



Toronto Academy of Veterinary Medicine

2010 Annual General Meeting

7:00pm, Tuesday, February 9, 2010

1. Call to Order

Dr. Carol Cameron, President of TAVM for the year 2009 called the meeting to order at 7:05pm with approximately 109 members in attendance.

Dr. Cameron announced that a quorum was present.

MOTION: That the agenda be approved as circulated. (This motion was not made)

Proposed:

Seconded:

Motion carried

2. Approval of Minutes of February 10, 2009 AGM

MOTION: That the 2009 AGM minutes be approved as circulated.

Proposed: Nasim Gulamhusein

Seconded: Jerome Katchin

Motion carried

3. Treasurer's Report

Dr. Bob Clement, Treasurer for 2009 gave a brief report on the financial status of TAVM.

He indicated that we are going into 2010 in good shape. We did have a deficit at the end of 2009 in the amount of \$1600, but we are going into 2010 with about \$90,000. We moved \$5000 from the TAVM bank account to the ING investment account at the beginning of 2009 and will likely move money over this year as well. The goal is to have approximately one years' operating expenses in reserve.

MOTION: To approve the audited financial statements, year ending November 30, 2009

Proposed: Jerome Katchin

Seconded: Rob Jones

Motion carried

4. Secretary's Report

Dr. Jennifer Day, Secretary for 2009 gave the following brief report.

Dr. Day Thanked Gawenda and Company for the great job they are doing with the layout of the Scalpel. The Scalpel continues to grow and the Board is happy with the issues to date and that we've received positive feedback from members. J. Day thanked the advertisers and suggested to members that they may also want to thank the advertisers that they cross paths with, because without them we would not be able to produce such a successful newsletter.

She talked about the column that Senani Ratnayake writes, to highlight a particular clinic in each issue. If members are aware of a clinic that has an interesting story, we would love to highlight them in the Scalpel

Dr. Day thanked those who contribute articles regularly to the Scalpel. And finally she thanked Rob Jones who is taking her place on the executive as the secretary and main editor of the Scalpel.

The membership was asked for any comments, suggestions, and contributions for the Scalpel.

MOTION: A motion was not made

Proposed:

Seconded:

Motion carried

5. President's Report

Dr. Carol Cameron reported on the status of the TAVM.

Dr. Cameron asked each Board member to stand as she recognized them individually.

She talked about the newly implemented early bird registration fee and indicated that it has worked quite well. The reason for the implementation was to encourage potential members to register far in advance of the AGM and to avoid numerous last minute registrations that would not get processed in time.

Dr. Cameron advised that the Board would be discussing potential 2011 speakers at our next meeting. So if anyone has any suggestions, please be sure to fill out and hand in the survey that they were given at the registration table.

As always, she invited members who are interested in being involved, to contact one of the Board members, or to join us at one of our monthly Board meetings.

MOTION: A motion was not made

Proposed:

Seconded:

Motion carried

6. Amendments to the By-Laws

Dr. Carol Cameron addressed the discrepancy that Dr. Jerome Katchin brought forward at the 2009 AGM. To that end the wording in the By-Laws, Article 1, has been changed to read: "Member" or "Members" shall mean a Veterinarian having Active Membership in the Toronto Academy of Veterinary Medicine, OR any individual approved by the Board of Directors.

MOTION: To approve the by-laws with the change of wording to Article 1

Proposed: Jerome Katchin
Seconded: Edith Yearwood
Motion carried

7. Election of Officers & Directors for 2010

Carol Cameron asked if there were nominations from the floor. No nominations were forthcoming.

MOTION: That the slate of Executive and Directors be accepted as per the following list.

EXECUTIVE:

Dr. Davod Kafai, President
Dr. Lynn Broadhurst, President Elect
Dr. Carol Cameron, Past President
Dr. Bob Clement, Treasurer
Dr. Rob Jones, Secretary

DIRECTORS:

Dr. Cheryl Birss
Dr. Jennifer Day
Dr. Sherry Deemar
Dr. Avery Gillick
Dr. Nasim Gulamhusein
Senani Ratnayake
Dr. Edith Yearwood

Proposed: Andrea Chapin
Seconded: Enna Hughes
Motion carried

8. Other Business

Dr. Davod Kafai thanked Carol Cameron for her time and contributions as President for the past two years. He then asked the membership if there was any other business from the floor, but none was forthcoming.

9. Adjournment

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned

Proposed: Andrea Chapin
Seconded: Jennifer Day
Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.