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at Tufts University

Tufts Student American Veterinary Medicine Association Minutes

November 29, 2021; 6 pm

Members in Attendance: Katherine King, Tanya Nasra, Michelle Kwon, Rachel Park, Callan Tweedie, Aubrey Specht, Julia Philp, Kate Wagner

Faculty Members in Attendance: Dr. Marieke Rosenbaum (virtually), Dr. Greg Wolfus (virtually)

Meeting Structure:

- Intros w/ Dr. Chavent, Jo-Hanna (MVMA/SAVMA liaison), Dr. Rosenbaum, Dr. Wolfus
- Topics covered:
- We heard updates from our MVMA/SAVMA liaison, Jo-Hanna, regarding an upcoming meeting with the MVMA and brainstormed ways to build connections with them. Some ideas included involvement in the annual SAVMA career fair, a potential mentorship program, creation of a resource page, and more.
 - Discussion of event approval process for the spring semester:
 - There will be two deadlines in the spring, and early and late deadline
 - Early deadline: **January 18th** (may submit events here and amend later if absolutely needed)
 - Late deadline: **February 15th**
 - We discussed how the SAVMA Canvas page will be managed, and how the Canvas page will be managed alongside the website. The current plan is to leave information that is helpful to members of the public (how to access the online school store, etc) on the website, while information that is solely for SAVMA members (grant information and applications, etc) on the Canvas page.
 - We reviewed travel grant request submissions for this semester and are happy to report that a total of nine student grants were awarded for various experiences including clinical experiences, conferences, and externships.
 - We discussed developing a standardized rubric in the future to further standardize our travel grant ranking and approval process.