



The American Association of Avian Pathologists
65th Annual Business Meeting
August 1, 2022
10:45AM to 12:00PM EST

Attendees: AAAP Members
Note Taker: Diana Kerr

Call to Order

Meeting called by: President Louise Dufour-Zavala
AAAP President began meeting with a moment of silence to remember members who died this past year, Drs. Richard Julian, Peter M. Biggs, and Egon Vielitz.

Minutes of the 64th Annual Business Meeting

Action Item: Motion to approve the minutes of the 64th Annual Business Meeting
Motion by: Ton Schat
Seconded by: Mick Fulton
Motion passed; minutes approved.

Report of the Officers

65th Annual Report

Suzanne Dougherty, AAAP Executive Vice President reported.
AAAP is a 501c6. The AAAP fiscal year is from May 1-April 30. The AAAP financials have been reviewed by the accountant, and the report has been sent and reviewed by our AAAP Auditing Committee. Our net assets saw an increase of approximately 80K but saw a decrease in investment. Our membership is slightly down as more members are becoming retired members. Educational sales were 51K and included the Incubation and Hatchery Manual, the Diseases of Poultry royalties, and AAAP webinars. The royalties for the AAAP journal have increased but our subscription numbers are down. AAAP will be meeting independently from the AVMA in 2023 in Jacksonville, FL. Reminder to maintain AVMA membership and help AAAP maintain our affiliation of AVMA.

Recognition of Service for Board of Directors

Recognition for the AAAP Board of Directors who have completed their terms. They are:
Samuel Christenberry
Ashley Hallowell
David Frame

Election Announcements

Eric Jensen reported.
The 2022 election was held electronically before our Annual Meeting. All directors are now at large with four-year terms. The Student Director is elected yearly by the student members of our association. This year there was an election for President Elect, one director, a student director, and the Executive Vice President. The results of this year's election are as follows.

Deidre Johnson	President Elect
Claudia Osorio	Director
Eliza Theis	Student Director
Suzanne Dougherty	Executive Vice-President

Committee Reports

Auditing Committee Report

Travis Schaal reported.

The AAAP financials are sound despite the economic downturn and the association continues to meet its vision and mission. The AAAP Foundation continues to award scholarships and continued contributions are important. The AAAP Auditing Committee is seeking a new audit committee member as Dr. Gregorio Rosales will be rotating off.

Action Item: Motion to approve the auditor's report?

Motion by: Ton Schat.

Seconded by: Tahseen Abdul-Aziz

Motion passed; report approved.

AAAP Foundation Report

Eric Gingerich reported.

The AAAP is in good financial shape and has awarded 24 scholarships. The Foundation also awarded 11 preceptorships and there are plans to create 3 new scholarships by Kate Barger Weathers, AVEP, and Dr. Mo Saif. We ask members to continue to build the funds for the AAAP Foundation by participating and donating.

AVMA Delegate Report

Kate Barger-Weathers reported.

The AVMA House of Delegates has 2 members from each allied organization. This year they met, and 5 policies were debated and approved. The HOD also has an important topic facing the profession, the veterinary practice act and duty to provide emergency care. Elections were held and the new AVMA President is Lori Teller and President Elect is Rena Carlson. Please reach out to Suzanne or Kate for more information.

Report on Avian Diseases

David Swayne reported. The editorial board has been working with Allen Press to publish articles ahead of print and a three-week time limit has been established for reviewers. There was a special section in the December issue of Avian Diseases on infectious bronchitis and this year Dr. Holly Sellers will serve as editor for the 2022 special section.

Scientific Program

Natalie Armour reported.

The 2022 program had several key components: a Keynote Speaker, 8 session keynotes, 138 oral presentations in 17 sessions, and 95 posters. This year we had 25 cancellations.

Recognition of committee chairs that have completed their term. They are:

Alex Zocche	Enteric Diseases Committee
Louise Dufour-Zavala	Epidemiology Committee
Julie Kelly	Membership Committee
Annika McKillop	Small Flocks Committee
Eric Gonder	Therapeutics, Biologics and Bioprotection Committee
Teresa Morishita	Education Committee
Yuko Sato	History Committee
Sara Reichelt	Animal Welfare Committee
Bernie Beckman	Outreach Committee
Holly Sellers	Women's Network

Top Performing Committee Recognition

Rocio Crespo presented the 2021 AAAP Top Performing Committee.

To acknowledge the outstanding work of our AAAP committees, the Board of Directors has asked the Committee Review Committee to select a Top Performing Committee each year. AAAP currently has 22 committees and over 300 of our members participate in committees. 18 committee chairs met individually with

the Review Committee last May. We wish more members could be in on these calls because it is exciting to hear about the work these committees are doing and their plans. If you are not on a committee, think about joining one.

Selecting one top performing committee was not easy as we have many committees that do a fantastic job. These are the criteria used to make the decision:

1. The committee defines specific goals on a regular basis and actions to achieve them.
2. The committee work is shared among the committee members.
3. The committee produces products and/or services that benefit AAAP and/or the wider community.
4. The committee submits reports to the AAAP Board of Directors.
5. The committee submits rosters to the AAAP Board of Directors.
6. The committee leadership rotates.
7. The committee invites new members.

This year's Top Performing Committee award goes to the AAAP Enteric Diseases Committee. The Enteric Diseases committee is a wonderful example of how a committee which focuses on special interest in avian medicine can engage in activities that benefit not only the committee, but the entire AAAP membership and avian health community.

The AAAP Enteric Diseases Committee seeks to collectively work on enteric issues of economic importance to the poultry industry. This includes bacterial, viral and coccidial diseases that are well researched and documented and as well as emerging issues.

1. The Enteric Diseases core committee has an "accountability call" once a month which keeps them focused and "in sync" with the different things the committee is working on.
2. The committee has worked on using the website tools and develops interaction from within the committee and others in AAAP.
3. The committee also studies the different meetings within AAAP and singles out papers focused on Enteric diseases and initiates interest and discussion on these stand-out papers through the website.

Congratulations to the AAAP Enteric Diseases Committee for a job well done.

New Business

Bylaws Change Proposal

Suzanne Dougherty reported.

Our first order of new business is to discuss bylaws change proposal. The Board of Directors reviewed the proposed amendment to the Bylaws submitted by the Membership Committee and is now submitting it to the membership for discussion. After we have discussed the amendment at this Business Meeting, it will be put to an electronic vote this fall. All voting members will be sent a notification.

This amendment starts the process of nominating a Student Director with a call for nominations to the student membership. This gives all interested student members an equal chance to participate. In the current Bylaws, the Nominating Committee is tasked with finding qualified student member candidates. In the proposed change, the Nominations Committee is still responsible for seeing at least two qualified candidates on the ballot to ensure the position is filled.

Passing of the John Delaplaine gavel

Louise Dufour-Zavala announced that Dr. Rocio Crespo is the new president of the AAAP.

Adjournment

There being no objection, Dr. Rocio Crespo adjourned the meeting.