

MINUTES OF THE ESVC AGM 2009 Porto, Portugal
Tuesday 8 th of September 2009
ECVIM-CA congress Alfandega Palace, D Maria Hall 12.50-13.50

Present: Virginia Luis Fuentes, Josefa Fernandez del Palacio, Michele Borgarelli, Nicole Van Israël, Jens Haggström, Oriol Domenech, Ralph Wendt, Katja Høglund, Anna Tidholm, Paul Motskula, Lisbeth Olsen, Paul Wotton, Dan Ohad, Markovic Mato, Jo Dukes McEwan, Anne French, Olaf Jöns, Isabelle Bublot, Esther Rawlinson, Yolanda Martinez Pereira, Mark Patterson, Mark Dirven, Braslasu Corneliu, Philip Fox, Andrea Vollmar, Tony Glaus, Jose Matos, Ingrid Ljungvall, Gerhard Wess, Robert Gerritsen, Kieran Borgeat, Matthias Schneider, Luca Ferasin, Chris Lombard, Claudio Bussadori.

Apologies: Lisette Overduin, Chris Amberger, Karsten Schober

1) Welcome by the president

2) Approval of the minutes of the last AGM in Ghent

- The minutes were published in the ECVIM Newsletter
No comments were received (NVI) and the minutes were approved by vote.

Membership numbers

- 196 members
 - 9 Honorary members
 - 187 paying members
 - another 10 applied but not registered yet
 - it was emphasized that some people were present at the AGM and/or pre-congress meeting without having paid their membership fee. In case of doubt the membership status can be checked on the website in the members directory.
 - It was also asked once again to pay membership on time (before March 31st)
- Honorary members
 - The proposal to nominate Chris Amberger as HM was unanimously voted. CA would only arrive on Thursday and will be congratulated at that time.

3) ESVC constitution registration update

- MB's personal accountant in Italy consulted a notary and together they analyzed the paper work sent by NVI in June and said that registration in Italy should be possible. Official legal Italian translations of all previous AGM's and other official documents are needed and the total expenses, including a Notary's fee, are estimated between 3000 and 5000 €. Approval was asked from the audience and unanimously accepted by vote. MB will have to be present personally to officialise all documents.

4) Financial matters:

- Balance closed in Dec 31 2008 (+23866.74 €), as well as the interim situation on August 14 2009: + 34263.55 €. The Society appears financially very healthy.
- N Van Israël has audited the books from 2007-mid 2008. No mistakes were found.
- The books of 2008 will be available at the CEVA Bordeaux meeting and Luca Ferasin and Katja Høglund volunteered to audit them.

5) Website and webmaster:

- Online subscription with CC payment from 2010 onwards: Paul Pion from VIN has agreed to set up a system where they deal with all CC payments and attach all personal data of the members to the payment. ESVC will then be paid on a three monthly basis by wire transfer.

- It was decided to make the website more attractive and informative.
- Future meetings to be held or parented should appear on the front page. The audience was asked to forward the information if they want local events to be published on the website.
- A 'Level of expertise' page will be created to inform the public better. NVI will contact individual members by e-mail with a request to forward the National guidelines and requirements applicable in their country.
 - Lisbeth Olsen volunteered for Denmark
 - Anne French volunteered for Ireland
 - Lisette Overduin for the Netherlands
 - Jens Haggstrom for Sweden
 - Andrea Vollmar refused for Germany but Matthias Schneider and Ralph Wendt volunteered
 - Virginia Luis Fuentes for USA
 - Luca Ferasin for the UK
 - Michele borgarelli for Italy
 - Josefa Fernandez del Palacio for Portugal and Spain
 - Nicole Van Israël for Belgium
 - Valerie Chetboul will be asked for France
 - Andersen for Norway
 - Richard Woolley for Australia

Available information from other non- mentioned countries was welcomed.

6) Changes in the board

- For 2011 the position of vice president and secretary becomes available. People interested in this position were asked to come forward before the next AGM.

7) JVC matters

- A power point presentation was sent by Dr. Sydney Moise. This presentation summarizes the situation of the Journal. The Journal of Veterinary Cardiology is progressing well. There are an increasing number of papers submitted. The journal is indexed on pubmed and we expected it will get indexed on ISI by 2011. Adrian Boswood is now one of the editors for the original paper section increasing the presence of the European cardiologists in the editorial board. The time from submission to first review has been decreased. The journal will be coming out with 4 issues from next year onwards (one will be a supplement).

In 2011 the Journal will have 4 regular issues a year. I would like to congratulate with Dr. Moise and Dr. Fox for their success and encourage everybody to submit papers to the journal that is the official journal of the ESVC.

8) Congress 2009 Porto

- The meeting was considered to be a success with 65 participants.
 - 35 registered as members but 11 are not. It was asked to regularize the situation by paying their membership fee. The names are known and these people will be contacted by NVI
 - 30 people paid the full fee
- Unfortunately 99 registered (34 did not show up). To avoid these financial losses in the future a small contribution towards payment of the lunch will be asked.
- The balance was positive thanks to generous sponsorship of Novartis
- The local organizing committee and JFdP were thanked

9) WSAVA

- The membership application has been approved. The reason for the application was the desire of the organization to organize a pre-congress meeting in Geneva.
- Chris Lombard has offered to represent the Society (at no extra expenses) at the WSAVA annual AGM during the 2010 and 2011 meeting (Geneva and Korea respectively) since he will be present for other commitments.

10) Geneva meeting

- A Pre-WSAVA meeting in Geneva on June the 2nd 2010 is planned.

11) Future meetings

- Torino arrhythmia meeting 28/29 November 2009
- Naples International meeting on Canine and Feline Cardiovascular diseases on the 10th of December 2009
- A Pre-WSAVA meeting in Geneva on June the 2nd 2010 is planned.
- ECVIM congress in Toulouse 9/10/11 September 2010

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The meeting was closed and adjourned.