**BOD Teleconference March 7, 2019 Thursday 5, PM EST**

In attendance -Drs. Beaquier, Ebner, Grimm, Egger, Dunlop, McMurphy, Kushner, Love ( Odette O joined the conference at the end of mtg)

**Administrative Business**

1. Approve agenda; Dr. Grimm motioned to approve, Dr. Ebner seconded, All in favor
2. Approve the minutes to the February meeting; Dr. Ebner motioned to approve, and Dr. Egger, seconded; all in favor

**Old Business**

1. Update on the letter to NAVAS - Dr. Grimm said that there will be a NAVAS BOD mtg scheduled soon and it seems that the process is moving ahead

a. There was agreement for a NAVAS presence with the ACVAA at IVECCS

2. Website update - Dr. Kushner said that things are moving along

a. PHOS has created drop boxes for related content for Residents, Diplomates, and photos

i. Dr. Egger has provided a few photos taken by the UTenn photographer but we

may not be able to use them

b. Dr. Egger sent out an email to the members for any photos they can provide us

3. CD account -Dr. Kushner decided that LiveOak Bank is best option and is planning on two CDs- 6 mon and 1 yr to total 150,000

a. Dr. Dunlop suggested 4 Cds - at 40 K each ; start now, one for 6 mo and one for 12 mo; then follow with another 40K in 3 months \* ( see addendum)

4. IVECCS/NAVAS/ACVAA meeting planning update

a. Dr. Kushner can confirm that Akorn will again sponsor resident reception, and Midmark, the ACVAA/AVTA luncheon

i. Dr. Egger had a conversation with David Olver ( Akorn) who would like to sponsor ACVAA for regional CE events; he feels there is a need for regional ACVAA CE

ii. Dr. Egger is in favor of pursuing this; there was no more discussion

b. Dr. Kushner said there is a new primary contact for IVECCS -and is working with her on dates /time for ACVAA planning events

c. We need to formalize the date and time for the Diplomate reception and annual meeting and The Education committee has planned the dates and time for abstracts and ACVAA special focus lectures \*\*

d. There is no new contract with IVECCS - but they have a new CEO to whom may want to contact.

e. Dr. Pascoe had mentioned in an email which was sent to the BOD for review about the low honorarium given to speakers who do not speak for more than 2 hours; it does not include hotel or travel

i. The honorarium for 1 hr lecture is $225, and discussion followed that

typical rates an ACVAA specialist should receive ought to be at least $1000.00 for 1-2 hr talk

ii The amount is too low, particularly for guest MDs and will prevent us from getting good speakers

f. It was suggested that the Education committee send the BOD a specific budget request for their needs to recruit quality speakers for topics that are relevant and interesting to our diplomates \*\* ( see addendum)

**New Business**

1. Speaker Compensation at IVECCS ( see above )
2. MOC documentation and some feedback from users - Dr. Bauquier has received some questions from those diplomates who are affected ( from 2016)

a. Dr. Kushner said that the spreadsheet and instructions, and the ACVAA MOC proposal document has been on the website under Diplomates, documents and forms

i. The ‘welcome letter’ to new residents mentions the MOC requirement and new diplomates receive information about the MOC in the ‘new diplomate ‘letter

b. Dr. Kushner said that although the Bylaws describes a MOC committee there is no current committee members and no specifics about how to and who will review diplomate spreadsheets

i. No proof of CE is required; self policing ; similar for some other specialties

c. Dr. Bauquier received questions from a couple of diplomates about the information required; feels there is not enough detailed explanation

d. Dr. Bauquier will follow up on this discussion; seek feedback, problems, comments, from affected diplomates

3. Sponsorships - Dr. Kushner- what can we offer in exchange for donations?

a. Dr. Kushner suggested we offer for a good sum ie. $5,000.00/yr . the sponsor’s logo/ link on our new website so there is continued exposure and not just a sign for 1 day at IVECCS

i. Other specialties have this on their websites; The BOD was receptive to this idea

ii Levels of sponsorship has been suggested but so far there has been no specifics of amount and want they receive in return

b. Dr. Kushner is working with the annual meeting committee to finalize some details so we all provide the same information when talking to prospective sponsors.

c. The annual meeting committee suggested we develop a ‘ vendor list’ of our sponsors that we can have on our website, made available either for diplomates or all veterinarians

4. AVTA - request support from ACVAA for a 20th anniversary celebration at IVECSS

a. Dr. O received an email from one of the AVTs - asking for a ‘grant’ or sponsorship for some kind of event they wish to hold - but they have not provided any details

i. The ACVAA will be organizing the ACVAA/AVTA luncheon again in 2019 sponsored by Midmark again

b. Dr. O will contact them and request that they send us a written proposal that includes their plans

5. Additional discussion

a. Candidates who have failed multiple times —Dr. Egger: need some level of support-from Mentors

b. Dr. Dunlop- suggested practice exams - the European diplomates have developed some type of practice program for their candidates

i. Suggestion - that the EC/CC committee chairs may wish to contact them for information and ideas

A motion was made to adjourn; Dr. Egger moved and Dr. Grimm seconded; all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM

**Addendums and Secretary notes**

* - 2 CDS opened March : one CD; 50,000 for 6 month; and one 50,000 for 12 months.

\*\* ACVAA/IVECCS schedule

Friday Sept 6 ACVAA MDR - 8 am- 5 PM ; and resident reception (Akorn) Friday evening - not sure of start time - maybe 6 30 or 7

Saturday, Sept 7 ACVAA Abstracts - 8 - 5 ACVAA/AVTA luncheon Midmark; Awards Ceremony -5 30- 6 30

Sunday Sept 8 ACVAA Special focus lectures 8- 12 noon ; IVECCS wide Happy hour until 6 30 PM then ACVAA Diplomate reception /meeting 6 30- 930

Monday Sept 9 ACVAA Special Focus lectures 8- 5

An emeritus request from Dr. Ralph Harvey was submitted to the Secretary. He has met all the requirements for emeritus status. This is the 4th emeritus request this year.