Tufts Student American Veterinary Medicine Association Minutes  
March 25, 2018

Members in Attendance: Kendra Nowak, Rachael Alionhart, Cameron Pryor, Rafaella Susara, Emily Koemeter-Cox, Lindsay Smith, Alena Naimark & Ashley Sanchez 

Faculty Members in Attendance: Marieke Rosenbaum

Presentation by Lauren Gawel

- Institution of a program “100% Zero-Waste Lunch Talk Compliance”
  - Grafton Green Team leader
- Streamlined way to make lunch talks zero waste
  - Idea to send flyer to clubs that mention they are having a lunch talk
  - Offer to give this talk @ the start of next year to club leaders
  - Office of Sustainability will offer recyclable plates
- Green Committee → part of One Health Committee
  - Have one person do clean up for hours
- Speak w/ Cornell- next campus to hold SAVMA Symposium 2020
  - Very green campus
  - Contact for more ideas, resources, etc.

Rafaella

1. Email about starting a chapter of NAVAS @ Tufts (North American Veterinary Anesthesia Society)
   a. Problem with the amount of clubs right now
   b. Idea to combine clubs- combine w/ SVSS
   c. Side note: # of clubs
      i. Deletion and merge of clubs will be messy
      ii. More of a club president leader discussion
      iii. Would be discussed in the Fall
   d. TO DO: Rafaella- email Darcy about financial means to start up a chapter

2. Travel grant email snafu
   a. TO DO: Cameron- to contact

Emily

1. Committee leaders
   a. Update: only missing a few leaders for the following committees: Social, Professional Dev., Fundraising, Wellness, Web/ Photography
b. NOT a requirement to be a leader to fulfill SAVMA requirements

c. Side note: look below for One Health Committee issue

d. TO DO: Emily- to send follow-up email + will approach people to get leaders

2. Idea to combine Social Committee + Wellness Committee?
   a. Wellness is more for mental health
      i. Been working w/ Dr. Roy to get her ideas out there
   b. Social is more for camaraderie and FUN
   c. Keep committees separate for now

Kendra
1. Faculty advisor
   a. Requirement: only to be an AVMA member
   b. Form
      i. Question
         1. AVMA member?
         2. If interested/ available to come to meetings?
      ii. Role of advisor
         1. Offer solutions to any problems that should arise
         2. Loosely oversee treasurer- any potential issues w/ taxes
         3. Attend President’s Summit meeting- early September
         4. Attend e-board meetings, events, etc.
         5. Interface w/ administration
   c. TO DO: Kendra- to email survey to find us a new faculty member by May meeting

2. MVMA reach out: April 10th
   a. Idea came from Symposium when GVMA had a panel
      i. Possibly build a taskforce to put on a panel
      ii. Discuss more in April
   b. Great way to network w/i the state
   c. Meet w/ the President and the President-elect of the MVMA
      i. MVMA attend ‘1st years’ Orientation and White Coat Ceremony
   d. PAC will come in the Fall
   e. Welcomed us to come to meetings
      i. Not specific to what’s going on at our SAVMA chapter level though
      ii. President-elect is happy to meet w/ us outside of the regular board meeting times to keep up relationship with us
      iii. Normal meeting times are usually during class times
         1. Next couple meetings in June, September and December

3. SAVMA Store- add a day next year
   a. Add the event to the calendar
   b. Add an extra day to the store: Monday

4. Any questions on bylaws/ SOPs
   a. Peruse by-laws to understand duties
b. **TO DO**: Lindsay- to create her own VP SOP  

c. **TO DO**: ALL- update SOPS  

5. SAVMA registration  
   a. To do in May- will revisit issue @ upcoming meetings  
   b. Housekeeping email- sign up for SAVMA now, get the committee you want before the first year signs up

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**Rachael**

1. E-board-specific symposium Info (potentially)  
   a. Symposium presentation  
      i. Reporting in April  
      ii. Disseminate info through a lunch talk (1st and 2nd years)  
      iii. Mandatory for e-board members  

2. Penlights update  
   a. On Monday, will be given to the SAVMA store  
   b. Email was sent by Lindsay to see who else would want to do their SAVMA registration to receive a penlight  
   c. **TO DO**: Rachael- give penlight receipt to Cameron

3. **Marieke**: Idea for SAVMA gift next year going off of green lunch talks would be **bamboo utensils**

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**Cameron**

1. Email from SAVMA store to get a new item approval- APPROVED  
   a. Badge reels + card holder  
   b. Regular Tufts logo would be displayed on badge reel  
   c. Trial run order possibly- 150 items initially

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**Lindsay/Ashley**

1. Replacement of One Health Committee w/ Green Committee  
   a. Originally committee was supposed to be for One Health Day  
   b. One Health Club would then have to take over One Health Day  
      i. Have committee leaders from other SAVMA committees to co-host One Health Day/ Night  
   c. Rebranding of the One Health Committee possibility  
      i. Possibility of sub-chairs: Animal, Human, Env’t  
      ii. Could also dismantle next year to have a Green Committee instead  
      iii. Work w/ Elm’s Cafe, admin building, building 17, Wildlife Building to clean plates via dishwasher  
   d. Merge VGS/Disaster relief club?

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**ALL**
1. Voting on club funding
   a. Add into the form if club dues are collected

2. Travel grant discussion
   a. Kendra will ask Linda Mayo for a list of names NOT attached to the travel grants
      themselves to cross check with our list of SAVMA students
      i. To add SAVMA ID# to the copy with names, addresses, etc. next semester
   b. Current categories
      i. Kendra: proposed to change uniqueness to a 1-3 scale instead of a 1-5 scale (currently now)
   c. Reassess + evaluate after this semester’s funding

Next Meeting: Monday, April 29th @ 5pm
Mandatory SAVMA Symposium Meeting:
   Tuesday, April 30th @ 12pm