

Minutes ESVC AGM
Friday 11th September 2015: 13.20 – 14.00
Lisbon, Portugal

1. Present and apologies for absence:

PRESENT: M. Baron Toaldo, M. Borgarelli, F. Chiren, S. Crosara, O. Domeneck, J. Dukes-McEwan, T. Falk, A. French, A. Gladuli, K. Höglund, J. Häggström, N. Hildebrandt, H. Hodgkiss-Geere, S. Jeune, I. Ljungvall, V. Luis-Fuentes, P. Motskula, J. Novo Matos, D. Ohad, P. Oliveira, L. Olsen, N. Pereira, J. Prieto-Ramos, S. Riesen, S. Schiller, D. Sewell, H. Stephenson, J. Silva, N. Summerfield, A. Tidholm, N. Van Israël, M. Villeuse-Kavak, T. Wagner.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: K. Schober, L. and H. Ferasin.

2. Approval of the minutes of the 2014 meeting

No comments were received. Minutes were approved by all members.

3. Membership numbers (A. French)

Decrease in membership numbers. 319 members and 9 honorary members, total membership 328, previous total 383.

No change in membership fee in the coming year.

4. Pre-congress meeting (A. French)

The finances of the pre congress meeting were presented. Total income 16,670 Euro, total expenditure 14,404.04 Euro, net balance 2355.12 Euro.

5. Financial matters (K.Höglund)

KH presented income and expenditure for 2013-2015. The closing balance for 2013 was 54,279.43 Euro. The 2013 accounts have been audited by Anna Tidholm and Maria Wiberg. The closing balance for 2014 was 22,847.32. This balance is low because membership fees are in the VIN account and have not been transferred. The same auditors were proposed and have agreed to audit the 2014 accounts. The preliminary balance for 2014 was approved. Provisional end of year accounts for 2015 would be in the region of 50,000 Euro once membership fees have been received from VIN. There was a double payment of Elsevier by ESVC and VIN in 2015, this has now been corrected with reimbursement by Elsevier. The majority of members now pay by PayPal with only 3 members paying by IBAN transfer. The current balance in the VIN account is 53,312 Euro. Some of this money will be transferred to the foundation account at Purdue University to pay for JVC editorial board expenses (approx. 10,000 Dollars). The majority of the remainder of the VIN balance will be transferred to the ESVC account. The members voted and approved the surplus to be kept in ESVC account (buffer). Plan not to increase membership fees for 2016.

6. Update of JVC (M. Borgarelli)

JVC is doing very well. It now has an impact factor of 1.3 which is the same as JAVMA and AJVR. The new special feline issue may result in a further increase in the impact factor. There has been a delay in reviewing papers due to high number of papers submitted and lack of reviewers. 100 papers were submitted for review last year which is one third the number of papers submitted to JVIM in the same time period. ESVC members and ECVIM diplomates were invited to apply to join the board of reviewers. There was some discussion about encouraging suitable third year residents to act as reviewers. The JVC will have 5 issues in 2016 and 6 issues in 2017. The JVC is now endorsed by ACVIM.

Elsevier now has a green open access policy. All papers are open access after 12 months. The word file can be uploaded to the University websites immediately. Dan Hogan is the editor in chief. There are two new associate editors Brian Scansen and Ashley Saunders.

Remember that JVC can accept video and multimedia content. New guidelines for authors will be applied from Jan 2016.

7. Website

The lay-out was changed thanks to VIN. Nothing else to report.

8. Board member changes

AF is stepping down as secretary and was thanked for her work for ESVC. Serena Crosara was proposed and accepted as a new secretary following a vote by the members.

9. ECVIM update

No significant information to report.

10. Prizes

Prizes will be given as in previous years. The result will be announced after the meeting and the winners will be contacted.

11. Task forces/working groups update

Echolab: In progress

DCM in Dobermanns: In progress

CKCS DMVD screening: In progress

12. Congress programme 8-10 September 2016

Topic will be Feline cardiomyopathy

13. Pre-congress day 7th September 2016

Topic will be Syncope

14. Next meeting

9th September 2016, Swedish Exhibition and Congress Centre, Gothenborg, Sweden

Anne French 14th September 2015

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