

The American Association of Avian Pathologists Board of Directors Meeting

7.30.2010		7:00 am to 5:00 pm	Dogwood B Room Omni Hotel, Atlanta GA
Meeting called by	President Jagdev Sharma		
Type of meeting	Board of Directors		
Note taker	Janece Bevans-Kerr		
Attendees	Jagdev Sharma, Charles Hofacre, Stewart-Ritchie, Bruce Stewart-Brown, Daniel Bautista, Hector Cervantes, Kenton Kreager, Mark Bland, Kate Barger, Susan Williams, Francene Van Sambeek, Bob Bevans-Kerr, Janece Bevans-Kerr		
Meeting Minutes			
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Motion to approve minutes of the last meeting	Kenton Kreager		
Motion passed			
USDA Committees			
Discussion	The USDA has asked outside organizations to nominate members for two USDA committees. They are: 1. U.S. Secretary Tom Vilsack's committee on Animal Health and 2. The National Advisory committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods.		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Motion to pick Steven Clark as AAAP's representative on the U.S. Secretary's committee on Animal Health.	Bruce Stewart-Brown		
Motion passed			
Motion to ask Alice Johnson and Beth Krushinskie to submit their names for the national Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods and AAAP will write letters of support for them.	Bruce Stewart-Brown		
Motion passed			
Mission Statement			
Jagdev Sharma			
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
Motion to examine mission statement and revise as necessary. Dan Bautista will spearhead the committee.	Hector Cervantes		
Motion passed			
AAAP Bylaw Change			
Jagdev Sharma			
Discussion	<p>The board discussed the need of changing the AAAP Bylaws to be more gender neutral and the procedure to change bylaws in the organization. The proposed change to Article VIII, Section 4 is: "He or she shall conduct business affairs of the organization, collect dues, issue receipts, draw vouchers, and pay bills and expenses. He or she shall arrange for safe keeping of funds, shall keep records of all transactions and submit a yearly statement of financial affairs to the organization. He or she shall keep minutes of all meetings and shall perform the usual duties of a Secretary-Treasurer and such other duties as are assigned by the President."</p> <p>The procedure to change by-laws in AAAP is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed amendment must be signed by three members in good standing and submitted to AAAP board of directors (officers). --Member being, a) a permanent resident of one of the five districts, b) a graduate of a veterinary college, c) if a U.S. resident, a member of AVMA. AAAP board considers the proposed amendment and makes a recommendation. 30 days in advance of the next annual business meeting, (The bylaws say "regular meeting", but for our purposes that would be the annual business meeting.) notice is given that there is a proposed amendment and recommendation and that it will be discussed at the annual meeting. Proposed amendment and recommendation discussed at annual business meeting. Members vote by mail, email or electronic correspondence. Two thirds of the voting members must vote in the affirmative for the bylaw amendment. AAAP has roughly 400 members (that is people who fit the "member" category of membership), so approximately 264 members would have to vote, and vote in the affirmative. 		
Conclusions	Ask three people to sign a petition for a bylaw change and the board will look at it on Wednesday.		
ACPV Bylaw Change			
Chuck Hofacre			
Discussion	ACPV will have a vote from their membership on August 2 that will allow for a person other than the Secretary -Treasurer of AAAP to be the representative of AAAP on the ACPV board of governors. With that in mind, the board discussed who should replace Dr. Hofacre should the amendment pass.		

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Motion that Hector Cervantes be AAAP's representative on the ACPV board of governors.	Bruce Stewart-Brown	
Motion passed		
Finances		
54 th Annual Report and Financial Review from G. Michael Smith Chuck Hofacre		
	Dues were not increased in 2009. Membership decreased. May be due to a decrease in the profession. ½ of AAAP's income in 2009 came from dues. Royalties from the journal were a very important component of the income stream this year. There is a need for at least one AAAP book to be published per year. The board reviewed income trends for AAAP from 2003 to present. AAAP increased its assets by \$18,000.00 in 2009. The bulk of AAAP's money is invested in CDs. Interest rates are 1.7%	
Investment Strategies for \$250,000.00 Tim Harrington of Marin Financial Advisors, LLC		
Discussion	Tim Harrington via conference call, discussed with the board various investment strategies for some of AAAP's money currently in CDs.	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Motion to invest \$150,000.00 in a 50/50 stock market/bonds market mix investment portfolio.	Mark Bland	
Motion passed		
Budget Chuck Hofacre		
Discussion	Dr. Hofacre presented 3 scenarios for a 2011 budget. He also presented a 2012 budget. Items discussed : 1. Dues increase 2. Offering Avian Diseases online only with a print option at a higher cost, This would save AAAP \$52,087.00 in printing costs 3. Suggestions for teaching membership how to get copies of the journal online. 4. Honorarium increase of 3% for the Secretary-Treasurer and Avian Diseases Editor. 5. Increase payment to the management company of 3%.	
Conclusions	Before the board makes the decision to put Avian Diseases from print to online with print on demand, input is needed from the membership.	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Motion to increase dues in 2011 by \$10.00	Bruce Stewart-Brown	
Motion passed		
Motion to increase the Secretary-Treasurer and Avian Diseases Editor's honorarium by 3%	Bruce-Stewart Brown	
Motion passed		
Motion to increase payment to the management company by 3%	Bruce Stewart-Brown	
Motion to approve the 2011 budget which includes a \$10.00 dues increase and pay increases for the secretary-treasurer, Avian Diseases editor and management company.	Kate Barger	
Motion passed		
Motion to have student membership fee include Avian Diseases online only.	Kate Barger	
Motion passed		
Note: If students want print copies, they can opt for print at full price.		
AVMA Issues		
Representative for AVMA Leadership Meeting in January 2012		
Chuck Hofacre		
Action Item	Person Responsible	Deadline
Motion: Ask Ian Rubinoff to represent AAAP at the AVMA Leadership Conference as the young leader.	Dan Bautista	
Motion passed		
AVMA Fellows		
Discussion	Kim Rock, Stic Harris and Melinda Cep, described their experiences as AVMA fellows to the board.	
Action Items		
Contact Dorothy Gray for the names of next year's AVMA fellows and to whom they are assigned. Contact them to make them aware of AAAP.		
Washington D.C. Trip		

Bruce Stewart-Brown		
Discussion	The board generally agreed that meeting with legislative agency personnel and aides to senators and representatives had value. There is a problem with loss of continuity as board members move on and off the board. The board may not be the most efficient group to represent AAAP in Washington.	
Conclusions	Refocus leadership to something different from the whole board of directors. Form a legislative advisory committee.	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Motion: Create a AAAP Legislative Advisory committee to be led by the AAAP's AVMA Advisory Committee. This committee will present to the board a charter the October conference call.	Bruce Stewart-Brown	October 2010
Motion passed		
Membership		
Membership Survey		
Susan Williams		
Discussion	A conclusion drawn from the survey results is that there is a need for more communication about why certain things have been done historically. Why we have associate members. Why we meet with the AVMA. Perhaps there should be more newsletters, or a question/answer section on the website.	
Conclusions	The board encourages the Membership committee to present to the board 3 or 4 action items to facilitate more communication with the membership.	
AAAP Committees		
Animal Welfare Committee Report		
Kristi Scott		
Report	<p>Kristi Scott reported that in 2009 the Animal Welfare committee submitted a position statement of layer housing, finished a paw scoring video, and a statement on leg bruising in broilers. They also addressed chick macerating as a form of euthanasia. The Animal Welfare committee gave input to the selection of a candidate for the PAACO board of directors. Mike Martin represented AAAP at the AVMA.</p> <p>Issues for the board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continuity in the AW committee is important. 2. The AW committee is asking members within committee or all membership to be more active with AAP or state VMA or state poultry association. 3. The poultry industry needs someone just as respected and popular as Temple Grandin to represent poultry. PR for agriculture/poultry. 4. AAAP is being very reactionary to issues. Other organizations have a PR person in place. We need to mirror that. We need to come off as a single voice. 5. Research Priorities: Any area where you're going to have large groups of animals that are going to be handled. Those are the areas where we need to be ready with data. Examples: molting breeding turkey hens. (feed withdrawal), beak trimming after 18 weeks of age, euthanasia methods for large birds, light intensity for layers, broiler breeders. 6. Suggested "School Too" website as a site that AAAP may want to investigate for poultry/animal welfare information. 	
Affiliated Organizations		
USAHA		
Steve Collett		
Discussion	The board asked Steve to write a standard operating procedure (SOP) for his duties as AAAP's representative to USAHA should he ever want to resign from the position.	
AVMA Animal Welfare		
Jose Linares		
Discussion	There is a group developing a low atmospheric stunning on broilers procedure that will soon be asking the AVMA for approval.	
Animal Welfare Specialty College formation committee		
Jose Linares and James Barton		
Discussion	Jose Linares and James Barton discussed with the board the effort to form an Animal Welfare Specialty College led by Connie Weaver. The group is well organized and made up of veterinarians from a wide range of animal expertise. There is still much to be done before an animal welfare college can be established.	
PAACO		
James Barton		

Discussion	PAACO organization is solvent. Training programs planned in red meat and poultry. On meat side, the AMI has just introduced a transportation part to their program. Poultry program has remained basically the same.	
Membership Cont.		
Honorary Membership to David A. Espeseth		
Chuck Hofacre		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Motion that AAAP grant David A Espeseth an honorary member	Bruce Stewart-Brown	
Motion passed		
Attracting More International Members		
Dan Bautista		
Discussion	The board discussed a proposal by Dan Bautista and Hector Cervantes to create a new committee that would act as ambassadors of AAAP and promote AAAP's products and services to poultry professionals in four designated areas of Latin America.	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Motion to create a committee composed of AAAP representatives with the purpose of collaborating with poultry associations in South America, Central America and Mexico.	Dan Bautista	
Motion carried.		
Dan Bautista will form the committee		
Avian Diseases and Avian Diseases Digest		
Jagdev Sharma		
Report	<i>Avian Diseases</i> Dr. Sharma described the editing process. In 2004, 158 manuscripts were submitted for publication. In 2009, that number was 210. They are being more selective than in the past. The lag time for publication of manuscripts has been reduced to 24.4 weeks. In 2009, the impact factor for <i>Avian Diseases</i> was "2".	
Conclusions	<i>Avian Diseases</i> journal is healthy. The team works well. The editorial board and advisory groups are working well. Dr. Sharma recommends phasing in the on-line only option. He also encourages AAAP to solicit more ads for the journal. We may also explore a new portal for the journals. Last, Dr. Sharma asked the board to consider a special award for Jean Baldwin, Managing Editor for Allen Press for her work in publishing <i>Avian Diseases</i> journal.	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Write a proposal for award for Jean Baldwin to present to the board	Jagdev Sharma	
Give a 3% raise to the Avian Diseases Office Manager (included in 2011 budget)		
Discussion	Avian Diseases Digest Revenue is increasing for ADD. Dr. Sharma asked that a raise be given to the science writer. A 3% raise was included in the 2011 budget. Work continues with the Spanish version of ADD and ANECA and with other Spanish speaking countries. Dr. Sharma has also been discussing options with scientists in China, perhaps the first year free and then AAAP would get advertisement revenue. Work needs to be done on soliciting ads for the English and Spanish versions of ADD.	
7.31.2010	10:50 am to 5:00pm	Dogwood B Room Omni Hotel Atlanta, GA
Annual Meeting and Scientific Program		
Donations to the Annual Meeting 2010		
Bob Owen		
Report	Bob Owen reported for Robin Gilbert who was unable to attend the meeting. \$45,450.00 was raised for this year's annual meeting. Dr. Owen commended Robin Gilbert for a job well done. He also showed the board a list of the companies who donated.	
Symposium Proposal for 2011 Meeting		
Bob Owen		
Discussion	There have been difficulties in getting the 2011 symposium established and organized with the PSA due to differences in how each organization plans/organizes their symposia and differences in the kind of content each organization may be looking for. Dr. Owen is working on a new approach. Broiler, breeder, turkey and layer groups have been contacted and asked to submit questions they would like to have answered in a symposium. The symposium will be those questions answered in the short term and long term.	

Conclusions	Contact Gerry Huff to help organize experts to answer the various questions. Have keynote speaker begin the symposium. Keynote speaker topic suggestion: FDA future of antibiotics in animal agriculture.	
Scientific Program		
Richard Chin		
Report	The Program Advisory committee worked out the Scientific Program electronically this year. This year there were a lot of cancellations. 2010 Keynote speaker is Christy Heong of the AVMA. This year there have been some problems with the facilities. Rooms are set up for 321 which are much less than what was requested. Dr. Chin asked for board input about the size of room to request. It's difficult to defend a room for 400 when we don't get that attendance. \$40,000 is budgeted for 2011. Dr. Chin named the future convention sites. There is a new chairman for conventions with the AVMA.	
Conclusions	Suggest requesting one room for 200 and the other for 400.	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Motion to have a ½ day symposium in 2011 and leave the rest of the day for committee meetings.	Kate Barger	
Motion passed		
Motion to leave the keynote speaker for 2011 to Bob Owen's discretion.	Susan Williams	
Motion passed		
AVMA Update from HOD and AVMA registration for Honor Roll Members		
Mo Saif and Gregg Cutler		
Report	The House of Delegates had a debate on the issue of AVMA accreditation of foreign veterinary schools. They are having a task force look into the situation. Voted on the process. The motion was defeated. A resolution was approved for the need to have criteria for the judicious use of antibiotics in animals. Dr. Saif talked with Ron DeHaven regarding the registration fee increase for Honor Roll Members which took place this year. Dr. DeHaven stated they would look into it and agreed it was a bad move not to give seniors a discount.	
AAAP Annual Meeting Events		
Awards Committee		
Calvin Keeler		
Report	There was a new procedure for the unveiling of the P.P. Levine Award this year. The five top candidate's names were released previous to the award. Good feedback was received on that. The Awards committee is working on a new mission statement. They have updated material on the website to include the Jacksonville location. In 2010, there were 17 nominations for various awards. This is a drop from previous years. Student awards remain at the same level. Conflict this year with ACPV board meeting and judging for poster awards. Next year the schedule will be different. Bayer-Snoeyenbos will have two awards this year. This is good as there is a seven year window on that award. Phibro award is the only award not endowed.	
Symposium for 2012		
Chuck Hofacre		
Conclusions	The board voted on a symposium topic from a list generated by AAAP committee chairs. The topic that received the most votes was: "Management Practices for Disease Control: Best Practices." Bob Owen was suggested as a person to organize the symposium.	
Avian Diseases Digest and ANECA		
Maritza Tamayo and Alejandro Banda		
Report	They are working to make Avian Diseases Digest available to Spanish speaking people and beyond. Maritza has contacted poultry professionals in Peru, Bolivia, Chile and elsewhere. She needs a letter from AAAP to fulfill the invitation to ADD. ANECA is offering ADD as a benefit to its members. Translations are being checked by Dr. Banda for scientific language and to make them Spanish neutral. They are planning to talk to other associations to see if they would want to offer ADD like ANECA.	
CAST		
Nathaniel Tablante		
Discussion	The board congratulated Dr. Tablante on his appointment as the next president of CAST. CAST is still working on publishing its commentary on housing of egg layers. AAAP donated \$5,000.00 toward this effort.	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Motion: Recommend Joan Schrader as the next representative to CAST to replace Nathaniel Tablante.	Mark Bland	
Motion passed		
AVMA AUTF		
Tim Cummings		

Report	Dr. Cummings represented AAAP on the AVMA Antibiotic Use Task Force. The task force reached an impasse. No decision was made. They forwarded to the executive board a couple of resolutions which would need to be approved by the House of Delegates.		
Drugs and Therapeutics Committee[Agenda Topic]			
Hector Cervantes			
Conclusions	The board encouraged the Drugs and Therapeutics committee to make judicious use of antibiotics guidelines.		
Educational Materials			
Biosecurity Manual			
Bob Owen			
Report	Bob has a good group of editors. He has asked various editors to write chapters. The tone of the manual will be real world and practical. The goal is to have the book out by the annual meeting next year. In order to do that, it needs to be finished and ready for publication by May 15, 2012. He has asked the editors to have their manuscripts in by April 15, 2012. He currently has outlines from almost all the editors. Bob Owen and Greg Rosales will review the chapters. Kate Barger and Stew Ritchie will work on a chapter for taking proper samples. Mark Bland will email Bob Owen material for small farmers. Also some material for backyard growers.		
Tumor Diagnosis Manual			
Jean Sander			
Report	There has been a shift on who is working on the manual. Martine Boulianne is the editor. They are adapting a two column format. Their goal is to have it to AAAP by the spring of 2012. The authors are to have their chapters in by January 2012. They are submitting the manual for Spanish translation. They are also interested in opportunities to put the book online.		
Tumor Diagnosis Manual			
Bob Bevans-Kerr			
Discussion	The board advises putting a watermark on each image in the manual. Also would like the ability to copy the images onto a PowerPoint. If adding the watermark, the online version of the manual will not be ready for distribution until September.		
Diseases of Poultry			
David Swayne			
Report	They have been negotiating with Wiley Blackwell regarding a publication date of 2013. The book will be approximately 1400 pages. One major change from the last edition is that they are upgrading all the images. There will be a couple of new chapters.		
Report on AI supplement AD issue			
David Swayne			
Report	This was by far the largest supplement published with 613 pages. It was almost \$30,000 over budget and took up the supplement they had. It was more inclusive than most journals and gave some less published authors an opportunity to be published. In the future if they are going to take that approach, they will need to get more sponsors. The next supplement is scheduled for 2012.		
Conclusions	The board asked Dr. Suarez to present a proposal for the next AI supplement to the board.		
8.4.2010	7:00 am to 12:00pm		Redwood Room Omni Hotel Atlanta, GA
New President Welcome			
Stewart Ritchie			
Discussion	President Stewart Ritchie welcomed the new board members, Patty Dunn, Rob Porter and Francene Van Sambeek. Dr. Ritchie stated that during his year as AAAP president, he'd like to focus on the flock manager segment of the AAAP membership and on poultry disease prevention. He feels that next year's combined AAAP/PSA annual meeting will be a good time to interact with more flock managers and give them the opportunity to have more access to pathologists in AAAP. Committees are functioning at a higher level than in the past and he also wants to continue with that.		
Committee Reports			
Tumor Virus Committee			
Gregorio Rosales			

Report	<p>There are 14 members on the Tumor Virus committee. The new system of having committee meetings Sunday afternoon of annual meeting is good. They are considering asking the board to appoint a co-chair for this committee. There is a need to reactivate this committee. They need to produce some initiatives and materials. The new Tumor Diagnosis Manual was discussed. Fantastic effort from colleagues at ADOL. Many times tumor diagnosis is not accurate and the manual will help. The committee needs to be more active educating the members and public about tumor viruses and tumor diseases. One project of interest may be producing fact sheets about frequently asked questions on tumor diagnosis. Committee will review and update new materials. Dr. Rosales thanked the board for their efforts to keep ADOL open. It is the last institution left that does tumor virus research in the U.S. A position statement has been submitted to the AAAP office. The board will review it and send it back to the committee. The final statement will be put on the website.</p>		
Conclusions	<p>Board members supported the idea of fact sheets. Use of FDA cards is exploding. The committee should also make ACPV aware of the sheets if produced. A quick one page reference guide in layman's terms would be useful. A lot of field harvest is done by laymen. The slide study set on Marek's Diseases may need updating.</p>		
Isolation, Identification and Characterization of Avian Pathogens Manual			
Louise Dufour-Zavala			
Report	<p>The committee is taking a fresh look at the new edition of manual. They have questioned much about the present manual and decided that it needs revamping. Her reasons for this are included in her written report. This change will require new membership on the committee. She asked the board's advice on the proper procedure for this. Dr. Dufour-Zavala also asked for some information on who is buying manual. The board and Dr. Zavala discussed what should and should not be in the manual.</p>		
Conclusions	<p>The board asked Dr. Zavala to make a list of committee members for the president's approval.</p>		
Awards Committee			
Calvin Keeler			
Report	<p>The Awards Committee has written a new mission statement. They will work with the AAAP office to get it on the web. The low number of submissions to several awards is a concern of the committee. They are considering the following changes to bring to the board: 1. New Process—Nominations stay open for three years. Could give nominator the option of updating the nomination. 2. Determine process to have electronic submissions for awards. 3. Recraft wording for the Life Award. Clarify "retired" 4. The committee is continuing to discuss the idea of self nominations for at least some of the awards.</p>		
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
Motion from Awards Committee (chair Calvin Keeler) to hold nominations open for non-student awards for 3 years and to have some of the nomination process done electronically on the website.		Calvin Keeler	
Motion passed			
Add to student poster application a check box stating that students understand that they must have their poster up by noon time Sunday.		Calvin Keeler	
Awards Committee recommends that Andre Ziegler be reappointed to a 3 year term, that Darrell Kapczynski remain as past president for a one year term, that Calvin Keeler be appointed as chair, Hyun Lillehoj added to the committee to replace Darrell Kapczynski and last that Kate Barger be added to replace Robin Gilbert.		Calvin Keeler	
The president approved all the recommendations.			
Electronics Committee			
Ton Schatt			
Report	<p>Committee is still in the formation process. Discussions on developing a system where they have an open forum on the website. There was much discussion on the possibility of housing Dr. Fletcher's histopath slides on the AAAP website. This is a major project to get each slide on the website and verify each slide. There would also be a definite expense as the collection is quite large. Also discussed for website view were the slides in Slide Study set 1-25. Many of those slides are in need of updating. Updating work could be divided among the AAAP committees.</p>		
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
Discuss a business plan with Dr. Fletcher regarding his histopathology slides on the AAAP website.		Rob Porter	
Food Safety Committee			
Discussion	<p>This committee has not been functioning this past year. Suzanne Dougherty was suggested as a possible chair. Also Allen Byrd for ARS was recommended as chair or perhaps vice-chair. Bruce Stewart-Brown would like to stay on the committee even though his term as board liaison is finished. Ian Rubinoff expressed interest in joining the committee. The committee needs to reestablish some real objectives.</p>		

Biologics Committee		
Charlie Broussard		
Report	19 people attended this year's meeting. The new time works much better. They focused on getting representatives from each area on the core committee. Recommends that Joan Schrader be accepted as vice chair. The issues the committee is addressing are contained in the written report. Should there be some board action in response to restrictions on getting vaccines to customers?	
Conclusions	Board recommended that the Biologics committee discuss the issue with veterinarians in USAHA. Julie Helms in particular.	
Histopathology/Case Report Interest Group		
H. L. Shivaprasad		
Report	This year the group met from 1:10 to 4:40 on Saturday, July 31 st . 15 people made 20 presentations. They had a lively discussion. Dr. Shivaprasad brought four issues before the board. 1. He asked that AAAP provide the screen needed for the Histopathology/Case Report meeting for future meetings. 2. The need for marketing ideas for the Avian Histopathology 3 rd Edition book. Recommended sending the book to be reviewed and then advertising the review. 3. The possibility of a future book based on diagnostic slide sets. 4. The group may be interested in organizing a future symposium. Susan Williams is slated to be the next vice-chair.	
Conclusions	The board asked Dr. Shivaprasad to contact members regarding borrowing a screen for future meetings and if unsuccessful, contact the AAAP office.	
Education Committee		
David Ley (for Isabel Gimeno)		
Report	They have prioritized the slide study set images they are interested in presenting on the website. A spreadsheet with this prioritization is in the written report. They are developing a method of presenting slides on the website for purchase, probably a downloadable PDF. There are many collections of images that are available for AAAP to present on the web as a digital library. This would be a win/win situation for all.	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Present a proposal to the board regarding the purchase of digital images on the AAAP website. Include what you would like to do, costs, how you think it would benefit the membership.	Education Committee Isabel Gimeno, chair	
New Committees		
Bruce Stewart-Brown		
Report	<u>The Diseases of Public Health Significance committee</u> met without Bruce. Bill Pierson took notes. He would be a good chair. Those who attended the meeting were: Bill Pierson, Peter O'Kane, Rodrigo Espinosa, Claude Hebron, Salsidhar Malladi and Alejandro Banda. <u>The Emergency Diseases Management committee</u> could possibly put on a symposium in the next five years. Bruce Stewart-Brown asked the board for recommendation for a chair for this committee. Ideas: Mark Smeltzer, David Shapiro, Rick Sharpton, and David Hermes. Bruce will stay involved with this committee.	
Research Priorities		
John Smith		
Report	The committee has been established. They have equal numbers from academia and industry. They would like to add a technician and a diagnostician to the group. They put together a mission statement. They conducted a review of the major funding agencies. Dr. Smith will submit the written report. The largest agencies are the USDA, US Poultry and Midwest Poultry Consortium. They have also surveyed the membership regarding research priorities. They have not been able to evaluate the survey yet. The committee is concerned about the new approach to funding outlined by Margo Holland. Membership could use suggestions on how to work with the categories outlined by Margo and be creative in crafting their grant proposals. Dr. Smith discussed the process of committee succession with the board and asked if the chair of this committee have to be the vice-chair of the Program Advisory committee. He would suggestion that that not be a requirement. Current vice-chair is Kenton Kreager.	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Draft a message to membership on how to draft grant proposals	Research Priorities Committee John Smith chair	
Membership Committee		
Pat Wakenell (for Andres Montoya)		

Report	Three old members and nine new members attended the meeting. Committee asked the board to consider one fee good for four years for student members. Also suggested having a translator for the annual meeting. There is some confusion as to whether committee membership is open or closed. Can a person interested in a committee come to the meeting as scheduled on Sunday afternoon? New members asked for a senior member mentor.		
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
Send a mentor request form with new member packet.		Janece Bevans-Kerr	
Add a mentor sign-up sheet to website		Janece Bevans-Kerr	
List schedules for committee meetings and industry groups separately for 2011. Explain meeting policy for each.		Janece Bevans-Kerr	
Respiratory Committee			
Maricarmen Garcia			
Report	There were 34 members at this year's meeting. They had four presentations. Maricarmen stated the activities of the committee for the past year which are in her written report. The committee may work on standardizing PCRs in the future. Alejandro Banda and Bruce Charlton were recommended to replace committee members David Suarez and Peter Woolcock who are rotating off the core committee. Asked that inactive member John El-Attrache be replaced by Holly Sellers. All recommendations were accepted. Discussed committee structure, specifically core members vs. general committee members.		
Enteric Diseases Committee			
Eric Jensen			
Report	26 people attended the meeting this year. The new schedule worked well. One informational presentation. They are working on a list of research priorities and a future symposium. Recommend Michael Day as new chair and Dan Karunakaran for new vice-chair.		
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
Put WVPA convention link on the website		Bob Bevans-Kerr	
Put flyer for WVPA convention in the fall newsletter		Janece Bevans-Kerr	
Epidemiology Committee			
David Zellner			
Report	5 core members were present at this year's meeting. They voted on a new mission statement. Biosecurity has gotten intertwined with epidemiology and the committee members feel it's not a good fit. They don't have a combination in their mission statement. This year the committee conducted a survey. They feel like 75% of those in the field responded. They worked on a white paper ILT review and that has been forwarded to the board. David Zellner is the new chair. They recommend Randy Chick as new vice-chair. Over the last 5 year time span, the committee has not been active, but under the last chair Suzanne Dougherty, it has become active.		
History Committee			
John Dunn			
Report	There were many in attendance at this year's History Committee meeting. The joint history lecture with the PSA was discussed at the meeting. They have potential topics and they are working with the PSA. They were happy with Dr. Espeseth's history lecture this year. He and Hiram Lasher will have an article in AD. Ray Williams is also working on an historical review paper. Committee agreed on David Smith's "History of Vaccination Equipment," for a paper in Avian Diseases and will send it to Dr. Sharma. Dr. Sharma asked for a larger inventory of cover photos for AD. The committee has 500 photos from Bruce Calnek. 260 new pictures were taken at this year's meeting. Bob Bevans-Kerr will put the new pictures on the AAAP website. Dr. Witter and Dr. Bickford went to archives in Iowa last year. They will contact the board regarding action items. Bob Owen is taking over as chair. They need to identify a new vice-chair.		
Program Advisory Committee			
Rich Chin			
Report	It seemed like a good meeting this year. The AVMA has a difficult time finding the number of AAAP attendees. A guesstimate is over 300. AVMA had 9525 attendees. There was one no show for orals from Jordan. There were 8 no shows for posters. 4 from China were missing, 1 from Iran. Last day of meetings had several problems. Doors locked in the morning and the coffee service was left outside. The AAAP office will make sure there is a plan in place for those types of instances next year. Dr. Chin would prefer to survey the membership after the meeting through email. Synchrony will be even more important next year with the shared meeting and many more sessions. Some kind of notification to speaker (ex. Lights) will be very helpful. Will ask the AVMA for that.		
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline
Make a recommendation to the board regarding a "no show" policy		Rich Chin and John Smith	
Send out an electronic survey.		Rich Chin and Bob Bevans-Kerr	
Discuss the survey for 2011 with Amy Batal		Rich Chin	