



College of Veterinarians of British Columbia

COUNCIL MEETING

CVBC Boardroom

210 – 10991 Shellbridge Way, Richmond

Friday, January 24, 2020

Minutes of the Open Meeting

Council Members: Dr. Joanne Weetman (President), Dr. Sergije Prostran (Vice-President), Ms. Lori Charvat (Treasurer), Dr. Doris Leung, Mr. Gian Sihota, Ms. Dulce Cuenca, Dr. Maarten Hart, Dr. Josh Waddington and Mr. Chris Finding

Staff: Ms. Luisa Hlus (Registrar), Dr. Stacey Thomas (Deputy Registrar) and Ms. Rosalee Magcalas (Executive Assistant)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The open meeting was called to order by Dr. Weetman at 10:23 a.m.

2. ROUTINE PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

2.1. Approval of the Open Agenda

MOTION: THAT the Open Agenda be approved with the power to add.

MOVED/SECONDED CARRIED

2.2. Minutes of the December 6, 2019 Open Meeting

MOTION: THAT the Minutes of the December 6, 2019 Open Council meeting be approved as distributed.

MOVED/SECONDED CARRIED



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3. REPORTS REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION/DECISION/DISCUSSION

3.1. Article – Shortage of Veterinarians in BC

The CVBC supports the idea of allowing veterinarians who graduate from non-accredited schools to hold temporary or restricted licenses while completing their schooling in Canada. Further discussion is needed as it impacts registration and also must conform to the CVBC Bylaws.

WCVM in Saskatoon has added 20 more seats to its program, but the government of BC does not want to subsidize its students to attend this program as there is no guarantee that they will return to BC once their studies are complete.

Council discussed that there is not a lack of interest in the veterinary profession, but securing a seat in the WCVM is very competitive, with nearly 1 in 6 applicants being turned away.

3.2. Deputy Registrar – Verbal Report re. External Committees

The Deputy Registrar attends the Provincial Controlled Prescription Program Advisory Committee teleconference meetings, which include members of the Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons, Pharmaceuticals, Dental Surgeons, Nurses and others who all offer input regarding recommendations to the Government on prescription drugs and making sure that drug lists are up to date.

The group is looking towards developing a website to provide information, expectations for storage of drugs, obtaining prescription pads and revising duplicate prescription pad control.

Dr. Caroline Stean, CVBC Staff Veterinarian attended the annual meeting of the Canadian Integrated Program for Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance in place of Dr. Thomas and provided a summary. At present, broiler chickens, pigs and turkeys are being monitored closely regarding antimicrobial resistance and BC is seeing an increase in resistance.

The Deputy Registrar is seeking permission to share the presentation materials with Council and will do so as soon as possible. The Registrar is of the view that permission is not required provided the information if it is shared only with Council, as the Deputy Registrar is attending the meetings on behalf of the CVBC.

Direction: Deputy Registrar to share the meeting materials from the Canadian Integrated Program for Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance with Council.



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3.3. PFAC Policy – Post-Accreditation Decision Review of Records and Logs

At the Council meeting on December 6, 2019, Council approved 3 new PFAC Policies, but requested this Policy be returned to PFAC to be reworked, providing more details as to what circumstances would trigger implementation of the policy. Typically, incomplete drug logs are first discovered during facility inspections. The Deputy Registrar or the Staff Veterinarian then make contact to provided directions on remediation. When the facility is not resolving the issue and it takes multiple attempts to produce acceptable records and logs, this Policy would allow the CVBC's staff to follow-up with the facility in a few months to ensure that that facility is continuing to keep proper records and logs.

Council discussed the Policy as amended by PFAC and would like some minor changes in wording prior to final approval.

Requested changes:

‘Where’ in paragraphs 2 and 3 to ‘When’

3rd line in paragraph 1 from ‘The CVBC works...’ to ‘The Registrar’s staff works...’

3rd paragraph ‘...the CVBC reports...’ to ‘...the Registrar or Deputy Registrar reports...’

MOTION to make the amendments as noted above to the PFAC Policy: Post-Accreditation Decision Review of Records and Logs and to publish on the CVBC website.

Direction: To publish the amended PFAC Policy: Post-Accreditation Decision Review of Records and Logs on the CVBC website with required changes.

3.4 Blackout Dates for Council Meetings in 2020

Council discussed this briefly and some members provided their blackout dates at the meeting, with the others to follow so that the Council meetings can be set for the remainder of 2020.

Required: To finalize dates for the 2020 Council meeting dates.



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4. REPORTS RECEIVED FOR INFORMATION

- 4.1. Report on New Registrants
No discussion. Provided for information.
- 4.2. Change of Registration Class Report
No discussion. Provided for information.
- 4.3. Report on Facility Changes
No discussion. Provided for information.
- 4.4. Task List
Provided for information.

Council brought up the Personal Use Accounts from the Task List held over from the June 21, 2019 meeting and asked for an update. Dr. Thomas was able to advise that AVP's General Manager, Dr. Garth Graham had not reached out to set a date to speak with Council regarding Personal Use Accounts. The CVBC is receiving cooperation from the AVP person responsible for controlled drug orders.

WDDC has confirmed that they closed down 1 registrant's account due to the ordering of some drugs without being associated with a facility.

5. ADJOURNMENT

5.1 Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday March 6, 2020.

The Open Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

6. FOR THE MINUTES

Pursuant to Bylaws 1.33(3), the open meeting minutes are required to reflect that the Registrar was excluded from a portion of the closed meeting, for the purpose of discussing the Registrar's evaluation process, on the following dates: January 24, 2020 (after the Closed Meeting) and October 11, 2019 (before the Closed Meeting.)