



THE COLLEGE OF
VETERINARIANS
OF ONTARIO

Council Meeting
December 5 and 6, 2017
9:00 a.m., Council Chamber

MINUTES

Presiding Officer: Dr. Marc Marin

Members present: Dr. Jennifer Day
Dr. Tyrrel de Langley
Ms. Diane Freeman
Mr. Andrew Glenny
Mr. Murray Hunt
Dr. Steven Jacobs
Dr. Patricia Lechten
Dr. Richard Liddell
Mr. Donald Mayne
Dr. Paula Menzies
Ms. Claudia Newman
Dr. Sandra Rice
Dr. Liz Saul
Dr. Sarah Thompson
Dr. Susan Warren

Appointed officer: Ms. Jan Robinson, Registrar and CEO

Regrets: Dr. Suminder Sawhney

Staff in Attendance: Ms. Kim Huson, Communications Specialist
Dr. Kim Lambert, Associate Registrar, Quality Practice
Ms. Anita Lovrich, Policy Specialist
Ms. Beth Ready, Executive Partner, Corporate Services
Ms. Shilo Tooze, Associate Registrar, Licensure

Guests: Ms. Agnes Pawelek, OMAFRA Representative

Observers: Ms. Aneeta Bharij
Ms. Megan Callaway
Ms. Ashley Coles
Ms. Sarah Ellery
Mr. Martin Fischer
Ms. Rose Robinson
Ms. Lindsay Sproule
Ms. Marg Harrington

1. Call to order

Dr. Marin called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed Councillors, incoming Councillors, guests and observers who were in attendance.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the agenda be adopted as circulated.”

CARRIED

3. Conflict of Interest

No conflicts were declared.

4. Consent Agenda

Councillors reviewed the consent agenda and it was requested that

- 4.2 – President’s Report
- 4.3 – Registrar’s Report
- 4.4.2 – Registration Committee Report

be removed from the consent agenda to be discussed separately.

All of the following consent agenda items were approved as presented:

- 4.1 Minutes from the September 27 and 28, 2017 meeting
- 4.4 Committee Reports
 - 4.4.1 Accreditation
 - 4.4.3 Complaints
 - 4.4.4 Discipline
 - 4.4.5 Executive
 - 4.4.6 Quality Assurance

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Consent Agenda be approved with item 4.2, 4.3, and 4.4.2 to be discussed separately.”

CARRIED

4.2 President’s Report

Dr. Marc Marin informed Council that he met with the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, accompanied by the Registrar and 1st Vice President, on December 4th. The meeting was very positive and the Minister looks forward to receiving the concept paper relating to the modernization of the *Veterinarians Act*.

Dr. Marin provided an update on the Veterinarians without Borders Workshop he attended.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the President’s Report as presented.”

CARRIED

4.3 Registrar’s Report

The Registrar provided clarification on a recent court decision relating to the area of cosmetic teeth cleaning procedures performed by non-veterinarians.

The Registrar reported that the Growing Forward 2 (GF2) project is now complete. The final report and webinar are posted on the College website.

A Councillor reported that she had received comments relating to the College’s licence renewal card. The member expressed her disappointment that members had to print their licence card off rather than the College forwarding a card to them. The Registrar reported that changes were made to the processing of licence cards.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Registrar’s Report as presented.”

CARRIED

4.4.2 Registration Committee Report

The Associate Registrar, Licensure and Principal, Licensure and Incorporations, provided a presentation on Licenced Members Demographics and answered Councillors’ questions.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Registration Committee Report as presented.”

CARRIED

5. Strategic Alignment

5.1 Evaluation

- September 27 and 28, 2017

Mr. Murray Hunt introduced this agenda item.

Council reviewed the meeting evaluation from its meeting held September 27 and 28, 2017.

Councillors are encouraged to complete the evaluation form and provide any comments.

5.2.1 Strategy 2020 Tactics

Dr. Marc Marin introduced this agenda item.

Council reviewed the Strategy 2020 update on first year tactics which included objectives, tactics and accomplishments.

The document was provided to Council for information.

5.3 Policy Review and Project Priorities Tracking

This chart was provided for information.

5.4 Balanced Scorecard

Mr. Murray Hunt introduced this agenda item.

Council is provided with a Scorecard Dashboard and completed Indicators Table on a quarterly basis. The Dashboard is a high-level document populated in colour to assist with drawing easy attention to areas that may require deeper examination.

Council reviewed and discussed the Dashboard and completed Indicators for the fourth quarter – July, August, and September 2017.

5.5 Council Roundtable

Media Trends - Regulatory Trends - Legal Trends

Councillors were provided by staff with the top trends relating to the media, regulation and recent legal cases.

Councillors reviewed each category and provided comments.

General Trends

Councillors were given the opportunity to raise any matter that they believe is relevant to the College. Comments included:

- a Councillor reported on his attendance at the Guelph Regional Veterinary Association luncheon
- CBC report on human telehealth services – virtual check-ups eliminate wait times
- Councillor continues to receive comments relating to the Rekhi case matter, and questions on medical marijuana – people are referred to the College for further information
- the American Animal Hospital Association has produced a Guide to Veterinary Team Wellbeing – seeks to address mental health issues within the veterinary profession

- article in National Post on “institutional betrayal” when health-care workers and organizations do not respond effectively to problems or unexpected events
- the Ontario Veterinary College has published its “Healthy Futures Strategic Plan” – the document will be posted on the College’s intranet site

6.1 Financial Statements ending October 31, 2017

Council reviewed the Variance Report, Balance Sheet, and Revenue and Expenses Statement, ending October 31, 2017.

These documents are presented as information only.

7. Public Policy

7.1 Modernization of the *Veterinarians Act*, and

7.1.1 Consultation Feedback and Suggested Amendments

Ms. Julie Maciura, College legal counsel, was present for this agenda item, to assist with any questions.

The Registrar introduced this agenda item and provided a presentation outlining an overview of the Council activities to date in consideration of modernizing the *Veterinarians Act*.

As part of its strategic foresight exercises in 2013, Council recognized that there was an increasing need to complete a thorough review of the *Veterinarians Act* and determine the need to update and modernize it. Over the past 4 years Council has considered numerous suggestions from its working groups, conducted 9 consultations, and shaped the proposals from feedback received.

Council has proposed 19 different concepts worthy of consideration by government. The concepts are based on a set of overarching guiding principles and significant best practice research.

Council was provided with a full report on the feedback received. A table which included each concept, feedback themes, and recommended changes were provided to Council for its consideration.

Council considered and robustly discussed each separate concept.

Objects of the College

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Objects of the College proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Council Composition

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Council Composition proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Statutory Committees and Panel Composition

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Statutory Committees and panel Composition proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Ministerial Powers

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Ministerial Powers proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Regulation and By-Law Making Powers

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Regulation and By-Law Making Powers proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Scope of Practice

Definition

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Definition of Scope of Practice proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Authorized Activities

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Authorized Activities of Scope of Practice proposed concept and recommendation as presented.”

CARRIED

Restrictions on Delegation

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Restrictions on Delegation of Scope of Practice proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Subset of Activities Authorized to Veterinary Technicians

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Subset of Activities Authorized to Veterinary Technicians of Scope of Practice proposed concept and recommendation as presented.”

CARRIED

Risk of Harm Clause

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Risk of Harm Clause of Scope of Practice proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Exemptions

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Exemptions of Scope of Practice proposed concept and recommendations as presented.”

CARRIED

Title Protection

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Title Protection of Scope of Practice proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Mandatory Quality Assurance

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Mandatory Quality Assurance proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Screening Model

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Screening Model proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Mandatory Reporting

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Mandatory Reporting proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Investigator Appointments and Powers

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Investigator Appointments and Powers proposed concept and recommendations as presented.”

CARRIED

Interim Suspensions

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Interim Suspensions proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Publicizing Notices of Hearing

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Publicizing Notices of Hearing proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

The Annual Council Meeting began at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Continuation of Council Meeting

At this time the three new Council members (Dr. Peter Borgs, Dr. Lorie Gold, and Dr. Shannah Kavonic) joined the table.

Election of Executive Committee – 2017-2018

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario appoint Ms. Shilo Tooze as chair, and Ms. Kim Huson and Ms. Anita Lovrich as scrutineers, for the 2017-2018 election of the Executive Committee.”

CARRIED

Ms. Shilo Tooze explained the election process and rules of election. She then opened the floor for nominations.

Dr. Steven Jacobs was nominated for the position of President. The chair called for nominations three times and, there being no further nominations, declared Dr. Steven Jacobs elected by acclamation to the office of President.

Dr. Patricia Lechten was nominated for the position of 1st Vice President. The chair called for nominations three times and, there being no further nominations, declared Dr. Patricia Lechten elected by acclamation to the office of 1st Vice President.

Dr. Tyrrel de Langley and Dr. Susan Warren were nominated for the position of 2nd Vice President. The chair called for nominations three times and hearing none, nominations were closed. Dr. de Langley and Dr. Warren provided brief comments on the reasons for running for a position on the Executive Committee. In the first round of secret ballots, Dr. Susan Warren received the majority of votes cast and was elected to the office of 2nd Vice President.

Dr. Marc Marin was declared elected as Past President.

Ms. Claudia Newman was nominated for the position of Public Member. The chair called for nominations three times and, there being no further nominations, declared Ms. Claudia Newman elected by acclamation to the office of Public Member.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario appoint Dr. Steven Jacobs, President, Dr. Patricia Lechten, 1st Vice President, Dr. Susan Warren, 2nd Vice President, Dr. Marc Marin, Past President, and Ms. Claudia Newman, Public Member, to the Executive Committee for 2017-2018.”

CARRIED

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That all ballots for the election process be destroyed.”

CARRIED

The new President, Dr. Steven Jacobs, resumed the meeting as Chair. Dr. Marc Marin presented Dr. Steven Jacobs with a CVO President pin.

Dr. Steven Jacobs addressed Council.

At this time Dr. Jacobs presented Dr. Peter Borgs, Dr. Lorie Gold, and Dr. Shannah Kavonic with a CVO lapel pin.

The meeting adjourned.



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Mr. Martin Fischer
Ms. Rose Robinson
Ms. Lindsay Sproule

Dr. Steven Jacobs called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

No conflicts were declared.

At this time a brief health and safety presentation was provided by Mr. Martin Fischer and Ms. Sarah Ellery.

7. Public Policy

Expanded Public Register

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Expanded Public Register proposed concept, removing the wording “reported at annual licensure.”

10 For
6 Opposed
CARRIED

Confidentiality and Immunity

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Confidentiality and Immunity proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Annual General Meetings

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Annual General Meetings proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Offences and Fines

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Offences and Fines proposed concept as presented.”

CARRIED

Final Recommendation

Councillors were in agreement to forward the proposed concepts to the Ministry.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario direct staff to forward all of the proposed concepts to the Ministry for its consideration.”

CARRIED

7.1.2 Terms of Reference – Legislative Reform Implementation Advisory Group

One component of the Legislative Reform initiative was the inclusion of veterinarian technicians with the proposed scope of practice model. Throughout the development of this portion of the College’s work on the Act, Council worked closely with the Ontario Association of Veterinary Technicians (OAVT). This process has brought tremendous alignment between veterinarians and veterinary technicians in relation to a common goal. Collateral amendments to the *Veterinarians Act* will have to be considered.

In order to address the remaining matters related to the regulation of veterinarians and veterinary technicians under one piece of legislation, it was suggested to implement an advisory group.

Council considered a draft Terms of Reference for the Legislative Reform Implementation Advisory Group. The Scope of Work will be divided into two Phases. Any recommendations will be brought forward to Council for its consideration.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario approve the draft Terms of Reference for the Legislative Reform Implementation Advisory Group as presented.”

CARRIED

7.1.3 Defining Incompetence

Council has considered this item at previous meetings. Due to the public outcome of a difficult discipline case in 2016, Council has considered several opportunities to improve its processes and/or increase clarity on the expectations of veterinarians. One option reviewed was to strengthen the professional misconduct regulation by adding “abusing an animal” as a sanctionable offense. In considering this, an analysis of the College Committees’ use of the definition of “serious neglect” was required. Legal counsel advice was sought relating to these areas as well as a definition of abuse of an animal, and consideration of mandatory penalties for animal abuse or neglect by a veterinarian.

Council considered a series of recommendations which included replacing the definition of “serious neglect” with the term “incompetence” in the Act, add “abusing an animal”, and “neglecting an animal or demonstrating disregard for the welfare of an animal”, as acts of professional misconduct, and adding mandatory penalties for abusing or neglecting an animal.

Council robustly discussed the suggested recommendations.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario approve the direction as presented, and make changes in tandem with legislative reform. This would be inclusive of appropriate public consultation.”

CARRIED

7.1.4 Pharmacy Exemption

One concept of the legislative reform initiative is the recommended change to the Scope of Practice of veterinary medicine. Inclusive in that proposal is a list of exemptions related to the authorized activities. One profession key to the suggested recommendations is pharmacy.

As the College moves to an authorized activities model there are concerns that the expanded scope of practice of pharmacists in human health care will not equally apply to animals. Legal counsel has been sought to provide guidance for potential language to appropriately manage the exemption of pharmacy in a modernized *Veterinarians Act*.

Council was provided, for its information, with a copy of a letter that was sent to the Ontario College of Pharmacists regarding the need for potential boundaries or risk barriers related to the dispensing to animals by pharmacists in a new *Veterinarians Act*. Final recommendations will be forwarded to Council for consideration and decision in 2018.

7.2 Humane Handling and Restraint of Animals

Dr. Patricia Lechten introduced this agenda item.

As part of its 3-year Animal Welfare Agenda, Council identified as a Year 1 tactic, developing policy guidance for veterinarians on the humane handling and restraint of animals. Based on preliminary research on this topic, it is suggested that a short-term advisory group may benefit the development of such a document.

Council considered a Briefing Note and draft terms of reference for a veterinarian’s Advisory Group to review Proper Handling and Restraint of Animals.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Terms of Reference for Proper Handling and Restraint of Animals by Veterinarians Advisory Group as presented, with the addition of a representative from the Ontario Association of Veterinary Technicians.”

CARRIED

7.3 Antimicrobial Resistance

7.3.1 Overview of Activity to Date

Over the past several years Council has been involved in varied and multiple discussions on its role and the role of veterinarians in stewardship related to the prudent use of antimicrobials in animal medicine and how best to participate in initiatives to mitigate antimicrobial resistance.

The College’s involvement has been both at the provincial and national level in relation to developing resources, supports, education and policy.

The Registrar provided a presentation to Council on antimicrobial resistance activities to date.

7.3.2 Prescribing and Apiculture

Veterinary oversight of the prescribing of antimicrobials will be required for all animals as of December 1, 2018. This is a result of new federal legislation and policy to assist in the reduction of antimicrobial resistance for both animals and humans. To date the care of bees has not required a veterinarian.

Solutions to the availability of veterinarians and what is needed to establish and maintain a valid veterinarian-client-patient-relationship (VCPR) are actively being considered. The nature of the VCPR is somewhat different for the apiary industry, requiring the College’s attention for approval of a variation from existing rules.

The Registrar informed Council that meetings related to the role of the VCPR in bee medicine are being held at both the provincial level with OMAFRA staff and the industry, and with the Canadian Council of Veterinary Registrars (CCVR), to attempt to attain a consistent approach nationally.

Council will be kept up to date on any further information.

7.3.3 Prescribing and Aquaculture

As the same with apiculture, veterinary oversight of the prescribing of antimicrobials will be required for all animals as of December 1, 2018. This is a result of new federal legislation and policy to assist in the reduction of antimicrobial resistance for both animals and humans. The treatment of fish, which is different than all other animals, is currently exempt from the *Veterinarians Act*.

Aquaculture will include fish farms, pet stores that sell fish, pet fish owners, etc. Access to licenced veterinarians to assist with prescribing at fish farms in Ontario is not a concern, it is the change in pet stores requiring access to a veterinarian.

The College is in early days of understanding the needs related to veterinary education to competently prescribe for fish. Council will be provided further information at its meeting in March 2018.

7.3.4 Dispensing and Farmed Animals

Over the last several months the College has been meeting with staff from OMAFRA and the OVMA to discuss dispensing of antimicrobials, particularly in farmed animal medicine.

One of the many challenges in this area includes the accessibility of prescribed drugs to producers, as Livestock Medicines Outlets, by December 2018, will no longer be able to sell drugs directly, other than through approved channels of medicated feed.

Conversations in attempting to develop solutions to bulk supply and dispensing, have included government, veterinarians, drug wholesalers, and College legal counsel.

Council considered a proposed model for dispensing non-controlled drugs in farmed animal medicine through a veterinary managed drug wholesaler. The information was provided for information and to answer any questions of Council. Further information will be forwarded to Council in March 2018.

7.4 Policy – Referral to Law Enforcement

Due to time constraints, this agenda item will be included on the March 2018 agenda.

7.5 Boundaries – Relationships with Clients

Due to time constraints, this agenda item will be included on the March 2018 agenda.

7.6 Proposed Changes – Peer Review of Medical Records

Due to time constraints, this agenda item will be included on the March 2018 agenda.

8. Organizational Policy

8.1 Statutory Committee Slates

A slate of nominees, assembled by the Executive Committee, was presented by Dr. Patricia Lechten.

Executive Committee

Dr. Steven Jacobs, President, Dr. Patricia Lechten, 1st Vice President, Dr. Susan Warren, 2nd Vice President, Dr. Marc Marin, Past President, and Ms. Claudia Newman, Public Member.

Registration Committee

Dr. Paula Menzies, Chair, Dr. Tyrrel de Langley, Dr. Peter Borgs, Mr. Murray Hunt and Dr. Anilkumar Illathu.

Accreditation Committee

Dr. Jennifer Day, Chair, Dr. Lorie Gold, Dr. Marc Marin, Ms. Diane Freeman, and Dr. Sara Untch.

Complaints Committee

Mr. Andrew Glenny, Chair, Dr. Richard Liddell, Dr. Allan Corber, Dr. Naomi Scromeda, Dr. Lee Ann Sealey, Dr. Lisa Schwarz, Dr. Natalie Soligo, Dr. Louise Kelly, Dr. Kristin Baird, and Dr. Moyra Horner.

Discipline Committee

Dr. Jennifer Day, Chair, Dr. Patricia Lechten, Dr. Richard Liddell, Dr. Marc Marin, Dr. Peter Borgs, Dr. Shannah Kavonic, Dr. Lorie Gold, Dr. Sarah Thompson, Dr. Susan Warren, Dr. Paula Menzies, Dr. Tyrrel de Langley, Ms. Diane Freeman, Mr. Murray Hunt, Ms. Claudia Newman, Mr. Andrew Glenny, Mr. Donald Mayne, Mr. Martin Appelt, Dr. Trevor Bachelder, Dr. John Brajkovich, Dr. Scott Gardiner, Dr. Meredith Geldart, Dr. Douglas Hoover, Dr. Harold Kloeze, Dr. Lena Levison, Dr. Clayton MacKay, Dr. Lynn Morgan and Dr. Liz Saul.

Quality Assurance Committee

Dr. Sarah Thompson, Chair, Dr. Shannah Kavonic, Dr. Sue Burlatschenko, Dr. Robert Berger, and Mr. Donald Mayne.

National Examining Board Representative

Dr. Bev Baxter

Registrar's Performance Review Panel

Dr. Steven Jacobs, President, Dr. Marc Marin, Dr. Patricia Lechten, Ms. Claudia Newman and Dr. Susan Warren.

Livestock Medicines Advisory Committee Representative

Dr. Andrew White

Governance, Audit and Risk Committee

Ms. Claudia Newman, Chair, Dr. Marc Marin, Dr. Patricia Lechten, Mr. Donald Mayne, and Dr. Steven Jacobs (Ex-Officio).

8.2 Appointment of Deputy Returning Officers

Two names were brought forward who indicated were interested in serving as Deputy Returning Officers for the By-Election to be held on January 16, 2018.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario, in accordance with By-Law 8(1) appoint Dr. Nina Szpakowski and Dr. Marco Mazzocco as Deputy Returning Officers for the by-election to be held in Electoral District #8 on January 16, 2018.”

CARRIED

9. Other Business

None

10. Notice of Motion

A Notice of Motion is the way in which a Councillor can request Council to take action on an issue, as per Robert's Rules.

A Notice of Motion is a standing item on the Council Agenda. At the appropriate time, a Councillor who so wishes, may state an intent to make a motion at the next meeting on a matter. The matter will then be included on the next meeting's agenda. The Councillor making the original notice will speak to the matter and a majority vote will be needed to proceed with adding the item to Council's regular order of business and directing next steps for staff.

Dr. Lorie Gold made the following statement of intent to make a motion at the next Council meeting:

That the College of Veterinarians of Ontario address changes in continuity of care – sharing medical records.

11. Confidentiality

Councillors were reminded that Council meetings are public meetings.

All budget/financial documents are not to be shared outside of the meeting as these documents are working documents of Council and not public material.

Minutes of the Council meeting are not approved until its next meeting.

12. Evaluation Form

The Council meeting evaluation form will be forwarded for completion electronically via Survey Monkey. Councillors are encouraged to complete the evaluation which is helpful in continually improving future Council meetings.

Presentation

At this time Dr. Paul Innes, Manager, Veterinary Science and Policy at the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs provided a presentation on the Plant and Animal Health Strategy for Canada. Councillors and staff found the presentation to be very informative.

13. Date of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of Council will be held on March 21 and 22, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

14. Adjourn

MOTION: It was moved,

“That the meeting of Council be adjourned.”

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Marc Marin, DVM
President 2016/2017

Steven Jacobs, DVM
President 2017/2018

Jan Robinson
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1. Call to order

Dr. Marin introduced Deputy Minister Greg Meredith and Dr. Leslie Woodcock, Chief Veterinarian for Ontario. Dr. Marin thanked them for attending.

Dr. Marin called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Deputy Meredith provided remarks thanking Council for the invitation to speak. He expressed the importance of the partnership between the Ministry and the College. The Deputy commented on topics such as modernization of the *Veterinarians Act* and antimicrobial resistance. He answered questions posed by Council.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the agenda be adopted as circulated.”

CARRIED

3. Annual Reports of Committees

Written reports for each Committee were provided in the Council package.

3.1 Accreditation

Dr. Sandra Rice, Chair of the Accreditation Committee, provided an oral report.

3.2 Registration

Dr. Susan Warren, Chair of the Registration Committee, provided an oral report.

3.3 Complaints

Mr. Andrew Glenny, Chair of the Complaints Committee, provided an oral report.

3.4 Discipline

Dr. Jennifer Day, Chair of the Discipline Committee, provided an oral report.

3.5 Executive

Dr. Marc Marin, Chair of the Executive Committee, provided an oral report.

Non-Statutory Committees

3.6 Quality Assurance

Dr. Sarah Thompson, Chair of the Quality Assurance Committee, provided an oral report.

3.7 Governance, Audit and Risk Committee

Mr. Murray Hunt, Chair of the Governance, Audit and Risk Committee, provided an oral report.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario accept the Accreditation, Registration, Complaints, Discipline, Executive, Quality Assurance and Governance, Audit and Risk Committees’ annual reports as presented.”

CARRIED

4. Audited Financial Statements

Ms. Donna Mehta of Cowperthwaite Mehta, Chartered Accountants presented the draft Audited Financial Statements for 2016-2017.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario receive the draft audited financial statements for 2016/2017, as presented.”

CARRIED

5. 2017 Annual Report of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario

The draft Annual Report was distributed at the meeting. The Report will be finalized and made available to all stakeholders including veterinarians.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Council of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario receive the draft 2017 Annual Report of the College of Veterinarians of Ontario as presented.”

CARRIED

6. President’s Remarks

Dr. Marc Marin addressed Council. He thanked Councillors and staff for their support during the past year.

7. Recognition

Dr. Marc Marin presented a certificate of recognition to Dr. Liz Saul and Dr. Sandy Rice who were departing as Council representatives for electoral district #10 and #12.

Dr. Marin also recognized Dr. Suminder Sawhney and Dr. Larry Caven, departing Council representatives for electoral district #9 and #8 as they were not present to receive their certificate.

Dr. Steven Jacobs presented outgoing President Dr. Marc Marin with a certificate and gift of recognition.

Adjournment

MOTION: It was moved and seconded,

“That the Annual Council Meeting be adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

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Marc Marin, DVM
President

Jan Robinson
Registrar and CEO

Beth Ready
Recording Secretary