

AAAP BOARD MEETING

Denver, Colorado

Thursday, July 17, Friday, July 18, Saturday, July 19, and Wednesday, July 23, 2003

Dr. Syed Naqi called Thursday's meeting to order at 8:15 AM and adjourned it at 4:00 PM, called Friday's meeting to order at 8:30 AM and adjourned it at 5:50 PM and called Saturday's meeting to order at 8:10 AM, adjourned it at 11:30 AM.

The following Board Members were present at the Thursday, Friday and Saturday meetings.

President	Dr. Syed Naqi
President-elect	Dr. Elizabeth Krushinskie
Secretary-Treasurer	Dr. Robert J. Eckroade
Director Northeast	Dr. Mariano Salem
South	Dr. Louise Dufour Zavala
West	Dr. David Frame
At-large	Dr. Mark Bland
At-large	Dr. Robert Owen
Past President	Dr. John Donahoe

Dr. Ching Ching Wu (Central Region Director) was absent.

The following Board Members were present at Wednesday's meeting which was called to order by Dr. Elizabeth Krushinskie at 7:10 AM and adjourned at 11:10 AM.

President	Dr. Elizabeth Krushinskie
Secretary-Treasurer	Dr. Charles Hofacre
Director North	Dr. Mariano Salem
South	Dr. Louise Dufour-Zavala
West	Dr. David Frame
At-large	Dr. Robert Owen
At-large	Dr. Stewart Ritchie
Past President	Dr. Syed Naqi

Absent were Drs. Richard Chin (President-elect) and Ching Ching Wu (Central Region Director). Several guests attended each meeting.

Minutes of the 2002 Board Meeting

Dr. Eckroade reviewed the minutes of the 2002 meeting. A motion was carried to accept the minutes of the 2002 Board of Directors meeting as presented.

46th Annual Report

Dr. Eckroade reviewed the 46th annual report. He reported that the membership consists of 973 members (741 domestic and 232 international) of which 783 have paid their 2003 dues or are retired or life members who are exempt from paying dues. Subscriptions to *Avian Diseases*

were down again this year. Sales of educational material were up a little for the year. Unrestricted fund revenues were up this year due to the income from the World Veterinary Poultry Association Congress and disbursements were up for a net gain for the year of \$177,134. A significant portion of this surplus will be spent as bills from the Congress are paid in July and August.

Membership

AAAP must have 500 AVMA members to maintain allied group status with AVMA and at this time we only have a few more than 500.

Drs. Tom Dickson, Morris Cover and George Rowland passed away this year.

The list of members who have not paid dues for 2003 was reviewed and regional directors will attempt to contact the members and ask them to pay.

The Membership Committee Chair will address the membership at the annual meeting about the benefits of being an AVMA member and why we need allied membership status in AVMA.

Dr. Ley reported that the website is working well and that the next consideration should be a member only area that would be password protected. This area could include the directory and the ability for members to update their information and pay dues. This could possibly be a hosted website. The Electronic Information Committee will investigate website options and put together a proposal with cost estimates for review by the Board.

An e-mail list serve should be re-established for the membership.

Report of the Editor

Dr. van der Heide reported that volume 46 of *Avian Diseases* was 1049 pages. This included 82 articles, 40 research notes, 21 case reports, and 3 pet bird case reports. This is 47 pages less and a 4% decrease in the number of printed manuscripts compared with volume 45.

The proceedings for the 5th International Symposium on Avian Influenza will be published as a special edition of *Avian Diseases* and will be bundled with issue 47-3 for distribution.

Dr. van der Heide reported that Drs. Lloyd Spencer and Richard Witter will retire as editors of *Avian Diseases*.

After a full day of candidate interviews and a lengthy discussion the following day, the very difficult task of appointing a new editor for *Avian Diseases* was completed. Dr. Jagdev Sharma was selected and will take office on January 1, 2004. A letter will be written to all candidates expressing thanks for their participation in the interviews.

A motion was carried to announce the new editor of *Avian Diseases* at the business meeting.

Online access to *Avian Diseases* was opened with unrestricted access in mid-July and will be restricted to access by username and password for paid subscribers as soon as possible.

Dr. David Ley reported that the Electronic Information committee was pleased with the progress of making *Avian Diseases* available online.

AAAP Educational Material

Dr. Eckroade reviewed the educational material list.

Avian Histopathology should have an editor appointed for the third edition. A committee will be appointed to review the manual and make recommendations for the third edition as well as suggestions for an editor. Development of a CD to accompany the text should be considered.

A Laboratory Manual for the Isolation and Identification of Avian Pathogens should have an editor appointed in 2004 for release of the next edition in 2007.

There was discussion about the possibility of creating slide study sets that complement the *Avian Disease Manual* such as creating a CD with slides to accompany the text. It was suggested that it might be difficult for the students to use the CD in the classroom and that it might increase the cost of the text. It was also suggested that if the *Avian Disease Manual* text was put on CD with slides that the CD version be in English and Spanish but the printed version be English only. Dr. Ley suggested a word document with .jpeg images that would be converted to Adobe .pdf format.

A motion was carried to ask Dr. Bruce Charlton, editor of the *Avian Disease Manual* to consider reviewing the manual with thought of the concept of incorporating images on a CD and bundling it with the manual. The education and electronic information committees must be involved with the process and a budget must be prepared for review by the board prior to the start of such a project.

The Continuing Education CD-Rom has been completed and about 90 copies have been sold. Dr. Villegas had expressed concern in the planning stages about the creation and distribution of the CD because many of the slide sets are very outdated. The Education Committee will be asked to review the slide sets and get revisions completed as soon as possible.

Dr. Mo Saif reported that sales of the 11th edition of *Diseases of Poultry* are going well and ISU Press expects to have a second printing. The CD-rom version is also selling well. A few mistakes have been found in the book and the editorial board is asking that the membership contact them about any mistakes that are found. Dr. Saif is willing to serve as editor of the 12th edition with a target release date of late 2008 or early 2009.

A motion was carried to allow the Ministry of Higher Education, King Saud University in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to translate *A Laboratory Manual for the Isolation and Identification of Avian Pathogens* into Arabic. They must not make a profit and must print "Translated with permission from the American Association of Avian Pathologists who is not responsible for content" in each copy. They must send 10 copies to AAAP.

Dr. Tahseen Aziz contacted the business office and asked to have an advertisement for his CD-rom of multiple choice questions and answers distributed to the membership by e-mail. The decision was made not to send the e-mail because it might appear that AAAP was endorsing a CD that could be used to study for the ACPV exam.

Awards

Drs. John Smith and John McCarty reported on the Awards Committee activities.

There were 21 applications for 11 awards. There were two special service awards given.

There were no submissions for the M.S. Hofstad Award. It was proposed that the Call for Papers for 2004 include a place for students to indicate the desire to compete for the award.

It was suggested that only one Reed Rumsey Award be given each year.

A motion was carried to accept Arthur Bickford and Phil Lukert as Life Members.

Audit

Dr. Eckroade reviewed the 2002/03 audit that was prepared by Elko & Associates Ltd.

The financial statement is divided into 4 responsibility areas (Business Manager, Avian Diseases Journal, Educational Material, and Miscellaneous). Revenues and expenses for each category were as follows:

Business Manager - revenue = \$89,937, expense = \$50,986; Avian Disease Journal - revenue = \$154,857, expense = \$114,930; Educational Material - revenue = \$33,536, expense = \$28,388; Miscellaneous - revenue = \$176,278, expense = \$83,170.

There was a net gain of \$177,134 for the year ending April 30, 2003. Some of this gain was income for WVPA that will be used to pay expenses in July 2003.

Budget

A motion was carried to approve the 2003/04 proposed budget as presented with the understanding that it is a proposed budget and will most likely change due to the move of the business office.

Honoraria

A motion was carried to increase the honorarium for the Business Manager and the Editor of *Avian Diseases* by \$500 each for a total of \$12,000 each.

Nominating Committee

The Committee submitted the following names. Dr. Elizabeth Krushinskie for President, Dr. Rich Chin for President-elect, Dr. Charles Hofacre for Secretary-Treasurer, and Dr. Stewart Ritchie for Director-at-large.

A motion was carried to accept the Nominating Committee report as presented.

Central District Election

Dr. Ching Ching Wu was elected to serve as the Central District Director.

Symposia

The Toxic, Infectious, Miscellaneous and Emerging Diseases Committee will hold a Symposium in 2004. This was approved at the 2002 meeting.

WVPA

Dr. Richard Witter reported that he was very optimistic about the WVPA Congress. Fundraising was excellent, the scientific and social programs were full and about 750 attendees were expected.

Thank you Dr. Witter!

AAAP/AVMA Scientific Program Report

Drs. Bruce Stewart-Brown and John Glisson reported that there were 12 keynote lectures, 1 Lasher History Lecture, 1 Houghton Lecture, 146 oral and 243 poster presentations in the program this year. The posters were divided into two sessions. The first session ran Sunday and Monday and the second session ran Tuesday and Wednesday.

A thank you letter will be written to AVMA for their support of the WVPA/AAAP/AVMA meeting.

Thank you to the committee for a job well done. A special thank you to Lynn Barnes for her work on the program.

A motion was carried to appoint Dr. Gregorio Rosales as the AVMA Scientific Program Chair elect. He will become Program Chair in 2007.

Dr. Glisson mentioned that members had approached him about continuing the keynote lectures for future meetings. He suggests a Keynote lecture on Monday and Wednesday and the Lasher History Lecture on Tuesday.

A motion was carried to host an opening reception on Saturday evening for the 2004 meeting. The Foundation will fundraise for it so although the membership will be sent a ticket request form, there will be no charge to attend. There will be a cash bar and a band.

AVMA Related Matters

Drs. Mo Saif and Gregg Cutler gave the delegates report to the Board. They reported that AVMA is still under pressure about induced molting and swine gestation crates. The biggest issue with induced molting is feed withdrawal. Last year AVMA accepted the AAAP statement that complete feed withdrawal is not recommended and that alternatives should be researched. The Animal Rights group presented a resolution again this year to not allow induced molting and after considerable discussion, AVMA voted not to accept their resolution. AVMA did question intermittent feeding and were told by Drs. Saif and Cutler that research was ongoing and we needed more time for the research. The Animal Welfare Committee would like to change the statement about induced molting to say that feed withdrawal is not recommended and other methods are used. The committee suggested bringing the proposed statement to the Board for approval as a resolution to AVMA and Dr. Eckroade suggested asking AVMA to change the statement to say that feed withdrawal is not supported as part of induced molting but not present it as a resolution.

A motion was carried to suggest to AVMA that an animal welfare department that would be staffed by veterinarians with different areas of expertise be considered.

Thank you Drs. Saif and Cutler for a job well done.

AVMA committee appointments were reviewed. Dr. Robert Eckroade was re-appointed to the AVMA Legislative Advisory Committee, Dr. Elizabeth Krushinskie was appointed to the AVMA Food Safety Advisory Committee, Dr. Dennis Wages was re-appointed to the AVMA Clinical Practitioners Advisory Committee, Dr. Karen Burns was appointed as the AAAP alternate representative to the AVMA Clinical Practitioners Advisory Committee, and Dr. John Glisson was appointed to the AVMA Convention Management and Program Committee.

AAAP will do everything possible to support members nominated for AVMA Councils and Committees. AAAP members must get more involved with state veterinary medical associations and communicate with AVMA delegates from their state to solicit support for AAAP candidates. Getting candidates elected is a very political process.

A motion was carried to send Drs. Elizabeth Krushinskie and Karen Burns to the AVMA Veterinary Leadership Conference in January 2004.

Susan Goldberg, a representative for the American Veterinary Medical Foundation (AVMF) stopped by with Ric Zapala, a congressional fellow from the AVMF Congressional Fellowship Program, to thank AAAP for support of the program and asked for continuing support.

A motion was carried to again support the AVMF Congressional Fellowship Program with \$2,000.

History Committee

Dr. Carol Cardona reported that the two historical manuscripts for *Avian Diseases* were completed this year.

Dr. Peter Biggs gave the 2003 Lasher History Lecture.

The committee is proposing that the Lasher History Lecturers be asked for a manuscript to be published in *Avian Diseases*. It would not be a requirement and the page charges would be waived.

A motion was carried to accept the proposal to publish the Lasher History Lectures in *Avian Diseases* and to waive the page charges to the author and pay them from the C.A. Bottorff Fund.

A motion was carried to appoint a 50th Anniversary Planning Committee for the 2007 meeting in Washington DC. Dr. Robert Eckroade will chair the committee.

A motion was carried to solicit a manuscript for publication in *Avian Diseases* for the fifty year anniversary of AAAP and to waive page charges to the author.

Miscellaneous Business

A motion was carried to allow each region up to \$3,000 for meeting support this year.

Dr. I.D. Russell reported on CAST activities for the year. The primary focus of CAST is to communicate good science to the decision makers in Washington. CAST is struggling financially and will raise dues for 2004. Expenses to run the organization have risen and the amount of money available for support has decreased. They hold two meetings per year and CAST usually pays expenses. One cost cutting suggestion is to have organizations pay the expenses for their CAST representatives.

Dr. Russell would like to be replaced as AAAP's representative to CAST but thinks we should continue in CAST. Representatives serve three year terms and it is important that the incoming representative work with the outgoing representative to fully understand the issues. Drs. Jarra Jagne, Rick Sharpton and Rick Phillips were suggested as representatives. Dr. Krushinskie will speak with them and come back to the Board with a recommendation.

A motion was carried to continue membership in NIAA and CAST.

A motion was carried to accept the proposal from Dr. H.L. Shivaprasad to re-establish the Avian Histopathology interest group which will meet during the AVMA meeting.

The Ontario Association of Poultry Practitioners requested funding for a two day conference that would include a slide review of important commercial poultry diseases and clinical case presentations. AAAP will not offer funding and will suggest that they contact ACPV.

The American Academy of Microbiology sent a thank you for the AAAP contribution of \$2,000 to their colloquia in 2001 and 2003. It was suggested that we ask for a seat on the organizing committee if we make a contribution to future colloquia.

A motion was carried to appoint the following AAAP Foundation Board: Dr. Robert Owen, Co-Chair, Dr. Robert Eckroade, Co-Chair, Dr. Robert O'Connor, Dr. Yan Ghazikhanian, Dr. Mark Bland, Dr. Charles Hofacre, Dr. John Donahoe and Dr. Kenneth Eskelund.

Drs. Donahoe, Eckroade, and Bland are retiring from the Board this year. Thank you.