

## American College of Veterinary Pharmacists Board of Directors Meeting

### FINAL Minutes

1/24/2025 10:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

### Zoom Meeting

#### Present:

Brenda Jensen  
Tom Magnifico  
Brian Bowers  
Derrick Waller  
Jay Phipps  
Garrett Snowden  
Gigi Davidson

#### Not Present:

Nick Smock  
Alexandra Gochenaeur

#### Staff:

Terry Bondurant  
Linda Cathey

#### Guests:

Natalie Young, Government and Regulatory Affairs Liaison

#### A. Call to Order (Brenda Jensen) 10:33 AM ET

#### B. Roll Call (Brenda Jensen)

1) A quorum was present.

#### C. Approval of the Agenda Brenda Jensen

A request was made to move the Student Engagement Committee report before the Finance Committee Report.

Randy Carr motioned to approve the amended agenda. Tom Magnifico seconded. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

#### D. Approval of Minutes from 12-17/2024 Board Meeting

The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

#### E. Student Engagement Committee (Garrett Snowden)

- a. The full Student Engagement Committee report can be found online.
- b. The SEC requested approval for \$100 purchase of Amazon gift cards as prizes for the 2<sup>nd</sup> National Student Veterinary Pharmacy Competition to be held online 4-2-25.
- c. The Board supported the purchase and will add it to the budget under Miscellaneous Expense.

#### F. Treasurer/Finance Committee Report Randy Carr

- a. The December-January financial report and relevant documents were filed online. Approval was recommended by the Finance Committee and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Derrick Waller. The financial report was approved unanimously.
- b. The Finance Committee recommended acceptance of the ACA MOU proposed for 2025, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Derrick Waller. The ACA 2025 MOU was approved.
- c. The Finance Committee recommended acceptance of the ACA Statement of Work proposed for 2025, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Derrick Waller. The ACA 2025 Statement of Work was approved.
- d. Brenda Jensen will communicate acceptance of these items to Chair Kim Ferguson by email requesting a document suitable for signatures.

#### G. Committee Updates:

- 1) Program Planning (Tom Magnifico)
  - a) 2025 VPC Meeting
    - i) 3 speakers have been procured.
      - (1) Dr. Eegeenee Daniels, Laboratory Animal Director at North Texas University.
      - (2) Dr. Meagan Garza, topic: One Health Medicine
      - (3) Dr. Patrick Mills, Alcon Labs, Topic: Ophthalmic Drugs
    - ii) Additional speakers

- (1) Lisa Ashworth will be contacted to speak on USP topics including: Flavoring, USP Monographs, Stability, and recent updates to USP compounding standards.
  - (2) Gigi Davidson is available to speak on Compounding ophthalmic drugs if needed.
  - iii) The Charity for the Chairperson's Walk will be the Pasadena Humane Society to support animals from the LA wildfires
  - b) 2026 VPC Meeting
    - i) Brian met with Tara Marmulak of SVHP to further discuss a collaborative meeting for 2026.
    - ii) Tara appreciates the comments in the shared document and will take it to SVHP Council for discussion so that the details for registration and financial responsibilities can be decided.
- 2) Education Committee Report (Gigi Davidson for Tanner Trantham)
- a) Tanner needs to step down at Education Committee Chair due to other obligations.
  - b) Jay Phipps was suggested as a replacement Chair. Jay declined due to the number of other obligations he has currently.
  - c) Patrick Lester was suggested as a choice for Chair. Gigi will reach out to Patrick.
  - d) If Patrick declines, Meagan Garza was suggested, and should be added to the EC regardless.
  - e) A webinar entitled "Supporting Veterinary Prescribing: Challenges and Solutions" by Dr. Dan Taylor will be presented on April 2, 2025 and will be both ACPE and RACE accredited.
  - f) The Board decided that non-Board Chairs of ACVP Committees must have access to online reporting as well as the Board Minutes. ACA staff will set this up on the Board Members part of the web page.
- 3) Membership Engagement Committee Report (Derrick Waller)
- a) The MEC report was filed online along with a membership survey that Derrick would like feedback on.
  - b) The Board recognized and appreciates the message that Derrick sent out to ACVP membership for National Pharmacists Day on January 12.
  - c) Derrick will work on a new Fellows recruiting campaign for social media.
  - d) Derrick suggested a monthly blog or social media campaign targeted at a more general level that would be valuable to pet owners as well as veterinary health professionals.
  - e) Derrick and Garrett are working on a Student Chapter Update and will share that when it is finished.
- 4) Constitution and Bylaws Committee Report Brenda Jensen
- a) C&BL:
    - i) The Board should focus on the Constitutional revisions as that requires a Board vote; the Bylaws require a Membership vote and must be revised after the Constitution is revised.
    - ii) There are conflicts within the Constitution Article IV (membership categories) regarding eligibility for voting and Board election.
      - (1) Brenda will propose wording in part C to reflect that only "voting members" may be elected to the Board of Directors.
  - b) The question was raised as to how to handle pharmacist members who have retired and given up their licenses. It was suggested that they still be able to join as pharmacists but select "retired" as a payment option, similar to the current setup for Pharmacist Fellows who may pay as "Emeritus". These policies should be included in the Governance document.
  - c) Governance Document: Board members should continue to edit and provide comments on the shared document in Google Drive.
- 5) Government and Regulatory Affairs Liaison Report (Natalie Young)
- a) Natalie gave a comprehensive report on the following issues and will write a formal report to be shared with the ACVP membership after editing by the Board.
    - i) The BPS Job Analysis for Veterinary Pharmacist Practice is complete and recommendations are sent to the BPS Board for review. ACVP may need to consider funding for the petition phase if BPS Board approval is achieved.
    - ii) Zenrelia® (ilunocitinib), a JAK inhibitor for atopic dermatitis in dogs was recently approved and has a black box warning that veterinary pharmacists should be prepared to discuss with veterinarians and pet owners.
    - iii) A Dear Veterinarian letter was sent by FDA regarding adverse effects (ataxia) of Librela® (bedinvetmab) in several dogs. Natalie pointed out that many of these dogs had been recumbent for long periods due to their arthritis and that sudden activity undertaken on weakened muscles may be responsible for the ataxia, not necessarily central nervous system effects.
    - iv) Bonqat® (pregabalin) dispensing, refill, and reporting requirements are confusing to veterinarians as they think this is the same as gabapentin.

- v) Vetmedin® (pimobendan) and Felinorm® (methimazole) oral solutions are now approved for animals and should not be compounded.
- vi) A compounding pharmacy is providing molnupiravir oral dosage forms for cats with FIP. Molnupiravir (Lagevrio®) is available under an Emergency Use Authorization for treatment of COVID in humans. Thus far CVM FDA has not taken a position on this compounding as they did on GS-441524. Stay tuned.
- vii) The 2024 NIOSH List of Hazardous Drugs has been published. There are 25 new drugs, 7 removed from the 2016 list, and all changes are highlighted in red. Table 3 was combined into Table 2 for simplicity. NIOSH dropped biologics and did not add veterinary drugs because the mandate for this list is for human “drugs” only. Biologics are not drugs.

#### **H. Old Business**

##### **1) 2025 Budget**

- a) the budget has not been updated since October 2024 so the Finance Committee will review past minutes on March 5 to make a recommendation to the Board regarding updates to the 2025 proposed ACVP budget.

##### **2) 2025 Elections**

- a) Nominations for student board member open on February 1 and close on April 1.
- b) Nominations for VP and MAL (Derrick’s position) open February 1 and close March 31.
- c) The Board will have a special meeting on April 4 to appoint a student board member and decide on a slate for elections for VP and MAL.

#### **I. New Business:**

There was no new business to discuss.

**J.** Next Board Meeting March 10, 12 PM Eastern Time

**K.** Tom Magnifico motioned for the meeting to adjourn at 12:11 pm Eastern time.