

# ESVC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ECVIM Congress 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2023

CCIB, Barcelona

## Minutes

### 1. Present and apologies for absence:

Cimerman M., Lee J, Wiedemann N, Hertzsch S, May C, Schreiber N, Sarcinella F, Hamilton Elliott JH, Wurtiger G, Henrich E, Schafer S, Zreit P, Marshall J, Dukes McEwann J, Hodgkiss-Geere H, Jonker R, Granstrom S, Belachsen O, Freet V, Andersen CAS, Dargyte E, Bodegard Wesley A, Svensson M, Ferasin L, Motskula P, Silva J, Ljungvall I, Krinstrom K, Ohad D, Fraga Veloso G, Santarelli G, Pereira N, Ivasovic F, Baron Toaldo M, Novo Matos J, Loureiro J, Martinez Pereira Y, Beyerirh N, Melis C, Gladuli A, Dirven M, Van Meeuwen H, Bjerknaes M, Villemson-Kavak M, Luis Fuentes V, French A, Den Toom M, Boumans T, Wess G, Kostiuk E., Crosara S, Swift S, Olsen L, Hogleund K, Schneider M, Domanjko Petric A.

Apologies for absence: Van Israel N., Wotton P

### 2. Approval of agenda

Agenda was unanimously approved

### 3. Approval of the minutes of the 2022 meeting

Minutes were unanimously approved

### 4. Secretary reports (SC)

There are 453 members in 2023 which has decreased slightly from 491 in 2022. Germany has overtaken the UK as the most represented country. There are several new countries represented including Mexico, South Africa and Peru.

### 5. Financial matters (KH)

2022 had increased debits as the JVC board meeting was in person; 2022 closed with a balance of 96.760,59 Euro. 2023 has a preliminary balance of 116.814,85 Euro.

The Financial report was accepted by the members.

### 6. Update of JVC (MB)

EIC: Fonfara S, Borgarelli M

Editorial board: Abbott J., Bonagura J, Borgarelli M, Dirven M, Fonfara S, Fox P, Lopez Alvarez J, Olsen L, Menciotti G, Van Loom G, Orton C, O'Sullivan L, Oliveira P, Pariaut R, Scansen B, Tidholm A, Wesselowski S.

Number of submitted papers in 2022 (by April) is 55 that is on track with previous years. The majority of rejected papers are desk rejected. Impact factor: 1,75. Cite score: 2,4.

Online access continues to grow with 212,310 article downloads in 2022.

The young investigators awards are:

#### Original Study

Pires A, Raheb S, Monteith G, Colpitts ME, Chong A, O'Sullivan ML, Fonfara S. Heart rate distribution in dogs with third degree atrioventricular block and rate responsive pacemakers. J Vet Cardiol 2022, 43:70-80

#### Case report:

Chi IB, Scansen BA, Potter BM, Pierce KV, Gagnon AL, Sloan CQ. Transcatheter closure of aneurysmal perimembranous ventricular septal defect with the canine duct occluder in two dogs. J Vet Cardiol 2022, 43:61-69.

Open access fee 1700 USD (ESVC, ACVIM, ECVIM)

There will be a special issue on advanced diagnostic imaging, the Editor for this issue is Brian Scansen.

More reviewers are needed for the journal. All the members are invited.

### 7. Board members election (SS)

Secretary: Liva Vatne (elected unanimously)

Officer ESVC: Fabio Sarcinella (elected unanimously)

Mark Dirven has moved to take over as treasurer

The board and the ESVC members thanked Katja Hoglund for her contribution to the society as treasurer for many years.

The Constitution was amended to reflect the fact that we have separate secretary and treasurer roles on the board due to increased workload.

### 8. ECVIM congress (ADP)

The program for next ECVIM congress (Lyon 5-7 September 2024) is being planned and suggestions for topics are welcome. There will not be a pre Congress meeting in 2024.

### 9. ESVC Research grant 2023 (SS)

There was one applicant for the ESVC research grant 2023. The scientific committee is evaluating the proposals and the results will be available soon.

**10. Announcement of prizes for best resident/young investigator abstract/oral presentations 2022 (SS)**

- 1st ORAL: Stefano Battaia “Atrial depolarization waves localization and characterization on surface electrocardiogram in dogs with fast supraventricular tachycardias”.
- 2nd ORAL: Giovanni Grosso “Echocardiographic reference intervals for right pulmonary artery dimension and distensibility index: a prospective study in 269 healthy dogs”.
- 1st POSTER: Valentina Patata “Normalized left atrial diameter in healthy and cardiomyopathic cats”.

**11. Task force progression (LHO)**

ESVC screening of myxomatous mitral valve disease in dogs – in progress with a draft manuscript due in October

**12. Proposals from the board:**

These are similar to last year and the membership fee will not be increased.

**A. The ESVC abstract and poster prizes: Increased in amount and number:**

1st Prize oral presentation 1000 euro + BSAVA book 2nd Prize oral presentation 800 euro

3rd Prize presentation 500 euro

1st Prize poster presentation 500 euro + BSAVA book 2nd Prize poster presentation 300 euro

3rd Prize poster presentation 150 euro

**B. The ESVC Clinical Research Fund**

The amount is increased from 20.000 to 30.000 euro

The grant can be divided between two applicants, and the period is prolonged from up to 1 to up to 2 years

**C. Precongress participation:**

Free for PhD students and residents if they are members of ESVC

Honorary members:

There are currently 9 honorary members. Dr Michele Borgarelli and Dr Jens Haggstrom were proposed as new honorary members by the board for their many years of service to the board and reputations. They were unanimously accepted by the membership.

**1. Any other business:**

Dr Ferasin asked the notification of the pre Congress meeting be made earlier to members. The board agreed.

S. Crosara  
ESVC Secretary