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2016 ACVAA Annual Business Meeting

GRAPEVINE, TX

AGENDA – in brief!

- Announcements and Congratulations
- Constitution and Bylaws Amendments
- Important Committee Activities
- Exam Re-Design and transition from Oral Exam
- VAA update
- NAVAS update
- ACVAA Budget and Financials
- Acknowledgements!

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Welcome New ACVAA Diplomates!

- Daniel Almeida
- Annatasha Bartel
- Alessia Cenani
- Bonnie Gatson
- Lane Johnson
- Yishai Kushnir
- Claudio Natalini
- Jordan Nickell
- Noah Pavlisko
- Daniel Sakai
- Rebecca Sayre
- Leon Warne
- Melina Zimmerman

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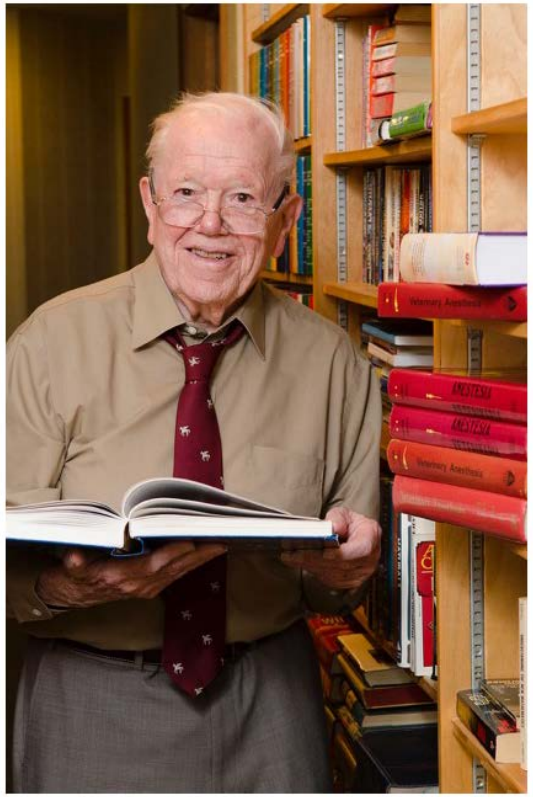
Career Achievement Award - **E. Wynn (Ginger) Jones MRCVS**

- Royal Veterinary College 1946
- PhD Cornell 1949
- Faculty 1951 Bristol Veterinary College
- 1954 Oklahoma State CVM – first large research group in veterinary anesthesia
- 1974 helped establish CVM at Miss State



ACVAA Resident Abstract Awards

- Dr. Heidi Lehman
  - Murdoch University
- Dr. Carrie Davis
  - University of Tennessee

- Thanks to:
  - ACVAA volunteers for judging
  - ACVAA Education Committee for reviewing abstracts
  - Odette O for mastery of organization!

ACVAA Foundation Research Grant Recipient

- Dr. Javier Benito, University of Montreal
  - Dr. Paulo Steagall, mentor

- Pharmacokinetics and analgesic effects of bupivacaine with dexmedetomidine or epinephrine after intraperitoneal administration in cats

- $5000

Board of Director Nominees – 2017-2020 term

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AT LARGE

- Sebastien Bauquier
- Lynelle Graham
- Odette O
- Jane Quandt
- Reza Seddighi

REGION 3

- Courtney Baetge
- Rose McMurphy

Constitutional Amendments

- Change wording from Honorary Diplomate to Honorary Member
  - Article V, Section 1.f
  - Bylaws Section 2.f

  - Rationale – to align with recommendations from ABVS that only those that have achieved diplomate status by the ACVAA credentialing and certification process should be conferred diplomate status

Bylaws Amendment – Committee on Education

- Section 4.B - The Committee on Education has overall responsibility for all educational offerings of the College at the Annual Meeting of the College or any other College sponsored events. These will include, but not be limited to, providing continuing education for College Diplomates pertinent to the practice of veterinary anesthesia and analgesia in all of its diverse aspects, thereby assisting Diplomates in life-long learning and self-assessment to meet requirements for continued diplomate certification. Attendance at the annual meeting will be credited towards maintenance of certification for diplomates. The Committee on Education may also participate in developing and selecting diplomates for ACVAA resident review/education programs and consult with other organizations in selecting ACVAA speakers or laboratory instructors.
- Section 4.C. Duties - Serve as a contact point and potential resource for any outside organization (e.g. AVMA, State VMAs, and NAVAS) involved in the planning of educational meetings.

Bylaws Amendment – Committee on Education

- Rationale - To make our bylaws consistent with current practices of this committee and to bring consistency to the coordination of Resident Reviews by the ACVAA

Bylaws Amendment – Credentials Committee

- Article 1. Membership and Examination
  - Section 2- Requirements for *certification as a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Anesthesia and Analgesia*

Requirements for applying for the ACVAA certification exam

- Application for admission to the examination must be made only after a veterinarian has completed 104 weeks or more of a clinical veterinary anesthesiology residency in an approved training program as outlined in the Residency Training Standards. *Thus, candidates may apply for the ACVAA certification exam after completing 2 of their 3 years of a residency program.* Application must be made to the Executive Secretary/Administrator on a form prescribed and provided by the College, through its website or executive secretary/Administrator, and must be filed on or before September 1 of the year prior to the date of the examination. Eligibility rulings are made by the Board of Directors of the College on recommendation of the Credentials Committee. *Candidates must be* of high ethical and professional standing as documented by letters of sponsorship and reference from credentialed specialists in veterinary anesthesiology or a field of medicine or veterinary medicine that requires a close working relationship with anesthesia resident trainees.

Bylaws Amendment – Credentials Committee

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- Rationale – to clarify that residents can apply for Credentials in their 2nd year with anticipation of taking the certification exam in their 3rd year provided requirements for case log, manuscript, and letters of evidence as to professionalism have been satisfied.

Committee Activities

Committee Activities – Credentials

- Pre-Residency Check List
  - To allow resident candidates and their mentors to better evaluate if they have met the requirements for pre-residency activities *prior to* submitting credentials
    - On ACVAA website under Documents and Forms

- Credentials Applications 2016
  - 18 applications: 12 accepted with no reservations; 6 accepted pending manuscript acceptance within or by 60 days prior to the written exam

Committee Activities - Education

- Increased size of committee in 2016

- Reviewed all abstract submissions for the ACVAA meeting
- Organized Resident Review day for 2016 ACVAA meeting
- Organized DACVAA – level CE for 2016 ACVAA meeting

Committee Activities -

AD HOC ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

- Private Practice Summit in 2016 and future
- Facebook page
- Lay article for pet-owning public…..in progress

ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE

- Generated survey regarding the Annual Meeting business dinner
- 48% response rate – thanks!!

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Committee Activities – Examination

- Venue in MSP in 2016
- MCQ and Essay components screened for over-lapping topics by Dr. Egger (president-elect)
- Cut Score panel worked with Prometric to determine a fair passing score for both MCQ and Essay portions
- 19 candidates sat the written examination, with 13/19 passing
  - 68.4% pass rate
- 16 candidates sat the oral examination, with 14/16 passing
  - 87.5% pass rate

Examination Committee – Thanks!

- Dr. Leigh Lamont – Chair of Examination Committee
- Dr. Mike Barletta – Chair of MCQ Committee
- Dr. Doris Dyson – MCQ data bank manager
- Dr. Erin Wendt-Hornickle – 2017 chair of Exam Committee and host for MSP venue
- Dr. Chris Egger for oversight of MCQ and Cut Score, + Exam Committee member
- The Cut Score Panel!

Moving away from the oral examination…

- Ad hoc Exam Re-Design Committee
  - Composed of DACVAA's with present and past significant involvement in the written and oral examination

- February meeting in Chicago
  - With Prometric
    - Discussed software options, question formatting options
    - computer based testing

July meeting in Chicago……

- ExamSoft® for software and alternative question formats
  - Electronic photos, videos, drag and drop, clinical case material, question threads with no 'go back' options, etc.

- Transition oral examination to a "clinical competency test"
  - 3 hour section of the written will be CCT – case based and scenario based question threads

July meeting in Chicago…

- Move to computer-based testing
  - Written "all in one" over 2 days. Centralized location on personal laptops.
  - No access to anything other than exam while logged in with personal code
  - second to second cloud storage

Exam Re-Design Timeline

Beta test 1

- 2016 oral exam
- Converted to CCT format – taken by dips

Transition Exam 2017

- 2017 written-no change to essay, reduced # MCQs
- Computer-based

Beta test 2

- 2017 oral exam – no change
- Converted to CCT format – taken by dips

Exam Re-Design Timeline

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- 2017 Beta test 2 of CCT fine tunes the format
- Early 2018

Computer Based CCT is born

MCQ and Exam Committees merge

- 2018 electronic bank of photos, videos, radiographs, etc. evolving

- 2018 computer-based written exam

All-in-One Credentialing Examination

What will the All-in-One Credentialing Examination look like?

COMPUTER BASED

- Day 1
  - AM – 150 multiple choice questions
  - PM – 6 written essays
    - Of which 5 must be answered

ONE OR MORE LOCATIONS (WITH DACVAA PROCTOR)

- Day 2
  - AM – 3 hours of CCT (clinical competency test)
  - PM – 6 written essays
    - Of which 5 must be answered

Veterinary Anesthesia and Analgesia

- Progress Report
- 246 submissions from 37 countries
  - Increased from 2015
- 43.7% acceptance rate
- Turnaround time average 44 days from submission to 1st decision
  - Average 16 weeks from 1st submission to final acceptance

VAA Awards

- 11 papers chosen by the VAA editors and judged by an independent panel
  - Langley Prize £500
  - Wiley-Blackwell Prize £250
  - Dechra Analgesia Prize £500

VAA Update

- 2017 move to Elsevier Publishing
  - Increased page numbers publishable/year
  - Increased stipend and travel $ for AVA and ACVAA editors
  - Better rates for ACVAA members
    - online option less $ than print option
  - VAA app

- Deputy and Section Editors will be added to balance workload

NAVAS Update

- Logo design and website development *in progress*
- Incorporation as non-profit *in progress*
  - *pro-bono work by attorney, so only filing fees will apply*
- NAVAS Board of Directors will be developed late 2016?
  - 3 ACVAA diplomates will be nominated by ACVAA for 1, 2, and 3 year terms

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INCOME

- Dues
  - $90,000
- Exam fees
  - ~$20,500
- VAA royalties
  - ~$23,000

INCOME

- Sponsors
  - $1500
- IVECCS registration
  - $6755 (2015)
- Practitioner CE Endorsement fee
  - $2000

ACVAA Financials

EXPENSES

- Written Exam
  - $11,672
- Oral Exam
  - $17,094
- Prometric
  - $10,500

EXPENSES

- MCQ Database management
  - $2000
- ExamSoft contract
  - $800
- Exam ReDesign meetings
  - $7820

ACVAA Financials

EXPENSES

- 2015 JTA amortized
  - $9000
- 2016 Scientific Meeting
  - $2820
- 2016 Business Meeting
  - $6437

EXPENSES

- VAA subscriptions
  - ~$20,000
- Executive Secretary
  - $25,000
- Misc housekeeping
  - $10,905

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EXPENSES

- VAA editor CE
  - $2000
- NAVAS
  - $2000
    - $10,000 amortized over 5 years

Bottom Line

- Income – Expenses =
  - $143,755 [$156,255] minus $130,653 = $13,102 [$25,602]

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Finally – Acknowledgements and Thanks!

- ALL committee members
- ACVAA Board of Directors and Lynne Kushner as executive secretary
- ACVAA Speakers, especially Dr. Canesson
- Dr. Cynthia Trim - VAA editor in chief
- IVECCS and Gary Stamp
- Sponsors!
  - AKORN (Resident reception)
  - Smiths Medical
  - Midmark (AVTAA luncheon)
  - Stetson Hallowell
  - DRE

Questions and Discussion