**ACVAA monthly Teleconference /Zoom**

**October,1 2020**

**5 PM EDT**

In attendance – Drs. Dunlop, Grimm, Posner, Bauquier, Fischer, Aarnes, Ebner, O, McMurphy, Kushner

**Administrative**

1. Approve Agenda – Dr. O moved, Dr. Dunlop 2nd all in favor

2. Approve the minutes of the September BOD conference- - Dr. Dunlop moved, Dr. Ebner 2nd all in favor

**Old Business**

1. ACVAA conference wrap up-Dr. Dunlop contacted IVECCS after the first day to discuss the problems that occurred

 a. Several comments /complaints about the abstracts, delays, some problems accessing

 b. We had some good member feedback on our annual meeting

 c. We lost control over our own abstracts perhaps we could hold our abstracts elsewhere?

 d. Need the PPTs from all the sections to post to website

2. Website update – Dr. Bauquier sent the final ‘proposal’ MOC to BOD for feedback

 a. Motion was made to approve the ‘proposal’ now to ‘final’ –BOD voted all in favor

 b. Dr. Bauquier sent a screen shot of MOC sections along with comments/suggestions to improve the text/layout for the data section – this was sent to PHOS

 i. need information how to extract data and generate a report – meeting with PHOS to discuss that \*

3. Trademark infringement – A Georgia Private Practice website describes their anesthesia technician as a ‘member ‘ of the ACVAA; Apparently, there has been no change in their website since Dr. Driessen contacted and demanded it to be removed

 a. Dr. Fischer - will get a template for a desist letter and – Dr. Kushner will send registered mail \*\*

4. 2021 Exam review – Discussion about reviewing the exam in particular, the CCE section

 a. Material similar to the essays, but questions are interactive

 b. It’s been 3 years since implementation – time to review, some questions raised i. Does it improve discrimination between pass and fail? what does the CCE accomplish

 c. Plans for a meeting in coming months to discuss – Dr. Wetmore looking for diplomates, to review the exam perhaps with Ed CMTE involvement

 i Perhaps put a call to the membership to recruit diplomates interested in getting involved with the review

 d. The ACVS has changed their exam recently, perhaps reach out to them for some background on their exam process

5. Statement on the supervision of technicians performing locoregional blocks wrap-up; Dr. Grimm received 3 emails from members supportive of the ACVAA’s position of the problem a. Dr. Fischer moved to approve the position statement so it can be added to the guidelines section of the website; all were in favor

6. ACVAA-NAVAS- liaison appointment – Dr. Grimm – looking to fill 2 seats on the NAVAS BOD, looking for 2 ACVAA diplomates –must be an advocate for the ACVAA

 a. Dr. Fischer motioned for confirming the nomination of Lydia Love for the position of ACVAA/NAVAS board of directors, Dr. Aarnes, moved, and Dr. Dunlop seconded – all were in favor.

**New Business**

1. ACVS summit – a DACVAA has already been providing anesthesia lectures at the ACVS summit for a few years- they have recently requested we take a more formal role in the organization of the anesthesia lectures

 a. Need to work with them to form diplomate level anesthesia CE in their summit.

 b. Dr. Dunlop suggests a discussion with the ACVS liaison, Dr. Southward, to discuss and explore the possibility of merging our annual scientific meeting with ACVS in the future \*\*\*

2. BOD communication with membership – Dr. Fischer discussed how the BOD can maintain good communication with the membership –one suggestion was a periodic newsletter ie. – with brief discussions of last meetings

 a. Dr. Grimm – suggest posting the monthly agenda to the list

 i. Dr. Kushner always posts the agenda with the minutes on the website, so if someone finds an interesting topic on the agenda they can read that section from the minutes -

 ii. Dr. Ebner offered to write and post a summary of previous monthly BOD mtg minutes with notes of any resolutions

 b. Start next month with a summary

3. IVECCS/ACVAA relationship- address membership concerns

 a. Dr. Dunlop- discussion –need to review our association with IVECCS

b. ACVAA, the Ed CMTE will be having a December meeting with IVECCS to discussing future meetings; should first ask what IVECCS wants/needs from us; we do fill a slot of anesthesia CE – do they need more DACVAA attendance for income

 c. Discussion - investigate other options for our meetings, ie. with NAVAS , ACVS, ASA, (expensive, could investigate costs, of registration and membership) etc. what about international meetings ?

 d. Another survey to the membership ?

4. Cardio/Anesthesia discussion- no discussion

5. The BOD discussed the nominations and upcoming voting for Region 3 and at -large directors and stated that nominations will be closed by October 15th .

A Motion was made to adjourn, Dr. Dunlop moved, and Dr. Posner seconded – all were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM

Respectively submitted,

Lynne Kushner, DVM

ACVAA Executive Secretary

**Addendum**

\*Drs. Dunlop, Grim, Bauquier, Reed, Schroeder, and Kushner met with PHOS via google meet on October 2 to discuss the resident logs and MOC sections. PHOS acknowledged that the requirements for these sections ( in particular the logs ) are complex. The discussion focused on how the data will be accessed on the front end and in particular how data will be exported.

\*\* Dr. Kushner sent the letters via registered mail on Oct 8th and has been tracking the letters on line. USPD tracking reports undeliverable, and returned to PO. Dr. Kushner sent it to the address on the practice website, and just discovered that the zip code on their website is wrong . The letters will be sent again.

\*\*\* A zoom meeting with Dr. Southwood was held on Oct 13th. The Minutes to that meeting from Dr. Southwood, will be sent to the BOD

Other notes

Dr. Kushner completed the ABVS 3 yr report – Dr Mama has reviewed and approved it- it has been sent to the ABVS on Nov 1 .