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Minutes from the 2017 ASVCP Business Meeting

ACVP/ASVCP Annual Meeting, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
ASVCP Business Meeting November 5, 2017, 4:30 p.m. CDT Minutes

Executive Board (EB) Members in attendance: President Lindsay Tomlinson, Past President Shelley Burton, President-Elect Kurt Zimmerman, Treasurer Sarah Beatty, Secretary Mark Johnson, EB member Amy MacNeill, EB member Sharon Dial, ACVP Council representative Kirstin Barnhart, incoming President-Elect Julie Webb, incoming EB member Laura Snyder, incoming Secretary-Elect Melinda Camus.

1) Call to Order: Lindsay Tomlinson, ASVCP President, called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees. Lindsay called for a motion to approve the minutes from the 2016 ASVCP annual business meeting in New Orleans. Laura Snyder motioned to approved the minutes. Sharon Dial seconded the motion and all voted aye. Lindsay thanked the sponsors for the annual meeting.

2) Treasurer’s Report: Sarah Beatty, ASVCP Treasurer, presented the current assets, operating costs and investments of the Society. She indicated that our investments did well this year and our expenses stayed relatively flat. Some fluctuations were seen in some categories but not all of the expense items have been incurred yet in the budget for this year. Sarah reported that the expenses for the journal are flat but there have been some increases for the new Society website and management fees. She indicated that Society investment distributions have changed from past allocations and hopefully the trend will be to show more growth in these funds in the future. Sarah reported that it was recommended by our financial advisor to keep 1.5 years of operating expenses in our cash reserve. She indicated that our net income was approximately $4000 for this year and our goal is to maintain a balanced budget. Lastly, Sarah indicated that some new initiatives have been started that will be useful for our Society and that the Share the Future Committee is working on starting other fundraising endeavors in the near future. She thanked members of The Rees Group (TRG) for all of their help with the budget.

3) European Society for Veterinary Clinical Pathology (ESVCP) & European College of Veterinary Clinical Pathology (ECVCP) Report: Lindsay Tomlinson greeted members on behalf of the ECVCP, as Past President Cathy Trumel and Vice President Ernst Leidinger were unable to attend. She also stated that Peter Graham, President of the ESVCP, could not attend the conference but extends his greetings to everyone. Lindsay indicated that she had the opportunity to attend the ESVCP Congress in London this year and it was a great experience. She noted that ASVCP members can attend the annual ESVCP Congress at the same registration rate as ESVCP members and vice versa, that ECVCP members can attend the ASVCP/ACVP annual meeting at the same registration rate as ASVCP members. Lindsay indicated that the 2018 ESVCP Congress will be in Greece.

4) Introduction of Editor-in-Chief (EIC) and Veterinary Clinical Pathology Journal (VCP) Report: Lindsay Tomlinson gave the EIC report for Barbara von Beust, as Barbara was unable to attend the conference this year. Lindsay thanked Barbara for her service, complimented her for her dedication and hard work as EIC for the journal and asked everyone to give a round of applause to Barbara for her contributions. Lindsay recognized the journal section editors and editorial board and thanked them for their service. She thanked the following individuals from Wiley: Managing Editor Laura Brashear, Associate Editor Meredith Krebs-Smith, acting Associate Editor Julianne Hopkins, and Production Editor Jackie Beggins. Lindsay highlighted some of the new features and changes for the journal this year to include online only publishing, a free virtual issue of toxicological clinical pathology and the institution of an informed client consent for manuscripts that utilized samples from client-owned animals. She indicated there was a 6% increase in the number of manuscript downloads compared to last year and that the journal application (app) for phones and other devices has been very popular. Lindsay indicated that the information regarding the journal impact factor is printed in the business meeting book. She welcomed our new EIC, Wendy Sprague, and gave brief overview of Wendy’s experiences. She indicated that Wendy is excited to be working with everyone and is eager to build relationships and further strengthen our journal.

5) Committee and Online Rounds Reports: Lindsay Tomlinson indicated that we will be giving the committee reports differently this year, as she will highlight each committee, committee members and committee chair to illustrate their significant accomplishments.

Lindsay thanked all members of the Program Committee and committee chair, Laura Snyder. She indicated that the Education Symposium for this year was already a success. The committee had sent a successful survey about future Education Symposia, which will be used to make changes for future symposia. Lindsay also indicated that name for the Education Symposium will be changing in the future to avoid confusion with the Education Forum that is sponsored by the Education Committee. She indicated that the incoming chair for the committee will be Tina Meichner.

Lindsay highlighted the ASVCP/ESVCP Online Rounds and indicated that there are generally over 100 attendees for each session. She commended Sharon Dial on her great job of organizing these rounds and indicated that Sharon is always looking for additional presenters and moderators. Lindsay thanked all of the 2017 Online Rounds presenters and moderators and indicated that the cases were fantastic.

Lindsay thanked all members of the Web and Social Outreach Committee and indicated that this committee really has 2 distinct components despite being a single committee. She commended the overall chair of the committee, Jennifer Owen, but also wanted to recognize the Website Redesign subcommittee chair, Lotti Hollinger, for all of her amazing work on the website redesign project. She also thanked TRG member Ashley Alba for her help with the website redesign project. Lindsay indicated that the Social Outreach part of the committee will be hosting the Hollywood Squares event on Monday evening and they sponsored a booth and poster at the annual SAVMA symposium. She indicated that Website Redesign subcommittee has worked extremely hard on our new website, which will be composed of 2 distinct parts, a member management system (MMS) and a learning management system (LMS). Lindsay reported that both components of the website are progressing.
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well and hopefully will both go live soon. She briefly showed the latest homepage of the test version of the website and reviewed some of the features of both components of the website. She indicated that although there are two components of the new website it will have a single login for members.

Lindsay thanked all members of the Quality Assurance and Laboratory Standards Committee (QALS) and indicated that they had another busy year. She reported that they completed the Total Allowable Error Guidelines for hematology and they did a fantastic job in hosting the External Quality Assurance Proficiency Testing pre-meeting workshop this year. She thanked committee chair Melinda Camus for her leadership and indicated that Melinda will be stepping down as chair in order to become Secretary-Elect for the ASVCP this upcoming year. Lindsay reported that new committee chair will be Jennifer Cook.

Lindsay thanked all members of the Regulatory Affairs Committee (RAC) and acknowledged the great job performed by the committee and committee chair, Adam Aulbach. She indicated that the committee awarded 2 industry externship scholarships, one to Bridgette Wells of the University of Georgia and one to Meaghen Eren from Washington State University. Lindsay indicated that the committee was busy this year and notably published a paper titled, “Recommendations for Clinical Pathology Data Generation, Interpretation, and Reporting in Target Animal Safety Studies for Veterinary Drug Development”. She indicated they are working on several new projects for next year.

Lindsay thanked all members of the Veterinary Laboratory Professionals (VLP) committee and commended committee chair Nicole Rosen on the outstanding job that she has done this year. She reported that the committee had a liaison from the Program Committee to help plan the VLP sessions for the annual meeting this year. Lindsay thanked co-chair Trelor Faires for taking the lead and providing web content for the VLP on the new ASVCP website that is in development. She also acknowledged Nicole for initiating outreach to numerous veterinary laboratory professionals to try to increase the membership of the VLP committee and to get them involved in the ASVCP.

Lindsay thanked all members of the Share the Future Committee (STF) and acknowledged all of the excellent work that the committee and committee chair Laura Cregar has done. She indicated that Laura has already expanded the membership of the committee and the committee is working on starting some new initiatives. Lindsay indicated that one of these initiatives will be hosting a live auction during this year’s ASVCP reception. She indicated that the committee awarded 6 travel grant awards to Charalampos Attipa, Francisco de Oliveira Conrado, Cynthia Lucidi, Kellie Whipple, Samantha Evans, and Candice Chu, and 1 research grant to Megan Caudill.

Lindsay thanked all members of the Education Committee and acknowledged all of the hard work performed by the committee, committee chair Deanna Schaefer and co-chair Ashleigh Newman. She indicated that the Education Forum that was normally held on Saturday night will be held this year on Monday afternoon and encouraged everyone to attend. Lindsay indicated that the committee awarded 2 educational externships to Charalampos Attipa and Sandra Bulla and they awarded the 2017 Educator Award. Lindsay invited Deanna Schaefer to the podium to announce the recipient of this award.

6) 2017 ASVCP Educator Award: Deanna Schaefer, Education Committee chair, announced that the 2017 ASVCP Educator Award was awarded to Anne Barger from the University of Illinois. Deanna highlighted many of Anne’s accomplishments. These included being a member of the teaching faculty at the University of Illinois since 2002, being head of the Clinical Pathology section since 2003, developing pre-clinical and clinical courses in the curriculum, being commencement speaker and hooder at the veterinary student graduation, being the recipient of numerous student teaching awards, being a member and chair of the clinical pathology section of the ACVP Examination Committee, providing numerous CE courses and manuscripts, and being current President of the ACVP. Deanna presented the award to Anne who received a standing ovation. Anne graciously accepted the award and expressed thanks to everyone. She indicated that as clinical pathology is one of the richest specialties for excellent educators, she was humbled to receive the award and it is the greatest honor that she has received.

7) 2017 ASVCP Early Career Award: Shelley Burton, ASVCP Past President, presented the inaugural ASVCP Early Career Award to Erica Behling-Kelly. She indicated that the award is given to an ASVCP member early in their career who shows exceptional promise in research, teaching, diagnostic service or service to the Society. Shelley read some of the nominator comments about Erica which highlighted her productive research funding in lipid metabolism, her excellent acumen in diagnostic service, and her phenomenal teaching which included using Lord of the Rings analogies to help students comprehend challenging concepts. Shelley indicated that Erica also performs many services to the Society to include reviewing abstracts and serving on the editorial board for our journal. Shelley presented the award to Erica who received an ovation. Erica thanked everyone for the award.

8) Introduction of New Members: Lindsay Tomlinson welcomed the new ASVCP members and asked for an applause for them.

9) Introduction of ASVCP Officers: Lindsay Tomlinson introduced the new ASVCP officers: President-Elect Julie Webb, in-coming EB member Laura Snyder, and Secretary-Elect Melinda Camus. Lindsay administered the Oath of Office to the new members and welcomed them to the EB. Lindsay acknowledged all of the contributions that Past President Shelley Burton has provided to the Society and thanked her for all of her support and service.

10) Greeting from New President and Call for Adjournment: Lindsay Tomlinson welcomed incoming ASVCP President Kurt Zimmerman to the podium and passed the gavel to Kurt. He greeted members and thanked everyone for attending. He acknowledged and thanked Lindsay for her leadership and mentorship this past year. Kurt called for the meeting to be adjourned.
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AGENDA
2017 ASVCP ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

4:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.
November 5, 2017
Vancouver

4:30 p.m. Call to Order
Approval of the 2016 Business Meeting Minutes  Lindsay Tomlinson

4:40 p.m. Treasurer’s Report  Sarah Beatty

4:45 p.m. ESVCP & ECVCP Report
(Past President ECVCP)  Cathy Trumel

4:50 p.m. Introduce New Editor in Chief and Journal Report
(for Barbara von Beust)  Lindsay Tomlinson

4:55 p.m. Committee Reports
    " Program  Laura Snyder
    " Online Rounds  Sharon Dial
    " Outreach/Web  Jennifer Owen
    " Quality Assurance and Standards  Melinda Camus
    " Regulatory Affairs  Adam Aulbach
    " Veterinary Laboratory Professionals  Nicole Rosen
    " Share the Future/Recognize Grant Recipients  Laura Cregar
    " Education  Deanna Schaeffer

5:05 p.m. ASVCP Educator Award  Deanna Schaeffer

5:15 p.m. ASVCP Early Career Award  Shelley Burton

5:25 p.m. Introduce New Members  Lindsay Tomlinson

5:30 p.m. Induction of Officers  Lindsay Tomlinson/Susan Rees

5:40 p.m. Greetings from New President & Call for Adjournment  Kurt Zimmerman
2017-2018 Executive Board

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Awards and Awards Deadlines

ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award 2019
Deadline: June 1, 2019
Submit Information To: Past President

The ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award is to recognize members of the ASVCP who have contributed to the advancement of the field of veterinary clinical pathology through their research and teaching, and through their work on behalf of the American Society for Veterinary Clinical Pathology.

Nomination should include:
• At least three letters of support from ASVCP members
• A rationale as to why this particular member is worthy of this award
• The CV of the individual being nominated.

The Lifetime Achievement Award Committee, chaired by the Past President, will review nominations and the committee's recommendation will be presented to the ASVCP Executive Board. The ASVCP Executive Board will determine if the nominated ASVCP member is to receive the award by a majority vote. The ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award will be presented at the annual meeting.

ASVCP Educator Award 2019
Deadline: Nominations Due May 1, 2019
Submit Information To: Education Committee Chair

Contributions to education vary greatly to include standard classroom and clinical teaching that primarily takes place in veterinary schools, continuing education of practitioners and technical staff, formal and informal mentoring of students by pathologists in the private sector, committee service to ASVCP and ACVP including board examination preparation, creation of teaching materials such as books and computer programs, and publishing articles relevant to any stage of veterinary medical education. Unfortunately, formal recognition of these contributions is given almost exclusively to pathologists working in academia.

In order to encourage and reward a wider range of ASVCP members contributing to the education of future veterinarians and pathologists, the ASVCP Education Committee and the Executive Board would like to invite our membership to submit nominations for the ASVCP Education Award.

Letters of nomination should:
• Describe the nominee's contributions to the education of veterinary medical students, clinical pathology residents, veterinarians, and laboratory professionals.
• A brief description (one page or less) of the nominee's accomplishments
• Contact information for the nominee
• A list of 2-3 individuals that can provide additional letters of support

Share the Future Travel Award 2019
Deadline: Check www.asvcp.org for deadline information.
Submit Information To: ASVCP Administrative Office

Share the Future Travel Awards are intended to help offset travel costs for clinical pathology residents or graduate students who will be giving talks or poster presentations at the Annual Meeting. Five awards of $500 each will be awarded.

Share the Future Research Grant
Deadline: Check www.asvcp.org for deadline information.
Submit Information To: ASVCP Administrative Office

Share the Future research grants are intended to help support research by clinical pathology residents and graduate students. Grants will range from $1,000 to $2,500. In 2019, one research grant will be awarded. A complete application form can be found on the ASVCP website under “ASVCP Awards.”

Research proposal should include:
• Abstract (300 words or less)
• Specific Aims
• Background and Significance/Importance
• Research Design and Methods
• Approval for the use of live animals by an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (if applicable)

Young Investigator Award
Two awards will be given. One award will be given to the best oral presentation involving applied or translational research or case reviews that provide new knowledge in the field of veterinary clinical pathology. One award will be given to the best oral presentation involving basic research that provides new knowledge in the field of veterinary clinical pathology.

Nominations for the 2018 ASVCP Early Career Award
Deadline: Nominations due July 1, 2019
Submit Information To: Past President

The ASVCP Early Career Award honors an ASVCP member in the early stages of his or her career who shows exceptional promise in the discipline of veterinary clinical pathology through efforts in research, diagnostic service, teaching, and/or service to the Society. The award is restricted to an individual in the first six years of his or her career after completion of residency training or advanced degree completion, should this come after residency training. It will be presented at the annual meeting.

Any ASVCP member can nominate another ASVCP member. The nomination package consists of a nomination letter, the CV of the nominee, and three letters of support. Please send nominations to the current ASVCP Past President.
Lifetime Membership

Life membership is available to members who retire from their professional activities and have been a member in good standing, of the society for a minimum of 20 consecutive years. Life members will receive all the benefits of a paying member. To apply for life membership, please submit a letter of request to the ASVCP President and Secretary.

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Share The Future Donations—November 2017 - October 2018

- Adam Aulbach
- Kirstin Barnhart
- Laura Cregar
- Mark Johnson
- Amy MacNeill
- Fred Metzger
- Jennifer Owen
- Johanna Rigas
- Deanna Schaefer
- Albert Schultze
- Wendy Sprague
- Nora Springer
- Linda Vap
- Marlyn Whitney
- Kurt Zimmerman
Call for Officer Nominations: 2019 ASVCP Election

The Nominations Committee is seeking nominations for: President-Elect/President/Immediate Past-President Track. Brief overviews of the major duties associated with each position are provided below. For additional information or to make a nomination, please contact Kurt Zimmerman, 2018-2019 Immediate Past President of the ASVCP.

**PRESIDENT-ELECT/PRESIDENT/IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT TRACK:**
- Serve a 3-year term:
  - 1st year – President-Elect
  - 2nd year – President
  - 3rd year – Immediate Past President

- Major Duties of the President-Elect:
  - Attend the Executive Board meetings held in conjunction with the annual meeting.
  - Participate in monthly telephone conferences
  - Participate in e-mail discussions of important issues
  - Serve as Chair of the sub-committee that establishes the curriculum for the Focused Scientific Sessions at the annual meeting

- Major Duties of the President
  - Serve as Chairman of the Executive Board
  - Preside at all meetings (includes teleconferences, electronic mail discussions, Executive Board meetings, the Annual Business Meeting, etc); in conjunction with The Rees Group set agendas for the meetings
  - Appoint all committee Chairs, and, in conjunction with the committee liaisons of the Executive Board, oversee all committee functions and communications
  - Interface with the ASVCP liaison of the ACVP
  - Review the ASVCP Newsletter and prepare a President’s Message for each issue
  - Serve as the primary interface with The Rees Management Group

- Major Duties of the Immediate Past President
  - Facilitate transition of office to the new President
  - Increase positive recognition of the society via writing letters of thanks and (in conjunction with The Rees Group) press releases
  - Serve as Chair of the Nominating Committee for open Executive Board positions
  - Coordinate the ASVCP Young Investigators Award competition
  - Attend the Executive Board meeting in conjunction with the annual meeting
  - Participate in monthly telephone conferences
  - Participate in email discussions of important issues

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER:**
- Serve a 3-year term.
- Attend the Executive Board meeting held in conjunction with the annual meeting.
- Participate in monthly telephone conferences.
- Participate in e-mail discussions of important issues.
- Serve as liaison to standing committees.
- Assist in the coordination of the ASVCP slide and chemistry review sessions at the annual meeting.
- Assist in developing the ASVCP continuing education curriculum for the annual ACVIM Forum.

**TREASURER-ELECT/TREASURER:**
- Serve a 4-year term
- Develop the annual budget
- Manage investment accounts
- Coordinate committee budgets with Committee Chairs
- Review the findings of external audits
- Work with the management company to monitor accounts receivable and accounts payable and produce monthly financial statements.
2018 Diplомates

Certified in Veterinary Clinical Pathology–2018

Julie Allen
Raleigh, NC United States

Angela Gwynn
Falcon Heights, MN United States

Alexandra Myers
College Station, TX United States

Charalampos Attipa
Hatfield, Hertfordshire United Kingdom

Daniela Hernandez Muguiro
Ithaca, NY United States

Andrea Pires dos Santos
West Lafayette, IN United States

Jonathan Bagwell
Plano, TX United States

Rachael Holicky
Bothell, WA United States

Michael Rosser
Urbana, IL United States

Justin Breitbach
Columbus, OH United States

Jeremie Korchia
Kalamazoo, MI United States

Noa Safra
Davis, CA United States

Stacy Clothier
Blacksburg, VA United States

Christopher Lanier
Auburn University, AL United States

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Exeter, Devon United Kingdom

Karine Craig
Waterloo, ON Canada

Kelsey Legendre
Baton Rouge, LA United States

Pedro Serra
Exeter, Devon United Kingdom

Déborah Culang
Saint Hyacinthe, QC Canada

Ashley Leisering
Hanover Park, IL United States

Lisa Viesselmann
Knoxville, TN United States

Francisco de Oliveira Conrado
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Caitlyn Martinez
Ault, CO United States

Dania Villarnovo
Ithaca, NY United States

Meaghan Eren
Pullman, WA United States

Margaret McCourt
Stillwater, OK United States

Bridgette Wells
Dacula, GA United States

Lindis Fouracre
Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire United Kingdom

Mark Morton
Manhattan, KS United States

Nina Zitzer
Hilliard, OH United States

William Gow
Dover Gardens, South Australia Australia

Courtney Moser
Columbia, MO United States

Dual Certified in Veterinary Anatomic & Clinical Pathology–2018

Mark Schrenzel
Alexandria, VA United States

Jennifer Scruggs
Rockville, MD United States
ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award 2018 Recipient: Dr. Steven L. Stockham

Dr. Steven L. Stockham received his Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degrees from Kansas State University in 1970 and 1972. He received his Master of Science in pathology from Michigan State University and became a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Pathology in 1980. He served in the United States Air Force (1972–1974) and was in clinical practice in Idaho and Utah (1974–1977). He completed a veterinary pathology residency at Michigan State University (1977–1980). His academic career included 21 years at the University of Missouri (1981–2001) and 15 years at Kansas State University (2001–2016) as a professor of veterinary clinical pathology. At K-State, he led a successful clinical pathology residency program from which 11 veterinarians became Diplomates of the ACVP. He coordinated the provost-sponsored KSU Wakonse Program from 2002–2013 in which 87 KSU faculty attended the Wakonse Conference on College Teaching. He has numerous clinical and research-related publications and is a coauthor of a highly respected textbook – Fundamentals of Veterinary Clinical Pathology.

Steve has been a dedicated member of ASVCP since 1978; has served on many committees and has acted as the society’s historian. He is an Honorary Member of the European College of Veterinary Clinical Pathology and was inducted into the Hall of Fame of the European Society of Veterinary Clinical Pathology in 2013.

Dr. Stockham’s legacy is being a passionate motivating teacher, mentor, and leader to thousands of veterinary and graduate students, residents, faculty, and staff. During his instructional career, he received 29 teaching awards such as the prestigious Norden/Pfizer/Zoetis Distinguished Teacher Award (1997, 1998, 2012, 2016), the Bayer Animal Health Teaching Excellence Award (2005, 2009, 2013), the William T. Kemper Fellowship for Excellence in Teaching (1994), Educator Award of the American Society for Veterinary Clinical Pathology (2015), and the AAVMC Distinguished Teaching Award in Academic Veterinary Medicine (2016).

He challenges everyone he interacts with to think beyond, question the status quo, and to hold high standards not only to the profession but in life’s activities as well. I am so honored and thankful to have had his mentorship as a student and faculty member. These experiences will always be with us.

Melinda J. Wilkerson, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVP

Steve Stockham is the Kansas bulldog. Why should I call him a bulldog which is a genetically deformed breed that cannot breathe normally or give birth naturally? Bulldogs were bred to have massive jaws that bit firmly to a bull or another dog and the bulldog did not give up that grip until that other animal was finished. Steve has the ability to bite fast to a task and not let go until the task is accomplished with excellence. Back in the late 70’s we came in to work one morning and the microscope had a sign on it “Do not move this field.” Steve was so certain the dog had Ehrlichia canis that he spent 3-4 hours the previous evening to find a single morula in the blood smear. Then he showed it to all of us in the lab. Steve worked often late into the evenings and I learned his trick of adding a little fresh coffee to the previously used coffee grounds to make one more pot of coffee. When one listens to a lecture from Steve on comparing anion gap to strong ion difference in interpretation of acid base data or how to formulate “best choice” questions it is clear that the background material was well studied, understood and an undisputable argument was given.

Many have lectured on similar topics but never came close to the well-organized, step-for-step presentation of evidence to prove Steve’s conclusions at the end of the talk. Steve has a well-organized collection of pdf files of all of the major articles written on veterinary clinical pathology. The abundance of that material is felt in his and Mike Scott’s book Fundamentals of Veterinary Clinical Pathology. Those are only a few examples of how Steve has taken on an assignment and did not give up until the task was completed better than anyone else could have done. It has been a great pleasure to watch how Steve has accomplished task after task with excellence over the last 41 years.

Harold Tvedten, DVM, PhD DACVP DECVP

Over the years, many of Steve’s comments and questions have been educational for me by making me think and challenge what I know. I’m sure many others have had the same experience when interacting with Steve, and we’re all better for it. Steve’s professional activities and numerous teaching awards clearly show that he’s been first and foremost a teacher – a teacher of veterinary students, residents, graduate students, colleagues, and practicing veterinarians alike. He’s done this through his classroom instruction, diagnostic and research mentoring, presentations, publications, and authorship of a clinical pathology textbook. So many teaching awards! So many lives touched! Why did he do all this?

Because he cared about doing his job the best he could. He cared about the students learning the best they could. He cared about having a positive impact on his students’ careers and he cared about the accuracy of the clinical pathology information he and others disseminated. All his hard work was for others, not for him. Steve has been a long-time champion of students of veterinary clinical pathology everywhere, and he is himself a life-long student of the discipline, even in retirement. His humility, his comfort in acknowledging what he doesn’t know, and his effort to communicate precisely and accurately without overstating what we truly know, permeate all he’s done.

Michael Scott, DVM, PhD, DACVP
ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award 2018 Recipient: Dr. Steven L. Stockham - continued

I have known Dr. Stockham as a major force in veterinary professional education, as well as in clinical pathology, only growing in his determination to improve his own teaching as well as helping others to improve our teaching practice whether we were new or experienced. He was persistent in his ability to challenge long-held assumptions, while continually growing in competence and mentoring us all, but remaining humble. Throughout the years, we have collaborated on research projects focusing on improving the practice of teaching and learning in veterinary clinical pathology.

Holly S. Bender, DVM, PhD, DACVP

When I joined the clinical pathology residency program at K-State, I was very excited about the opportunity to work with Dr. Stockham; I knew he was an internationally recognized authority in the veterinary clinical pathology field. I quickly learned that there was much more to Dr. Stockham than his scientific reputation. I learned that he was a great teacher, an exceptional clinical pathologist, and truly a wonderful mentor. In a career filled with accomplishments, Dr. Stockham can be known for one that I believe he enjoys the most: mentoring residents and graduate students. He is everything that a good mentor should be and more. Dr. Stockham is a great mentor for not only his past and present residents but also many other clinical pathologists. He masters the art of “clinical pathology mentoring” to a degree that is very rare. It is a great honor for me knowing him and working under his supervision and guidance during my residency at K-State.

Mehrdad Ameri, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVP

I think there are not enough words to explain how significant, endless, and exceptional Dr. Stockham’s contribution is. There is no one who deserves this award more than Dr. Stockham does. He was a true mentor in a way that made me a better clinical pathologist, and I am thankful to Dr. Stockham. I follow his education, keep in mind his beliefs, ways, knowledge, and statements, and use those every day when making decisions in my profession.

Adi Wasserkrug Naor, DVM, DACVP

I cannot imagine a more deserving recipient for this award. He is an exceptional man, mentor, educator, and clinical pathologist who inspires everyone around him, including pathologists, veterinarians, technicians, residents, interns, and students, to be the best they can be. Despite his countless achievements, he will continue to be an inspiration and guiding influence in veterinary clinical pathology.

Mandy Meindel, DVM, MS, DACVP

Dr. Stockham taught me how to be a great clinical pathologist too, in being always so precise and accurate. I still remember his jokes on terminology he never agreed with, and I still have his words popping into my mind from time to time. He guided me step by step since my first year of my residency to also be able to perform research projects and present them to the ACVP meeting. As a foreigner with English as a second language, that was a challenge, but he persisted constantly.

Roberta Di Terrilizi, DVM, DACVP

Clearly, he is an outstanding professional, mentor, teacher, and colleague, but above all he is an outstanding leader. He is a leader of those of us in the profession and a leader for the profession itself. There are few who have achieved as much as he has in their chosen discipline. Dr. Stockham has been a model, and indeed an inspiration, in his service to the profession and education.

Bradley Galgut, BVSc (Hons), DACVP

Beyond Steve's outstanding and natural ability as an exceptional educator both for students, residents, veterinarians, and being a uniquely talented diagnostician and impeccable character when it comes to research questions, he is also a man with a solid core foundation, morals and ethics, that can always be trusted and relied upon.

Balázs Szladovits, DVM, MRCVS, FHEA, DACVP

The list of examples of Dr. Stockham's commitment to excellence in veterinary clinical pathology and teaching goes on and on. I know that those of us who were lucky enough to learn from him will continue to pass on what we have learned, to veterinary students and veterinary practitioners alike. Dr. Stockham's influence will carry on, beyond his retirement. That is quite the lifetime achievement!

Rachael Holicky, DVM, DACVP, Clinical Pathologist
ASVCP Early Career Award Recipient: Dr. Laureen Peters

Nominated by: Alexandra Penrose, MSc, BVSc, MRCVS, DACVP

The ASVCP Early Career Award was inaugurated in 2016 with the first presentation planned for 2017. It honors ASVCP members in the early stages of their careers who show exceptional promise in the discipline of veterinary clinical pathology through efforts in research, diagnostic service, teaching, and/or service to the Society. The award is restricted to individuals in the first six years of their careers after completion of residency training or advanced degree completion, should this come after residency training. This year, the award again is given to one Society member who shows exceptional promise in the discipline of veterinary clinical pathology: Dr. Laureen Peters.

Laureen joined the Royal Veterinary College (RVC) in 2012, whereupon she became a member of the ASVCP and started her residency in veterinary clinical pathology. Laureen completed her residency and gained her ACVP boards qualification in 2015, and has since been working at the RVC as a lecturer in veterinary clinical pathology. During her time at the RVC, Laureen has contributed greatly to all aspects of clinical pathology, including teaching, research, and diagnostics.

Laureen has a passion for teaching and has undertaken the shared responsibility of designing the core pathology rotation for final year veterinary undergraduates, as well as being the sole organiser of pathology “tracking” rotations (an additional pathology rotation for final years wishing to gain further experience in both anatomical and clinical pathology). This has been a huge undertaking, with recent, multiple changes having been made to the overall final year rotation layout, which have greatly impacted both tracking and core pathology rotations. Such has been the success of the final year core pathology rotation that it has now been extended by an extra week, in response to overwhelming demand from the final year students who find the teaching both interesting and useful. Laureen is currently in the process of, once again, redesigning the clinical pathology aspect of this rotation to accommodate this change. In addition to final year rotations, Laureen’s work with undergraduate students includes the provision of both lectures and practical sessions for those studying Veterinary Medicine, Bioveterinary Science, Veterinary Nursing, and Comparative Pathology.

With regard to the postgraduate training programmes at the RVC, Laureen has been a course leader for many modules of our MVetMed (master’s) course (a course which all residents at the RVC must undertake), including General Pathology (in preparation for phase I ACVP exams), CSF Cytology Rounds (for both neurology and clinical pathology residents), Clinical Pathology Rounds and Critical Literature Review in Clinical Pathology. She is also involved in the practical training of residents in clinical pathology, including biochemistry interpretation, haematology, and cytology (in preparation for Phase II ASVCP exams). Additionally, Laureen is an examiner for master research projects on the MVetMed and MSci Wild Animal Biology programmes. Laureen’s teaching work also goes beyond university students to include running continued professional development courses in clinical pathology for qualified vets, and presenting at conferences, to include two case report presentations at the ACVP/ASVCP annual meetings.

Diagnostic work at the RVC involves analysing samples (haematology, cytology, bone marrow core biopsies, and biochemistry) from our on-site referral hospitals, as well as from first opinion practices outside the RVC. The RVC Diagnostic Laboratories also receives samples from a wide array of species thanks to our close relationship with a number of zoos from across the UK, as well as with multiple research facilities, including various universities. Laureen has enhanced the diagnostic work at the RVC by both instigating and partaking in many clinical rounds (including small animal surgery, small animal medicine, oncology, and equine medicine), drawing together various departments and helping us to maintain a close working relationship with the clinicians.

Laureen’s commitment to research within the clinical pathology field started even before she came to the RVC. In 2012 she completed her postgraduate dissertation on the genomics of equine cytochromes, which resulted in two publications. Since then, Laureen has been an author of multiple publications in well-known journals (one of which is currently in progress), and has supervised a number of undergraduate research projects. Her most notable work has been on bile cytology, an area that previously had been little explored and researched by clinical pathologists.
ASVCP Educator Award Recipient: Dr. Tracy Stokol

Submitted by: ASVCP Education Committee

The ASVCP Education Committee is pleased to announce Dr. Tracy Stokol from Cornell University as the recipient of the 2018 ASVCP Educator Award. Dr. Stokol has a tireless commitment to veterinary clinical pathology education at the veterinary student and resident levels, and beyond. Her list of educational accomplishments is extensive, including creating and leading the clinical pathology course for Cornell veterinary students, mentoring students for summer research programs, re-establishing the Cornell residency program, and working to provide training in clinical pathology for veterinarians from developing countries. Probably her most widely recognized contribution to education is the eClinPath.com website. This popular site provides a wide range of content in veterinary clinical pathology at no cost to the users, inspired by her belief that education should be easily and widely accessible. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Stokol when she receives the award at the ASVCP Business Meeting in Washington, DC, this November!
President’s Report 2018

Submitted by: Kurt Zimmerman

The business year for the Executive Board (EB) has flown by with monthly webinar meetings, numerous e-mail discussions, phone calls and other meetings as required. EB activity highlights included:

1. Partnered with ACVP to act as ASVCP’s fiscal agent. Recent changes to the law require all non-profit organization to be registered in each state in which they wish to fundraise or accept contributions. Review of these requirements showed that they would be both time consuming and cost prohibitive for an organization of our size. As a solution to this challenge, ASVCP has partnered with ACVP to fundraise under the umbrella of their state registration. ASVCP is grateful to ACVP for their help in this endeavor.

2. Incorporated ASVCP as a legal entity. This year, ASVCP became legally recognized as a corporate entity registered in Wisconsin. Establishment of this legal status was a necessary step for our non-profit organization status and fundraising activities.

3. Replaced ASVCP’s list-server program. After failure of some of ASVCP hardware used to run our old list-server, the EB with the help of the Web Committee, identified and selected SimpleList as a replacement platform to help keep our membership connected.

4. Complied with new EU General Data Protection (GDP) regulations. The GDP law required updates and changes to how ASVCP manages and communities with its worldwide membership list. You probably notice the explicit email requests for allowing ASVCP to contact you and informed consent on how your personal data is handled.

5. Established new membership categories for 2019. Two new membership types have been created for 2019: Veterinary Medical and Undergraduate Students, and Individuals from Nations with GNI/Capita < $12,056. These new categories will help increase student and worldwide membership participation in our organization, vital for ASVCP’s continued growth and diversity.

6. Facilitated transition of our new Editor-in-Chief (EIC). With gratitude the EB gave it’s thanks to Barbara von Beust as she departed from her role as EIC of our journal and Wendy Sprague assumed the title. The EB has maintained open communications with the EIC this year and also provided the Section Editors with small stipends in recognition of their efforts.

7. Launched our redesigned website. In 2016, ASVCP began the process of redesigning and enhancing the ASVCP website. Completed in the summer of 2018, the new website creates an enhanced member experience and will provide a platform that encourages growth within the organization. Gratitude from us all to the Web Committee and Ashly Alba for their work on this.

8. Worked with ASVCP committees. Through the EB liaisons and direct conversations with Committee Chairs, the EB refined committee structures and charges. Some organization changes included transfer of Outreach Committee activities to the Education and Share the Future Committees. Mid-year, committee reports were received and webinars occurred with committee chairs, allowing them to inform the EB of activities and discuss any concerns.

9. Developed an organizational structure for ASVCP’s online materials. The EB has had ongoing discussions to streamline and standardize how various committee documents, reports, manuscripts and guidelines are made available to our membership on our website and that of our journal. These discussions are ongoing and continue to evolve.

10. Drafted a new model for sponsorship. The EB has outlined a new design model to acknowledge and encourage both personal and corporate sponsorship of ASVCP activities and CE events. These ideas are being reviewed by the relevant committees and will soon be unveiled.

11. Created a new operational budget. Working with our treasurer Sarah Beatty, the EB discussed increasing operational costs, ways to control future expenses and means to increase revenue. These discussions are always challenging and the EB thanks Sarah for her factual input and help in these talks.

12. Initiated resident liaison discussion. The idea of establishing a student liaison role with the EB is under discussion. Feasibility and logistics of this are being explored with the goal of giving trainees a means of providing direct input to the EB on matters of interest to them.

13. Proposed digital slide archive. The EB is currently reviewing a proposal related to the development of a digital slide repository. The goal of such a repository would be the creation of an ASVCP member/institutional resource to be used for resident training and CE. Details are still in development and will be advanced with input from relevant committees (education and web).

14. Proposed pre-meeting workshop reorganization. The pre-meeting workshop has historically been organized by ASVCP committees on a rotational basis. To provide increased institutional logistical memory, topic optimization and session uniformity, the EB is discussing a proposal to move oversight and responsibility of this event to the Past-President with assistance from EB and standing committees members on a rotational basis.

15. Miscellaneous. The EB engaged in numerous discussions and decisions; a few miscellaneous items not covered above will be noted here. They included: award selections, organizing structure for future Pre-Meeting Workshops, discussion of the proposed ACVP portal, and new member approval. The EB reviewed lifetime membership status applications and discussed the nomination of upcoming EB officers.
President’s Report 2018 - continued

Other activities performed specifically by the President included:

- Writing 4 President’s Messages and a Getting to Know your EB Member Message for the ASVCP newsletter.
- E-mail and phone conversations with EB members, committee chairs, the journal Editor-in-Chief, the ACVP Council liaison and other individuals as required.
- Working closely with The Rees Group on agenda preparation and other organizational aspects.
- Representing the ASVCP at the annual congress of the ESVCP - bringing official greetings, discussing items of mutual interest and offering appreciation for the stain financial support of online rounds.
- Continued updates to the ongoing EB task list.
- I would like to end with a thank you to the membership, the other EB members and The Rees Group staff, particularly Susan Rees and Ashley Alba. It has been a privilege to serve and I look forward to continuing my role on the EB for one more year as Immediate Past-President.
President-Elect’s Report 2018

Submitted by: Julie Webb

1) Chair of the Clinical Pathology Focused Scientific Session for the ACVP/ASVCP Annual Meeting in Washington, DC.
   • All clinical pathology abstracts were evaluated with the help of the review committee: Niraj Tripathi, Catherine Wagg, Michael Fry, Shawn Clark, Valerie Wong and Kathryn Wycislo
   • 16 oral presentations and 29 poster presentations were selected for the meeting
     - 7 of the oral presentations were competitors for the ASVCP Young Investigator Award
   • In addition, two invited speakers were recruited for the sessions
     - Erica Behling-Kelly, DVM, PhD, DACVP, Cornell University (Targeting the Complement Cascade to Dampen Autoimmune Disease in the Dog)
     - Robert Goggs, BVSc, PHD, DACVECC, DECVECC, Cornell University (NETs, cfDNA and Immunothrombosis: A Tangled Web?)

2) Liaison to Veterinary Laboratory Professionals Committee
   • Assisted committee chair (Nicole Rosen) with organization of the VLP sessions and pre-meeting workshop for Washington, DC

3) Liaison to Regulatory Affairs Committee
   • Participated in regular teleconference calls with committee chair (Adam Aulbach) and committee members

4) Member of the ASVCP Program Committee
   • Assisted committee chair (Tina Meichner) and other committee members with selection of speakers for 2018 ACVP/ASVCP meeting

4) Miscellaneous
   • Participated in monthly teleconference calls and projects with ASVCP Executive Board. Discussions and projects included recording and sponsorship of online rounds, committee reports and budgets, website management, digital slide archiving, fundraising and ACVP fiscal agent agreement, ASVCP pre-meeting workshop responsibility
   • Participated in discussions with Mary Christopher (Executive Director, International Society of Animal Clinical Pathology) and ACVP/ASVCP Program committee members to explore the possibility of a joint ISACP/ASVCP/ACVP meeting in 2020
Immediate Past President’s Report

Submitted by: Lindsay Tomlinson

The Executive Board (EB) was very busy this past year. In addition to assisting the President and participating in monthly webinar meetings, the Immediate Past President had these activities:

1. **Soliciting nominations for Executive Board Members and organizing the election process**
   A call for nominees was published in the December 2017 and March 2018 ASVCP electronic newsletters (News Blast). The Immediate Past President contacted potential candidates by phone and/or e-mail. Confirmed candidate profiles and photographs were then sent to the membership and voting commenced. The following were confirmed:
   
   President-Elect: Dr. Amy Warren
   Executive Board Member: Dr. Erica Behling-Kelly

2. **Coordination of the ASVCP Young Investigator Awards**
   A notice announcing the competition for the Young Investigator Awards was placed in the June 2018 News Blast electronic newsletter. The Immediate Past-President is in charge of recruiting colleagues to form a committee who will judge competitors during the annual meeting. They will use standard criteria and scoring sheets to select two recipients based on oral presentation excellence.

3. **Lifetime Achievement Award & Early Career Award**
   A call for nominations for the 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award and Early Career Award was published in the March News Blast and in an email to membership; the Immediate Past-President responded to any queries related to the awards. Nominations were received and the Immediate Past-President orchestrated discussion and appropriate decision making. The recipients and nominators were sent official letters of award status. Dr. Steven Stockham was selected as the 2018 ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award recipient and Dr. Laureen Peters as the recipient of the ASVCP Early Career Award.

4. **Proposal for Student Liaisons to Executive Board**
   After an Executive Board discussion, the Immediate Past-President created an initial proposal on how to incorporate student/residents into Executive Board activities.

Other activities performed by the Immediate Past-President included writing a State of the Society newsletter article and reviewing and contributing to several documents, including the Fiscal Agreement with ACVP. The Immediate Past-President will be acting as the auctioneer in the ASVCP auction at the annual meeting.

The journey on the President track in the ASVCP Executive Board has been challenging and extremely rewarding. It has been a pleasure to work with fellow ASVCP members, the other Executive Board members and The Rees Group. Susan Rees and Ashley Alba have provided consistent and invaluable input and assistance during my term. My learnings have been substantial and my growth unexpected. I leave the Executive Board in strong and capable hands.
Secretary’s Report

Submitted by: Mark Johnson

Newsletter Statistics: The quarterly electronic newsletter (ASVCP News Blast) was released on December 19th, 2017, March 19, 2018, June 11, 2018 and September 17, 2018. Additionally, a supplemental one was released on January 22, 2018 to recap the annual ASVCP meeting in Vancouver. This is the 3rd year of publishing the ASVCP newsletter in the electronic News Blast format. A pdf version of the newsletter is also available in the members section of the ASVCP webpage. The fourth quarter newsletter is scheduled for release in mid-December 2018 and a supplemental post-annual meeting newsletter is scheduled for release mid to late January of 2019. Articles for the newsletter were solicited from Executive Board (EB) members, the Veterinary Clinical Pathology (VCP) Editor-in-Chief, Committee Chairs and other contributors 1-2 months in advance of the anticipated quarterly publication date. I would like to send out one last Texas size shout-out to Ashley Alba and her team at The Rees Group (TRG) for their exemplary work on the newsletter during my tenure as Secretary!

Newsletter Content: Four Microscopy Art Corner images were used in the Quarterly newsletter and included the following captions, “Ginger Bread Anyone”, “March Showers Bring Mast Cell Flowers”, “Mitosis Explosus” and “New Discovery, Sebaceous Cortex”. I tried to capture the essence of the images with a caption that reflected some humor, which was always fun for me and I hope was not too corny for you! Although we still have some images present in the newsletter image repository, Melinda Camus (incoming Secretary) should be sending out a call for new images in the future, so keep an eye out for her requests! We included only one “Getting to Know your Executive Board Member” article this year for Dr. Kurt Zimmerman, but we are planning two for the December 2018 newsletter, one for our incoming President, Dr. Julie Webb and one for our Treasurer, Dr. Sarah Beatty.

Congratulations banners and photos were placed in the supplemental January newsletter for the 2017 ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award recipient, Dr. Dennis DeNicola, the 2017 Educator Award recipient, Dr. Anne Barger, and the 2017 Early Career Award recipient, Dr. Erica Behling-Kelly. Congratulations announcements were also placed in the 2018 supplemental January newsletter for the 2017 Share the Future (STF) Research Grant and Travel award recipients, and the Young Investigator award recipients. Congratulations announcements were placed in the September 2018 newsletter for the 2018 ASVCP Lifetime Achievement Award recipient, Dr. Steve Stockholm, the 2018 Educator Award recipient, Dr. Tracy Stokol, and the 2018 Early Career Award recipient, Dr. Laureen Peters.

I was hoping to go my last year without having to place an in-Memoriam announcement in the newsletter, as this was task I took seriously, but did not relish as part of my duties as Secretary. Unfortunately, we did place an in-Memoriam for Dr. Elizabeth Skuba in the December 2017 newsletter. Lastly, announcement banners for the combined ASVCP/ESVCP Online Rounds and general Society notices were included in all newsletters.

E-mail Blasts: ASVCP e-mail blasts were sent out to Society members two-three weeks prior to the monthly Online Rounds sessions and before important ASVCP events such as EB elections, nominations for Lifetime Achievement and Early Career Awards, STF research and travel awards, and Mystery Case/Slide submission requests. A special thanks as always goes out to the TRG staff for coordinating and sending out the E-mail blasts.

Meeting Minutes: The draft minutes from the 2017 ASVCP Annual Business Meeting in Vancouver were made available online to members through a link in the supplemental January 2018 newsletter. A call for approval of these minutes will occur during the 2018 annual ASVCP Business meeting in Washington, DC. Since the 2017 ASVCP Annual Business Meeting, the EB has held 12 monthly webinars/meetings on the following dates: 12/6/17, 1/10/18, 2/13/18, 3/14/18, 4/11/18, 5/9/17, 6/5/18, 6/13/18, 7/11/18, 8/22/18, 9/12/18, and 10/10/18. Minutes were recorded for all webinars/meetings, as well as the 2017 annual EB meeting and the 2017 joint EB/ACVP Council lunch meeting in Vancouver. Draft versions of all meeting minutes were distributed to EB members for review and corrections. Finalized versions of the minutes were uploaded to Basecamp, the online central document repository provided and maintained by TRG.

Documents: Documents pertinent to ASVCP business are maintained by the Secretary in electronic format and are also uploaded to Basecamp. These documents are maintained in a file system on Basecamp for easy retrieval by EB members at any time. Documents available for review include EB teleconference/webinars and meeting minutes (2007-current), ASVCP newsletters (2007-current), the ASVCP Constitution and Bylaws, EB position descriptions and SOPs, ASVCP EB and Committee Chair contact information including committee membership lists, official position documents for EB review, and results of EB votes.

Membership: New ASVCP member applications are received and provisionally approved by TRG and subsequently forwarded to the ASVCP Secretary. The Secretary distributes the applications to EB members for review and are officially approved by the EB on a quarterly basis. The EB reviewed and approved 49 ASVCP membership applications (see following list) from October 2017 through September 2018. Since memberships are for a calendar year and are not pro-rated, applications received after September 1 are held over for the following year; however, these applicants are granted member registration fees for attending the annual meeting and electronic access (only) to Veterinary Clinical Pathology. As of September 30, 2018, ASVCP membership stands at 701. Many thanks to Rob Winters at TRG for keeping membership matters superbly organized in 2017-2018.

New member applications approved December 2016-September 2017

Romulo Antunes
Peyman Asadian
Anne Aworinde
Maria Balan
Annie Bauman
Daniel Castillo
Aiyang Cheng
Shelley Chu
Stephen Crane
Aimee Crook
Priscila da Siva Serpa
Guy Davies
Michelle DeCourcy
Diane Eklund
Christine Essa
Leandro Fonseca
Israel Fuentes

Tess Gannaway
Robert Harris
Timothy Jagger
Ernest Jimenez III
Jerome Kumbalek
Sarah Leavell
Mackenzie Long
Brittany Madere
Stephanie
McGavary
Hiroyuki Mochizuki
Maria Naskou
Ariel Nenninger
Sara Obelter
Ioannis Oikonomidis
India Papahersing
Barbie Papajesi

Grace Pawsat
Melissa Primitivo
Shanna Reed
Elise Russell
Kimberley
Sunita Seshia
Luis Sifuentes
Cory Sims
Cora Sommerey
Yurika Tachibana
Chiara Talamonti
Caroline Trudel
Laura Wernerdahl
Samantha Wildboer
Michael Winter
Judith Wulcan
Treasurer’s Report 2018

Submitted by: Sarah Beatty

Budget Period: 7/1/17-6/30/18

At the close of the prior fiscal year, our assets were as follows:

**Total:** $260,732.57
- **Operating account:** $55,799.92 (21%)
- **Investment account:** $204,932.65 (79%)

**Conclusions and Recommendations:**

Through consultation with the Rees Group and Lincoln Financial, the executive board assessed the financial outlook of the society and decided to maintain approximately 6 months to 1 year of operating expenses. A decision was made to spend down a portion of the excess reserves for one time initiatives and to invest into the health of the society. The balance between the operating account and investment account was adjusted this fiscal year to avoid potential volatility associated with the market. Additional funds were transferred to the operating account and bonds as sources of stability and income. Allocations to socially responsible investments were increased, while still maintaining return on investment. As a result of the financial growth of the markets, our investment account experienced positive growth over the last year. ASVCP continues to offer more services for members and opportunities for trainees in addition to increasing general costs, which require recurring sources of funding. The ASVCP executive board approved an increase in dues beginning January 2019: regular members $150 to $165 (previous increase 2016), Resident/Graduate Student/Technologist $80 to $90 (last increase 2013), and created a new category for members from developing nations and veterinary medical students $25.

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Treasurer’s Report - continued

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*** Lincoln Fidelity account opened FY16; all assets transferred into investment management.

# Money Market account closed in FY15.

## 36-month CD was closed on 1/14; cashed out for $51,550 and invested into PAX World funds.

### 36-month CD liquidated; reinvested based on advice of financial advisor.

**Action Items:**

1. Supporting Share the Future and fundraising to increase opportunities for trainees and membership benefits.
2. Employing practical solutions to maintain a balanced budget in the upcoming fiscal years.
4. Engaging in creative collaborations to mutually maximize financial benefits.
3rd Year Executive Board Member’s Report

Submitted by: Amy MacNeill

Share the Future
The Share the Future Committee has been very active this year. The committee ran a very successful live auction at the ASVCP reception in 2017 and have plans for an exciting auction event in 2018.

The group has announced a new fund-raising campaign to “Honor a Mentor”. This is a fantastic way to highlight how many amazing leaders and mentors there are in the field of veterinary clinical pathology. Notes of thanks to mentors from donors will be published in ASVCP Newsletters and posted on the Share the Future page of the ASVCP website (https://www.asvcp.org/page/ShareTheFuture).

Ways for people and organizations to sponsor On-Line Rounds will be announced before the end of 2018.

Share the Future will be providing six travel grants and one research grant this year.

PLEASE DONATE TO STF at https://www.asvcp.org/donations/donate.asp?id=16868. These donations are used to support trainees on their way to becoming diplomates.

If you see them at the 2018 meeting, please thank the Committee Chair, Laura Cregar, and Committee Members, Bill Reagan, Chuck Wiedmeyer, Natalie Hoepp, Johanna Rigas, Carolyn Grimes, Nora Springer, and Erica Behling-Kelly for all of their hard work.

Mystery Slides and Case Discussions
There were 29 Mystery Slide submissions and 6 Case Discussion submissions for the 2018 ASVCP meeting. Sixteen Mystery Slides (5 in digital format) and 5 Case Discussions will be presented. Nine additional bonus Mystery Slides (3 in digital format) were included in the slide sets.

THANKS SO MUCH TO EVERYONE WHO PUT THE TIME INTO SUBMITTING THESE FANTASTIC CASES!!!

For those of you who purchased slides, I hope you enjoyed looking at them. For those of you who didn’t, please check to see if there are sets available at the meeting. It’s great to have these cases stored away as references and for teaching purposes.

Any feedback (particularly on the digital slides) is very welcome. If you would like a slide set or have comments, please talk to me at the meeting or email me at amy.macneill@colostate.edu.

Collaborative Organizations
One goal of ASVCP is to interact with and encourage other veterinary organizations to become members of the society. I encourage any ASVCP members involved with other groups (STP, ESVCP, ASVP, ISACP, ACVIM, VCOG, VCCIS, etc.) to invite other group members with an interest in clinical pathology (i.e. everyone, of course) to join ASVCP.
2nd Year Executive Board Member’s Report

Submitted by: Sharon Dial

As the 2nd Year Executive Board Member, I had the pleasure of being the liaison to the Education Committee, Quality Assurance and Laboratory Standards Committee, and the Web Committee. 2018 has been an amazingly busy year for the dedicated membership of these committees! In addition, with the support of Eric Fish, Unity Jeffrey, and Jessica Hokamp, the ASVCP specialty session for ACVIM provided our colleagues in internal medicine with an excellent perspective of biomarkers in veterinary medicine.

Following the completion and subsequent March publication of the Hematology TEa guideline, the Quality Assurance and Laboratory Standards Committee took on the extensive task of reviewing and updating the "general guideline" Principles of Quality Assurance and Standards for Veterinary Clinical Pathology. The committee worked together as a team with individual focus groups taking on specific sections while stressing the need to manage format and ease of information access. The final document was submitted to the Executive board in September and October 2018 for review before the November Executive Board meeting at the annual ASVCP/ACVP conference in Washington, DC. Following review by the EB, the revised guideline with be published in Veterinary Clinical Pathology. The committee has been working with our journal’s editor, Wendy Sprague, to coordinate formatting and accessibility for all published guidelines between the Journal and ASVCP websites. Going forward, both published and original guideline versions will have the same format. All versions will be accessible from the journal website and on a new Wiley freeware page just for QALS guidelines. Completing this major revision of the guideline was a monumental undertaking and a huge THANK YOU goes out to the committee members for their dedication to getting this completed within one year.

With this major task finished, the Quality Assurance and Laboratory Guidelines committee is turning their focus to new tasks. Items for consideration include modification of the general guideline/checklists for general practitioners and in-house laboratories (in support of the Point of Care Testing guidelines), revisiting development of QA/QC educational material with the education committee, developing a TEa guideline for endocrinology testing, and a guideline for blood type, blood banking, and crossmatch. It looks like 2019 will be as productive a year as 2018!

This year the Education Committee has planned an exciting Education Forum with Dr. Holly Bender, an ASVCP Educator Award recipient on research-based education facilitated the awarding of the ASVCP Educator Award Dr. Tracy Stokol for her legacy of educating veterinary medical students and residents. Many in ASVCP benefit from the eClinPath website and Tracy’s continued support as a panelist and presenter for Online Rounds. The committee also awarded two externship grants. Rebekah Liffman, University of Melbourne, will be externing at both Texas A&M and UC-Davis and Suzanne Bussey, Royal Veterinary College, will be externing at Colorado State University, is leading the “Hollywood Squares”

event at the upcoming ACVP/ASVCP meeting in D.C. We are changing it up this year to Team Jeopardy. Would you be interested in leading a team of new residents? The goal is to introduce them with their peers and fellow pathologists.

This year the Education committee has decided to mix thing up with a Team Jeopardy event to bring everyone together for a light-hearted evening of fun and networking. Please join us, get to know who’s who and who’s where and who remembers the rule of the question.

The Web Committee has been diligently getting the ASVCP website up and running with options for committee blogs, forums, membership pages and feeds. The development and implementation of the new website is a remarkable accomplishment. Membership is encouraged to get their information in and start sharing, messaging, and networking. It would be wonderful to have picture to go with a name when looking up members! New configurations of our social media are being developed that link to the webpage through mobile device Apps. The committee is working closely with the Executive board to develop a plan for configuration of the case bank and image library. Our online presence is an important part of our public image and our connection to all members. The membership of the ASVCP is encouraged to make our new website a vibrant community.

This year, the ASVCP specialty sessions at the ACVIM Forum in Seattle were presented by Eric Fish, Unity Jeffrey, Jessica Hokamp, and Sharon Dial. The sessions were well attended with great attendee participation. The Society’s participation in the ACVIM Forum is an excellent opportunity for networking with our colleagues in internal medicine and to showcase the remarkable work being done in our specialty. In a session on iron biomarkers, Eric reviewed the current tests available for evaluation of iron status and, in a second session, role of microRNA as biomarkers for cancer. Unity presented two sessions, the first on developing biomarkers that actually work, the second on personalized medicine for small animal coagulation disorders. Jessica presented a session on renal biomarkers in small animal medicine and Sharon presented a session on whole slide imaging in pathology. These presentations are an excellent opportunity for ASVCP members to showcase the new and exciting work they are doing. If you are interested in participating next year, Please contact Laura Snyder (snyder.laura@marshfieldclinic.org), the organizer for the 2019 ACVIM Specialty Session in Phoenix, AZ. Come visit Arizona, I’ll see you there.
1st Year Executive Board Member’s Report

Submitted by: Laura Snyder

Program Committee:
This year I have had the pleasure of serving as liaison to this hardworking committee and its devoted chair, Dr. Tina Meichner. The program committee has organized an excellent ASVCP Current Topics session (formerly known as the Education Symposium) for Sunday morning at the joint ACVP/ASVCP 2018 conference. This year’s topic is clinical immunology and will cover various aspects of diagnostic immunology in immune mediated and neoplastic states.

The pre-meeting workshop organized by the VLP (Chair- Nicole Rosen) and is entitled Clinical Pathology of Non-domestic Species. Topics covered include didactic speakers and case studies in chemistry, hematology and cytology, as well as aspects of QA/QC.

Finally, the program committee is also in the early stages of coordinating a joint meeting of the ISACP (International Society for Animal Clinical Pathology) and ACVP/ASVCP for 2020. This combined meeting will be a valuable opportunity for the ASVCP and ISACP to become better acquainted and in an ever shrinking world!

2019 ACVIM Forum:
The ASVCP sessions for the 2019 ACVIM forum have been planned! These sessions were selected with the goal of appealing to internists, practitioners and pathologists attending the annual meeting. We hope to see some of you at these sessions if you attend the meeting!

Thursday Morning June 6th:
Dr. Pete Christopherson, DVM, PhD, DACVP
1. Clinical pathologic findings and molecular basis for canine inherited bleeding disorders
2. Congenital macrothrombocytopenias: a differential to consider especially in non-clinical thrombocytopenias

Saturday Morning June 8th:
Dr. Melinda Camus, DVM, DACVP
1. Quality assurance and quality control for point of care instruments

Dr. Brett Stone BVSc(Hons), B.BiomedSc(Hons), M.Phil, MANZCVS, DACVP
2. Disease Prevalence: Putting test results into perspective

Dr. Randal Baral, BVSc MACVSc (feline) PhD
3. The veterinary biological variation database
4. Interpreting biochemistry test results in light of biochemical variation
Education Committee Report

Submitted by:
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Incoming chair: Ashleigh Newman (alw43@cornell.edu)

Executive Board Liaison:
Sharon Dial

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• Liesl Breickner
• Shannon Dehghanpir
• Charlotte Hollinger
• Cheryl Lawson
• Mary Leissinger
• Devorah Marks Stowe
• Cheryl Moller
• Ashleigh Newman
• Nicole Rosen
• Deanna Schaefer
• Austin Viall

Dates of conference calls/meetings:
• March 5 (conference call)
• July 10 (conference call)
• October 1 (meet and greet subcommittee conference call)
• November 4 (breakfast meeting)
• All other business conducted via email

Committee objectives and accomplishments:
• Plan the 2018 ASVCP Education Forum for Discussion. The Forum this year will be led by Dr. Holly Bender, a clinical pathologist with specific expertise in educational theory. In preparation for this session, Education Committee co-chair Dr. Ashleigh Newman, traveled to Iowa State University to participate, along with Education Committee member Dr. Austin Viall, in Dr. Bender’s Team-Based Learning Workshop for faculty. The Education Forum will be on Monday November 5, 2018 from 3:45-5:15, during the 2017 ACVP/ASVCP Annual Meeting in Washington DC.

Title: Research-Based Flipped Classroom: Team-Based Learning

In this interactive session, you will experience Team Based Learning (TBL) led by a faculty developer and a team of veterinary clinical pathology educators. See for yourself how TBL can help you enliven group- and case-based learning for your classroom. Learn how to make a big class seem smaller, develop student critical thinking skills, and avoid common pitfalls of collaborative learning while having fun. Increase learning gains, motivation, and engagement for your students.

Session developer:
Holly Bender DVM, PhD, DACVP
Associate Director for Faculty Programming
Director, Preparing Future Faculty Program
Center for Excellence in Learning and Teaching
Morrill Professor, Veterinary Pathology
Iowa State University

Moderators:
Ashleigh W. Newman, VMD, DACVP
Assistant Clinical Professor, Clinical Pathology
Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine

Austin K. Viall, DVM, MS, DACVP
Assistant Professor, Clinical Pathology
Department of Veterinary Pathology
College of Veterinary Medicine
Iowa State University

• Choose the recipient of the 2018 ASVCP Educator Award. The recipient of this year’s Educator Award is Dr. Tracy Stokol. The award will be presented to her at the ASVCP Business Meeting during the 2018 ACVP/ASVCP Annual Meeting in Washington DC.

• Administer the resident externship grant program. The Executive Board granted money to fund two externships for clinical pathology residents to spend time at another institution. The application process included a short form, a letter of justification, and letters of support from the current training program and from the hosting institution. There were many excellent applicants, and the decision was difficult. The recipients of this year’s resident externship grants are Dr. Rebekah Liffman (The University of Melbourne) and Dr. Suzanne Bussey (Royal Veterinary College, University of London).

• Arrange for resident/established clinical pathologist meet and greet at the annual conference. Shannon Dehghanpir has volunteered to plan this event, along with help from Ashleigh Newman and Austin Viall. The theme will be a team jeopardy event, and it will be on Monday November 5, from 7-8pm.

• Coordinate the SAVMA student seminar stipends. Kate Baker is coordinating this effort.

Objectives for 2019:

• Choose the recipient of the 2019 ASVCP Educator Award
• Plan the 2019 Education Forum for Discussion
• Continue the resident externship grant program, provided that funds are available
• Plan the resident/established clinical pathologist meet and greet at the annual conference.
• Coordinate the SAVMA student seminar stipends
• Arrange for a booth and speakers at the 2019 SAVMA symposium
Online Rounds

Submitted by: Sharon Dial and Ashley Alba

No official committee present at this time. The organization of the rounds has been a cooperative effort between The Rees Group, presenters and Sharon Dial.

Twelve rounds were scheduled for 2018, 10 have been presented to date:

Summary of activities and accomplishments:

- January 17 – Sharon Dial, Arizona Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory
- February 28 – Kristina Meichner, University of Georgia
- March 28 – Tracy Stokol, Cornell University
- April 18 – Austin Viall and Claire Andreasen, Iowa State University
- May 23 – Linda Vap and Christine Olver, Colorado State University
- June 27 – Ashleigh Newman, Cornell University
- July 25 – Laura Snyder, Marshfield Labs
- August 22 – A. Russell Moore, Samantha Evans, and Adam Harris, Colorado State University
- September 19 – Julie Webb, IDEXX
- October – A Miscellany of Cases From Guelph, University of Guelph
- November – Emma Hooijberg, University of Pretoria
- December – Elena Gorman and Jennifer Johns, Oregon State University

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- In March 2016, Online Rounds became a financial partnership between ASVCP and ESVCP.

Objectives for 2019

- Identify new presenters and encourage those who presented this year to continue in supporting the program.

Committee objectives

The online rounds were developed to bring our colleagues together throughout the year to share interesting cases in an informal setting. The rounds allow our residents to see cases through the eyes of clinical pathologists at institutions other than their own in hopes of broadening their experience. For the presenters and others established in their career, it allows the exchange of ideas, provides a platform to present puzzling cases for insight, showcase excellent examples of disease a process or just show off beautiful microscopic specimens. Discussion is encouraged through questions and commented moderated by a panel of clinical pathologists and the presenter. The rounds are presented using Go-To-Webinar and employ real time viewing using video-microscopy.
Program Committee Report

Submitted by: Kristina Meichner - Chair (meichner@uga.edu)

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- Janelle Renschler- MAL (jrenschler2@yahoo.com)
- Bruce LeRoy- MAL (bruce.leroy@abbvie.com)
- Julie Webb - President-elect (kzimmerm@vt.edu)
- Nicole Rosen- VLP chair (rosenn@purdue.edu)

Dates of conference calls/meetings:

- Two breakfast meetings (program committee and VLP committee) at the 2017 annual ACVP/ASVCP meeting in Vancouver
- January 5th teleconference (MacNeill, Garden, Meichner)
- January 11th teleconference (Program Committee)
- March 2nd teleconference (ACVP Education Committee, Meichner)
- June 13th teleconference (ASVCP EB)
- July 11th teleconference (ASVCP EB)
- October teleconference (with ISACP)
- All other business conducted via email
- Spring ACVP Education Committee Planning Meeting April 21/22, Chicago (Meichner)

Committee objectives and accomplishments:

Objectives for 2018:

- Take over as Program Committee chair after Laura Snyder's tenure
- Organize the ASVCP Current Topics session for the 2018 meeting, including the overall theme and invited speakers.
- Assist the ASVCP president elect in selection of keynote speakers for the Clinical Pathology Focused Scientific Sessions for the 2018 meeting.
- Assist the VLP chair with speaker selection and organizational components of the 2018 VLP program.
- Assist the ASVCP VLP chair with organization of the 2018 ASVCP pre-meeting workshop.
- Recruit new members to join the ASVCP program committee.
- Start organizing a joint ASVCP/ISACP meeting in 2020, Chicago.

Accomplishments 2018:

- All components of the 2018 meeting are finalized. This includes the Education Symposium, the VLP session, the Clinical Pathology Focused Scientific Sessions (abstract selection pending), the Mystery Slide Session, the Case Review Session and pre-meeting workshop organized by the VLP Committee.
- The theme for the ASVCP Current Topics in Clinical Pathology session is ‘Clinical Immunology’. The invited speakers include Dr. Oliver Garden (UPenn) who will be speaking on diagnostic criteria for immune-mediated hemolytic anemia (IMHA), Dr. Amy MacNeill (CSU) who will be speaking on the evidence for the use of commonly used diagnostic tests for IMHA and how are they most optimally performed, Dr. Dorothee Bienzle (U of Guelph) who will be speaking on principles and clinical application of clinical flow cytometry, and Dr. Dana LeVine (Iowa State U) who will be speaking on the pathophysiology and diagnostics of immune thrombocytopenia (ITP).
- Recruited a new ASVCP PC member (Paula Krimer).
- Started organizing the planned joint ASVCP/ISACP meeting in 2020 (Chicago)

Objectives for 2019:

- Organize the ASVCP Current Topics session for the 2019 meeting, including the overall theme and invited speakers.
- Assist the ASVCP president elect in selection of keynote speakers for the Clinical Pathology Focused Scientific Sessions for the 2019 meeting.
- Assist the new VLP chair with speaker selection and organizational components of the 2019 VLP program.
- Appoint a liaison from the PC to assist the VLP chair with speaker selection and organizational components of the 2019 VLP program.
- Continue organizing the joint ASVCP/ISACP meeting in 2020, Chicago.
- Assist with organization of the 2019 pre-meeting workshop.
- We will also continue to actively recruit new members to replace out-going members and welcome your referrals and suggestions!
Quality Assurance and Laboratory Standards (QALS) Report

Submitted by: Jennifer Cook, Chair (jennifer-cook@idexx.com)
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Dates of conference calls/meetings:
• January 18, 2018 (teleconference)
• April 10, 2018 (teleconference)
• July 19, 2018 (teleconference)
• October 25, 2018 (teleconference)
• November 4, 2018 (breakfast meeting in Washington DC)

Committee objectives and accomplishments:
• We would like to congratulate our committee member, Dr. Jérémie Korchia, on finishing his clin path residency at Michigan State and passing the board exam in August while simultaneously contributing to our work—way to go! Jérémie will embark on his clin path career at the Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory.
• Allowable total error guidelines (TEa) for hematology were published both online at www.asvcp.org and in Veterinary Clinical Pathology.
• The “general guideline”, Principles of Quality Assurance and Standards for Veterinary Clinical Pathology, is undergoing its 10-year revision using the guideline-writing SOP; it is currently under review by ASVCP Executive Board. New topics covered include: total quality management, immunocytochemistry, and electrophoresis/imunotyping. All sections have checklists.

• In collaboration with Dr. Sprague of Veterinary Clinical Pathology and Wiley Publications, we have instituted a Wiley online freeware page for the published versions of QALS guidelines: https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/page/journal/1939165x/homepage/Qals. PDF archives will also be available on this site in the future.
• In collaboration with Dr. Hollinger and the web committee, we have updated and reformatted/streamlined the QALS appearance on asvcp.org.
• Per Rees Group, the “QALS” area of the ASVCP Publications webpage, at which QALS-authored QA/QC guidelines are published, received 2,863 page views (3.86% of total www.asvcp.org page views) between September 7, 2017 and September 24, 2018 (up from 1,807/2.11% during the previous 12 mos). Of these, 1,875 (3.45% of total) were unique page views. Views came from Google, VIN, and “direct” visits (e.g. user bookmarks).

Objectives for 2019:
• Keep working on revisions to the QALS’ general quality guidelines, with a completion date in 2019.
• Review policy for publication of QALS’ guidelines, with possible consolidation to Wiley/VCP only, with routing links on the QALS page of asvcp.org. Collaborate with web committee and VCP editorial staff/Wiley on format/web design.
• Explore the possibility of guideline modification for publication in journals with wider readership among general practitioners.
• Support/collaborate with the Clinical Flow Cytometry User Group on their proficiency testing project, with potential formation of a flow cytometry guideline.
• Form subcommittees to work on other new projects—ideas include (not limited to): reference interval database; QA/QC educational materials for veterinary students/pathology residents; guideline for allowable total error in endocrinology; and, guideline for blood typing/crossmatch. These projects will entail collaboration with other committees/working groups/interest groups/societies.
• Provide continued support, as needed, to AAHA, NAVTA, ACVPT, and other requesting organizations with regard to QA/QC in veterinary medicine. Place announcements of all the QALS guidelines in the journals/newsletters of these societies, per their previous requests.
• Check in with the Wildlife Working Group on their projects for creation/evaluation of reference intervals in exotic species.
• We invite new interested members-- please contact: jennifer-cook@idexx.com
Regulatory Affairs Committee (RAC)

Submitted by: Adam Aulbach
Executive Board Liaison: Julie Webb (EB Liaison)

Committee Members (n=12):
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Dates of Meetings/Conference Calls in 2018:
Meetings held: Jan 30, Mar 13, April 24, June 5, Aug 28, OCT, DEC (planned).

Purpose:
The Regulatory Affair Committee (RAC) of the ASVCP strives to advance toxicologic clinical pathology in industry by educating, promoting communication and publishing contemporary best practices for clinical pathology in industry. Primary RAC activities include sponsorship of resident externships in industry, development and publication of guidelines for veterinary clinical pathology aspects in industry, and fostering of collaboration with ACVP and STP to improve harmonization efforts. The RAC also surveys government regulatory agencies, national and international committees, the pharmaceutical industry, professional organizations, and oral and written communication for current and impending legislation/regulations or publications that may affect the daily business of our membership. The RAC forms consensus opinions and responds appropriately to these agencies on behalf of the ASVCP. Many of our members are employed in the industry (contract research organizations, biotech, pharmaceutical, agrochemical and food industries, and private diagnostic laboratories).

Current Year Objectives:
1. Continue to develop guidelines and useful publications for veterinary clinical pathology aspects in industry. Specifically, continue work on manuscripts or projects in development which include the following:
   - Points to Consider Manuscripts: 1) Reporting 2) Interpretation of Clinical Pathology Findings in Nonclinical Toxicology Studies (Aulbach - ongoing)
   - Severity Scoring in Clinical Pathology (Tripathi - ongoing)
   - Stats manuscript focusing on clinical pathology in toxicology studies (Ramaiah - ongoing)
2. Continue to secure funding for externships in industry for clinical pathology residents.
3. Continue to foster ties with organizations such as the ACVP and the Society of Toxicologic Pathology (STP) to improve communications and harmonization efforts.

Major Accomplishments (thus far) in 2017:
- Published Graphical Representation of Pathology and Clinical Pathology Data in Toxicology Studies (Troth, Siska et. al.) Toxicol Pathol
- Awarded scholarships to 3 resident recipients for externships in Industry
  - Daniela Hernandez (Cornell - $677)
  - Ilaria Cerchiaro (Washington State - $670)
  - Camille McAloney (The Ohio State - $946)
- Established a liaison with SRPC (Scientific and Regulatory Policy Committee)
  - Eric Schultze is RAC/SRPC liaison for 2018

Objectives for the remainder of the year:
- Continue working on current ongoing projects:
  - Use of statistics in toxicologic clinical pathology manuscript (starting to write draft)
  - 1) Reporting and 2) Interpretation of Clinical Pathology Findings in Preclinical Toxicology Studies: Points to Consider manuscript
- Update the EB on draft manuscripts in progress and submit these for publication when applicable.
- Continue to develop guidelines for clinical pathology in industry.
- Continue to develop advocacy plans that promote the role of veterinary clinical pathology in regulatory environments.
- Keep membership informed of committee activities and regulatory issues via article(s) in ASVCP newsletter and Facebook posts, as appropriate.
- Identify an RAC chair by end of 2018 to take over in 2020

OTHER NOTES
- We added a new member in 2018, Kate Biddle (Pfizer) who will be replacing Allison Vitsky who is rotating off the RAC at the end of 2018.
Share the Future Committee

Submitted by: Laura Cregar, Chair
Executive Board Liaison: Amy MacNeill (amy.macneill@colostate.edu)

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- Natalie Hoepp (nataliehoepp@gmail.com)
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- Erica Behling-Kelly (eb85@cornell.edu)
- Norah Springer (nlspring@vet.k-state.edu)

Dates of Conference Calls in 2018 to date: April 2, May 7, September 20

Committee Objectives:
The STF committee reviews applications, selects awardees of travel and research grants for clinical pathology residents, graduate students, and veterinary students and develops innovative strategies and/or programs that encourage both short-term and long-term donor support for Society activities and educational events associated with the annual meeting.

Summary of 2018 Activities:

Travel Grant Awards: Share the Future travel grants are intended to help offset travel costs for clinical pathology residents or graduate students giving talks or poster presentations at the Annual Meeting. Six travel grant applications were received for six awards. All residents were verified to be giving a presentation (poster or oral) at the upcoming meeting, and received the award:
- Dr. Danielle Gordon – University of Illinois
- Dr. Carolina Allende – Oregon State
- Dr. Maria Naskou – Auburn University
- Dr. Samantha Evans – Colorado State
- Dr. Brandy Kastl – Kansas State
- Dr. Diya Sharma – University of Wisconsin

In years with more applicants than awards, criteria for award selection include: stage of training, availability of funding from the home institution, the distance applicants must travel, and ASVCP membership status. Preference may also given to applicants giving oral presentations.

Research Grant: Share the Future research grants are intended to help support research by clinical pathology residents and graduate students. Grants are $2,500. Three research grant applications were received for one award. The award was chosen after considering the quality of the research proposal, the potential for contributing to the knowledge base of veterinary clinical pathology, the amount of institutional funding, and ASVCP membership status. The committee reviewed each proposal and arrived at a consensus of awarding $2,500 to the following recipient:
- Dr. Samantha Evans – Colorado State for the project entitled “University of Georgia for the project entitled “Efficacy of fountain flow cytometry for rapid detection of sepsis in fluids”

We look forward to hearing the outcome of this work! Share the Future grants are made possible through the support of ASVCP members and corporate sponsors, and we thank them for their contributions and continued support of these important activities! We will be looking to increase the number of awards in the future pending the success of future fundraising campaigns, with possible consideration of grants to support resident projects vs. Master's or PhD research.

Continued fundraising: The STF committee is looking to identify new sources of both personal and corporate fundraising.

- Live auction: A brief live auction will be held at the beginning of the ASVCP reception. This will be the second year for the auction. Several auction items have been identified, and it looks like this will be another successful event.
- Honor a mentor campaign: To build on a generous donation made in honor of Dennis DiNicola last year, a campaign was initiated to allow ASVCP members to make a donation in honor of a past or current mentor and share their story. Stories are to be highlighted on the STF homepage. This campaign has great potential but was poorly advertised. We plan to pick this back up following the meeting.
- On-line rounds sponsorship: The executive board has developed a structure for online rounds sponsorship. People or organizations will be able to donate in support of on-line rounds, with the level of sponsorship related to the amount of time their name appears as a “sponsor.” This initiative still needs to be advertised – this is in progress.
- The STF committee is drafting letters to past lifetime achievement award winners to ask for their continued support of clinical pathology trainees.
- As always, members can donate on the STF homepage.

Website/Communication:
- Links to manuscripts published by those who received STF research grants are to be included on the STF homepage to promote the importance of these projects and encourage continued support.
- Any stories generated through the “honor a mentor” campaign will be shared on the page (pending permission), as well as on-line rounds sponsorship.
- Efforts are also being made to advertise how STF funds may be used in communications regarding STF (newsblasts, emails, etc.) – STF funding is not limited to resident travel and research, but may also include veterinary student outreach, on-line rounds, resident externship opportunities, as well as any new initiatives and scholarship opportunities that benefit the clinical pathology trainee community. We hope this additional clarification will compel more members to donate.
Veterinary Clinical Pathology Report

Submitted by: Wendy Sprague, Editor-in-Chief

*Veterinary Clinical Pathology* is the journal for the American Society for Veterinary Clinical Pathology and the European Society of Veterinary Clinical Pathology.

Editorial Staff: Laura Brashear is the managing editor. There are currently eight Section Editors from the US and Europe/UK, who are listed below.

- Mehrdad Ameri, Glaxo Smith Cline, Section Editor for Hematopathology and Toxicologic Clinical Pathology
- Kristen Friedrichs, University of Wisconsin, Section Editor for Clinical Chemistry
- Peter O’Brien, University of Dublin, Section Editor for Toxicologic Clinical Pathology
- Christine Olver, Colorado State University, Section Editor for Hematology
- Saverio Paltrinieri, University of Milan, Section Editor for Chemistry and Wildlife Studies
- Judith Radin, The Ohio State University, Section Editor for Reviews
- Rose Raskin, Purdue University, Section Editor for What Is Your Diagnosis? Articles
- Maxey Wellman, The Ohio State University, Section Editor for Cytology and Surgical Pathology

Kristen Friedrichs will be stepping down at the end of 2018. The journal thanks her for providing several years of outstanding service. And, to fill that spot, we are excited that Erica Behling-Kelly from Cornell University has agreed to join VCP as a Section Editor for Clinical Chemistry.

Editorial Board: We currently have 29 Editorial Board members, which include clinical pathologists, internists, and scientists from academic institutions, diagnostic laboratories, private consulting companies, and pharmaceutical/healthcare companies. Two statisticians are also on the board. We are currently working on expanding the board and will be sending out invitations. If anyone is interested in joining the board, please contact the Editor-in-Chief.

Affiliations: VCP is also the affiliate journal for the International Society for Animal Clinical Pathology (ISACP) and the Australian Society for Veterinary Pathology (ASVP).

Wiley-Blackwell: Juliane Hopkins is the Associate Editor at Wiley-Blackwell. We are working closely with her to make some significant changes to the journal webpage. We have been working with Jackie Beggins, the production editor at Wiley-Blackwell, to improve and standardize the copyediting. The journal style has changed slightly at the beginning of the year and uses the AMA Manual of Style for formatting. We appreciate Wiley’s commitment to a high production standard for the VCP journal.

Impact Factor: The 2-year impact factor for 2018 released in June of 2018 is 0.937. We are hoping to eventually drive the impact factor in an upward direction with the inclusion of a yearly special issue, and we are trying to attract more review articles. We thank those who have submitted review articles this past year.

Conference Abstract Publication: It appears that abstracts from the ESVCP and ASVCP meetings have not been published for the last year or two. We will be actively reinstituting the conference proceedings this year.

Special Issue on Clinical Immunology: We are still requesting articles for the special issue on clinical immunology that will come out sometime in the early to middle part of 2019. If you are interested in submitting an article for the clinical immunology issue, please contact us at vetclinpathjournal@gmail.com.

New VCP Journal Website: If you have not already been, please check out the new journal website design. It has several new features, such as a scrolling banner with links to the Editor’s Choice articles, the new QALS page, a publication by Karen Young and Mary Christopher on “Writing for Publication in Veterinary Medicine,” and a Call for Papers. This banner will be used for any pertinent announcements from the journal.

Quality Assurance and Laboratory Standards webpage moved to the journal website: Jennifer Cook and the QALS committee have agreed to have the QALS page be part of the journal, and with the help of Julianne Hopkins, we have just launched this page. It will house the published QALS articles as freeware and PDFs of the updated articles previously available on the ASVCP website. Going forward, we are still deciding how to best deal with updates of current and future publications.

Publication Ethics: As a Wiley-Blackwell journal, *Veterinary Clinical Pathology* is a member of COPE, the Committee on Publication Ethics (http://publicationethics.org/). COPE promotes the highest standards of publication ethics, provides a code of conduct for journal editors, and is a forum for editors and publishers of peer-reviewed journals to discuss publication ethics. Authors are notified that all manuscripts considered for publication in VCP are screened for plagiarism using a plagiarism detection system, iThenticate.

Reviewers: In the past year, 197 reviewers have agreed to contribute their knowledge and time to the journal. The reviewers have diverse backgrounds in a variety of disciplines and their participation in the peer review imparts quality to the journal, which has a direct effect on its success. We greatly appreciate the efforts of all the reviewers.

Author guidelines: We have been working on changing/adding to/streamlining the author guidelines. A few changes include having fewer acronyms, adding a statement about “Data not shown,” adding new information about the referencing output style, and adding more information about image requirements. Authors are encouraged to follow these guidelines closely when submitting manuscripts. This update should be up in the next month.
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Jan. 1, 2018 to October 3, 2018

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Average Days from Submission to Decision by Decision Type

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* From January 1, 2018 to October 3, 2018
Veterinary Laboratory Professionals Committee Report

Submitted by: Nicole Rosen, MT (ASCP)

VLP Committee Members
- Nicole Rosen - Chair, Program, Education, Newsletter
- Trelor Fraites – Co-Chair, Web Outreach
- Julie Webb – Liaison to the ASVCP Executive Board
- Faye Hartman - List serve
- Roberta Moorhead – Web Outreach
- Marion Bushey - QUALS
- Helen Kocmarek - QUALS
- Brittany Szczech – member at large
- Sandy Sisson – member at large
- Jill Arnold – member at large

Charges for the Veterinary Laboratory Professionals:

1. In conjunction with the Program Committee, our committee planned speakers and topics for the 2 VLP sessions will join the ASVCP Current Topic session as our 3rd session.

2. Our committee planned & hosted speakers for the ASVCP Pre-Meeting workshop on “Clinical Pathology of Non-Domestic Species”.

3. The program and budget for the PMWS and VLP Sessions were submitted and approved by the EB

4. Planned program topics were chosen from suggestions received from our annual committee meeting and EB.

5. RACE continuing education credits are given for all VLP lectures to encourage participation by newer laboratory professionals.

6. We continue to assess attendance at the VLP sessions at the annual meeting and list factors that impact negative or positive trends.

   Possible Reasons for negative trends:

   1. Overlap of ASVCP Current Topics with VLP Sunday morning sessions.
      -2018 meeting the VLP will join the ASVCP Current Topic session.

   2. Cost – Lack of financial support from Employer
      -Submitted a proposal for the ASVCP Grant to be used to help support travel expenses to the VLP meeting for lab personal that don’t usually attend due to lack of financial support.
      -VLP was awarded $1000.00 from ASVCP EB grants to be used toward two $500.00 travel grants. The VLP travel grant applications announcement was placed on the ASVCP website and the VLP Listserv. We received two application and granted one award for $500.00 was to Lynette McCall, NSCU Clinical Pathology Laboratory Supervisor. The other applicant did not meet the professional criteria that the travel grant was intended for.

7. Developed a VLP committee SOP.
   Draft will be presented at VLP committee meeting. The SOP has been created to standardize VLP membership commitment and participation with expectations that this SOP will reduce the workload on the VLP chair regarding the planning of the annual VLP sessions and increase VLP output in regards to development, engagement, and outreach with individuals within Veterinary Laboratory Professionals.

8. The VLP provided a written articles for the ASVCP News Blast.

9. The VLP listserv continues to be hosted by Wisconsin with Faye Hartman as the coordinator.

On Monday, November 5th, from 7:00 am to 8:00 am, in Washington, DC the VLP will host our annual committee meeting.

Our agenda for our 2018 committee meeting:

1. VLP Committee SOP

2. 2019 VLP CE Sessions – Topic Discussion

3. VLP Web – online CE

*All VLP committee members & interested ASVCP members are welcome to attend*
Veterinary Laboratory Professionals Committee Report - continued

2018 ASVCP/VLP Pre-Meeting Workshop (PMWS):
Clinical Pathology of Non-Domestic Species

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Website and Digital Media Committee Report

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Conference calls/meetings:
  • Breakfast meeting (Web-Outreach), Vancouver, November 6, 2017
  • Lunch meeting (Web), Vancouver, Nov 7, 2017
  • Teleconferences: December 14, 2017 and in 2018: January 4, February 8, March 8, April 19, May 12, June 14, July 19, August 15, September 13, November 15 (scheduled)

Summary of 2018 objectives and activities:

Developed and launched new ASVCP.org website
Launch of the new ASVCP website was our major focus this year. With the invaluable help of Ashley Alba at The Rees Group, our committee transferred and developed content, organized, built, and tested the site. The new www.asvcp.org was live in May 2018, in advance of the original target date (July 1), and meeting the deadline for requirements enacted by the European Union in the General Data Protection Regulation. All committee members were engaged in various aspects of design, transition, trouble-shooting, and review. Each ASVCP committee and the EB were also invited to provide and examine site content. Portions of the website are now updated, reorganized, and more complete, and the site is more easily maintained and modified. Revised or new sections include: ASVCP mission and vision, ACVIM forum, newsletter and mystery slide archives, and reorganized QALS guidelines. It is an ongoing process of improvement and our committee welcomes feedback and ideas! Please contact any committee member or Ashley Alba at TRG.

In addition to site development, we also implemented web activity monitoring (Google Analytics) and instituted a plan for ongoing review and upkeep of the site.

Explored solutions for case and microscopic image archives
Development of repository materials for cases, images, and digital slides were an identified priority in the 2016 website redesign membership survey. Unfortunately, our vendor did not meet expectations in regard to these functions and a web committee subgroup, led by Davis Seelig, was charged with investigating alternative solutions. The rationale, needs, and anticipated challenges were reassessed, and options including commercial, academic- or private-partner, and open-source platforms were presented to the EB in August. Analysis of priorities and exploration of alternatives is ongoing; if you have contributory thoughts, please contact Davis or Lotti.

Explored solutions for ASVCP listserv and committee communication
Although targeted for 2018, the listserv objective quickly became a priority when the previous listserv server unexpectedly crashed in the weeks after the 2017 meeting. Thanks to the rapid response of the EB and TRG, our web committee assisted in testing options, and ultimately integrating SimpleLists as the new Listserv platform. In conjunction with this project, Nicole Fernandez led a subgroup exploring our member management system for potential listserv and committee communication functions (i.e., groups, forums, and blogs). Nicole drafted procedures and the Groups functionality was introduced to two additional ASVCP committees for testing in September. Depending on feedback, Groups may be expanded in 2019.

Reviewed ASVCP social media presence
Our committee, led by Laura Black, reviewed the ASVCP social media presence (private and public Facebook pages) and in August provided the EB a summary and proposal. Restructuring is suggested to diversify, improve performance and maintenance, and better integrate society activities. Updates, based on EB feedback, will be planned for 2019.

Completed committee administrative business
We welcomed three new members in 2017-2018: Courtney Johnson (University of Minnesota), Pierre Deshuillers (Purdue University), and Francisco Conrado (University of Florida).

We reviewed committee membership and roles in conjunction with ASVCP criteria to optimize tenure, rotation, composition, and functions. Laura Black was identified as the next incoming chair. Our committee reports and budget were submitted to the EB.

Other activities
  • A subgroup of our committee, led by Pierre Deshuillers, provided feedback on preliminary updates to Wiley’s Veterinary Clinical Pathology journal website and discussed planning for integration with asvcp.org.
  • A subgroup of our committee, led by Laura Snyder, compiled and drafted updated ASVCP policies including for privacy, web, and social media presence. Documents are in review.
  • A subgroup of our committee, led by Gwendolyn Levine, reviewed training program postings and assembled ideas for consistency, completeness, and additional content. Implementation is planned in 2019.
  • Committee members also worked on image content, led by Francisco Conrado, and oversight of case archives, led by Courtney Johnson.
Website and Digital Media Committee Report - continued

Objectives for 2019

- Continue web development with engagement of committees, training programs, and general membership
- Develop instruction documents for web content and maintenance
- Pursue solution for case and digital slide hosting
- Implement social media revisions
- Enhance exposure of ASVCP activity (e.g., latest news, highlight features)
- Review web activity analytics
- Perform committee and web maintenance including focus-area rotation and recruitment of new members.

*We welcome new interested members or suggestions for who might be interested!*
ASVCP 2019 Volunteer Form*

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Thank You to our 2018 Presenters:
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