



**SVECCS GENERAL MEETING**  
*Teleconference*  
**7:00 pm EST, 6:00 pm CST**  
**January 8, 2012**

**Minutes**

**1. Call to Order by Joseph D’Abbraccio – Sunday January 8, 2012 7:06 pmEST**

**2. Present**

- i. President- Joseph D’Abbraccio, St. Matthew’s University
- ii. VP-Sarah- Smith, Michigan State University
- iii. Secretary- Heather Napolitano, St. Matthew’s University
- iv. Members-at large (2)- Anne Kelman, Ontario Veterinary College
- v. Members-at large (1)- Erica Fauth, Louisiana State University

**Not Present**

- i. Advisor-Dr. Gary Stamp, DVM, MS, DACVECC

**3. Old Business**

**Member-at-Large II**

**Vin Updates:** WMadison does not have an email list because they just send member names to an internal server. Since it is currently not a part of our constitution to have all member names, we should send a google doc to the president for each member to opt in to the Vin ListServ. Requested amendment to be put into constitution for all chapters to supply the national board with member list names and email addresses. This is to ensure that they are all receiving pertinent information such as the newsletter. Everyone can access the main sveccs vin board now.

**Chapter Updates:** Wisconsin-Madison is listed as inactive since they did not complete the survey. We shall give them active status for now with the understanding that if they do not complete the survey this year they will not be eligible for the IVECCS stipend. Tuskegee and UPENN are not responding.

**4. New Business**

## **Secretary**

Requested to send Donna the most recent updated Chapter Presidents/Contact list. Minutes from October and November motioned for approval. *Approved minutes.*

## **Member-at-Large II**

**VIN:** There has been a request to opt out of the ListServ so as not to get the daily digest. We can hold off on sending listserv emails so it doesn't flood everyone until we find out best way to proceed. BetaVin only send to everyone. Anne will check on the function as an option. Will ask Shilpa for a timeline when this will be fixed and see if we can have access to audit boards until digest function is refined. Anne will be sending out a welcome letter to members.

## **Member-at-Large I**

### **Newsletter:**

NC State interested in participating in newsletter. Joe will check with Chapter regarding Fall. In the next newsletter we would like to incorporate words of wisdom from ER ICU techs (tips on how to survive overnights, general day in the life, advice for students coming in for rotations/externships. Each board member will investigate their contacts to see if anyone would be interested in contributing. Verified that newsletter disbursement is March for Spring and May for Summer. Will add information about the new position so that people can run for it come April.

### **Website:**

FB icon missing from the homepage, but was intended to be that way due to the busyness of the page. Request to add minutes to the website. Once approved Heather will send to Erika. Educational grant info – Erika will work with Paul. Hope to finalize before next term. Scholarship info needs to be added - Heather will send email to Donna requesting information she mails to the University Deans. Erika will post the Educational Director position for next term.

## **VP**

We need to contact the AVMA to make sure to put our link on their website. Everyone needs to do a final run through of the constitution so we can approve all changes at the next meeting.

## **President**

### **Constitution:**

Requests that all board members do a final read-through of the constitution and submit any changes to Joe D'Abbraccio. We will vote on the new constitution at the next

meeting. One request is to change board member term to a September to September calendar.

### **New Chapters:**

Calgary – Joe D’Abbraccio motioned to accept the new chapter and their constitution. Sara Smith second the motion. Everyone in favor of accepting Calgary as a new SVECCS chapter.

RVC – Sara Smith motioned to accept the new chapter and their constitution. Heather Napolitano second the motion. Everyone in favor of accepting RVC as a new SVECCS chapter. Their conditions are a little different as they must go through their sports department per school policy. Condition was accepted.

### **JVECCS**

The board is asking VECCS to allow each chapter electronic access to JVECCS. Heather, Sara and Anne need to be added to the list. Per constitution for the board, they are to have online access. Email access codes to be disbursed to board members from Donna Sullivan. Sara will create a GoogleDoc for interested SVECCS members to request electronic access. This link will be uploaded to the “Contact Us” tab of the website.

### **Case Studies**

Requirements need to be specified and publicity needs to increase for submissions. Website should have this information and it should be sent out to all the chapters.

5.. **Adjourn – 8:07pm EST**