Dave Kopp) - Report received
- Dismissed complaint reports – provided as handouts
- Closing letters

Online reports have been made more concise in line with other self-regulating bodies. Bylaws required to define what should be posted to the website.

4.2 PIC Report – non-compliance with SA 2011 – list noted

Policy: to be developed to provide Chair a means to remove committee members if not contributing.

MOTION R120304: THAT Dr. Pavitar Bassi is removed from the Practice Inspection Committee, effective March 3, 2012. **CARRIED**

MOTION R 120305: THAT Dr. Bob Moats is appointed to the Practice Inspection Committee, effective March 3, 2012. **CARRIED**

MOTION R 120306: THAT Dr. Bob Moats is appointed as an Inspector to the Practice Inspection Committee, effective March 3, 2012. **CARRIED**

MOTION R 120307: THAT Motion R120306 is repealed as it is not needed. **CARRIED**

4.3 NEB Report (not available until after March mtg.)

4.4 HRC Report – verbal

4.5 Update from Heenan Blaikie – LAC (verbal)
- new tracking report from HB noted

4.6 Discipline Committee resignations

Dr. Tracy Cornish resigned from the DC effective February 10, 2012.
Dr. Robert Galloway resigned from the DC effective January 27, 2012.
Dr. Carol Morgan resigned from the DC effective December 25, 2011.

4.7 RACs – noted as posted on the website

4.8 UAP (verbal)

5. CONTINUING BUSINESS

IN CAMERA AND/OR PRIVILEGED

5.1 Hearing file #09-02

NOT IN CAMERA

5.2 Advertising/Marketing

- OTC products & VCPR – Selling online
- In clinic promotion – currently there are no bylaws that address this it is up to the clinic/vet
- Bylaw task force (Dave Kopp expressed an interest) There is a need to develop updated rules and bylaws around advertising and marketing. Current regulation is unenforceable. Ask Gov how they get public members for committees then advertise for public and veterinarians to participate in a task force. Start with asking Dave, Nick Shaw & Louise (as a non-veterinarian).

5.3 Governance policies

Eli Mina had started but nothing further has been done. Provide copy to Tracy and Ben. Governance Committee to review.

5.4 Ground Rules for Public Communications & Council

Example: assume positive intent.

Purpose is to know what to expect from one another – June will start with an email and ask for more input.

5.5 College Bylaws- options HRC to review

Dep Reg will send letter of thanks for proposal received.

5.6 Cosmetic Surgery – Ear Cropping – provided Tracy & Ben with the AWC guidelines

Great deal of discussion around cosmetic surgery and specifically ear cropping. Would like a bylaw drafted to put before Council at next Council meeting.

5.7 Dental extractions – letter from a registrant

Discussion around who can perform dentistry and what can be delegated. Information on the kind of care the pet should receive. Better information on website for the public is needed.

Dep Reg will send a letter to registrant advising this is being looked at.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Wildlife Culling

Not in our mandate, perhaps Ministry of Environment and or SPCA
Also CVMA (Dep Reg to advise CVMA)

6.2 PCA & Vet duty to report

The information provided is too general. The concern is about some of the 'gray areas'. What needs to be reported? Suggest that the AWC meet with the SPCA to draft guidelines for vets. Ask what SPCA and Crown Council plan to prosecute. Ken to contact AWC

6.3 Prov. Gov. taxes, expenditures & Vets- noted his concerns

6.4 Honorariums

Accept expense claim for PIC Chair and ensure that there is a clear understanding in future. Provide information to Chair - MGR

6.5 Provision of Emergency Service - no definition of what is reasonable

Dep Reg to send letter to owner suggesting she speak to her vet

6.6 WCVM student Rep.- no

Future possibility of a volunteer ex-officio maybe a 3-5 yr grad and if that position were filled they could be moved over to a committee

6.7 PIPSC – Dr. Hassansadeh

Ken spoke with him and explained that this would require a bylaw change which in the previous act we were not able but could be done under the new act. Dr. H. would be

interested in being on a task force regarding this. Ken to advise he can be on a task force if it should be formed.

6.8 Insurance Coverage – information noted.

6.9 Letter from College of Chiropractors of B.C. – letter noted.

6.10 Request from SBCV

Respond to Ilona Rule of SBCV that CVBC will hold an AGM & Town Hall meeting in conjunction with the CVMA-SBCV event - MGR

6.11 Business Arising - Council Meeting Dates

Friday, March 30, 2012
Saturday, May 5, 2012
Saturday, June 16, 2012
Saturday, August 18, 2012
Saturday, September 22, 2012
Friday/Saturday, November 2/3, 2012 (Sheraton Guildford)
Saturday, December 15, 2012
Friday, January 18, 2013
Saturday, March 2, 2013

6.12 CVBC Program

To have meetings in three different areas of the province such as Interior, Vancouver Island and Lower Mainland. Look into costs – MGR

ADDED TO AGENDA

Urgent request from Ministry of Agriculture for CVBC support of bill to amend the PCAA to move the appeal process (during seizures of animals in distress by the SPCA) from the Supreme Court to the FIRB - CVBC agreed to proposed news release indicating support for amendment.

7. SELF ASSESSMENT

8. ADJORNMENT: 6:12 PM



Chris Armstrong
President



Avtar Ubi
Vice-President
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