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at Tufts University

Tufts Student American Veterinary Medicine Association Minutes

April 29, 2019

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

Faculty Members in Attendance: Dr. Marieke Rosenbaum

Quick Updates

Rafaella

1. Email about starting a chapter of NAVAS @ Tufts (North American Veterinary Anesthesia Society)
 - a. Emailed Darcy re: questions posed at last meeting
 - i. Reply: meeting w/ someone from NAVAS, attempt to get us answers
 - ii. Could be combined w/ another club
 - iii. Faculty advisor would not need to assoc. w/ NAVAS

Emily

1. Filled committee leader positions- Yay!
 - a. Has met/ or has a meeting scheduled w// current committee leaders
2. MVMA meeting
 - a. MVMA Wellness Coordinator meeting w/ our Wellness Advisor Dr. Roy
 - b. Lunch talk ideas MVMA people could help w/
 - i. "Power of 10"- people who have been out of school for 10y
 - c. MVMA networking night
 - i. Good opportunity to network outside of academia
 - d. Bigger events may be possible w/ corporate sponsors, state organizations and other schools
 - i. Events having alcohol permits
 - e. Quarterly meetings scheduled for 6/12, 9/11, 12/11
 - i. Held at headquarters
 - f. Possibility for an active liaison rep for SAVMA + MVMA?
 - i. For the professional development committee to schedule a lunch talk w/ the different types of vets that are part of the MVMA
 - ii. Perhaps a lunch talk regarding organized vet med- AVMA vs. MVMA?
 - g. Alena: bi-monthly clinics helping the community, would help w/ SAVMA publicity and collaboration w/ MVMA

Kendra

1. Faculty advisor search
 - a. Postponed/ working on
2. Change travel grants to 6 mo window before and after
 - a. Set dates for the window
 - b. Overlap with dates to allow for people to finish their opportunities before writing the application
3. AVMA convention
 - a. Booking hotel after meeting
4. Sign up for SAVMA has opened (woo!)
 - a. Send out email now and July to allow current vet students first choice in committees and get the registration out of the way

Rachael

1. Talked w/ Barbara Berman (Emily jump in on this):
 - a. Mentioned a previous schedule in the basement of the library
 - i. BUT moved to online Google calendar
 - ii. Previous complaints mentioned a lack of interest/ foot traffic on library
 - iii. Question: if something similar could be established in Elm's instead w/ facilities' cooperation?
 - iv. **TO DO:** Rafaella- email BB about subscribing to the SAVMA calendar
 - b. File cabinets were previously established for SOPs of all the clubs
 - i. Question: request clubs to provide SOPs via Google Drive to streamline officer transition
 1. Clubs are supposed to have their own SOPs
 - ii. Removal of most items in the file cabinets
 1. Could have box in the cabinet
 2. Scan receipts + upload into the drive for future?
 - c. "Meet your SAVMA Reps" bulletin board outside HLH
 - i. Was supposed to be done last year
 - ii. Decision to remove the HLH boards
 - iii. **TO DO:** Rafaella- email BB about TVs in Elm's Cafe
2. Post-Symposium Lunch Talk (Tuesday, 4/30)
 - a. Anything else to add?
 - b. Show people how to navigate Member Edge, My Veterinary Life, Vet Gazette
3. New dues paid → get SAVMA penlights
 - a. Retail: \$5

Major Discussion

1. Travel grants

Next Meeting:

Monday, May 13th @ 11am



Mandatory SAVMA Symposium Meeting:

Tuesday, April 30th @ 12pm