



**WSAVA**  
Global Veterinary Community

**WSAVA Birmingham Assembly Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday April 11, 2012**  
**ICC Birmingham - Hyatt Ballroom**

**Present from WSAVA Executive Board**

President Prof. Jolle Kirpensteijn  
President Elect Prof. Peter Ihrke  
Vice President Prof. Colin Burrows  
Honorary Secretary Dr. Walt Ingwersen  
Honorary Treasurer Dr. Shane Ryan  
Board Member Dr. Siraya Chunekamrai

**1. Welcome by the Presidents** – WSAVA - Professor Jolle Kirpensteijn and BSAVA - Dr. Andrew Ash

**1.1.** Recognition of VIPs/Guests

**1.2.** Appointment of Scrutineers: Drs. Doug Aspros and Gabriel Varga were forwarded and accepted unanimously

**1.3.** Moment of Silence

**1.3.1.** Dr. William F. Jackson

**1.3.2.** Dr. Hans Klaus Dreier

**2. Regrets**

- Prof. Peter Bedford - Past President
- Dr. John Holt - Past President
- Dr. Gary Stamp - VECCS
- Dr. Brian Romberg - Past President
- Dr. Maurice Rose – ISVO
- Dr. Andrew Edney – Past President
- Dr. Claudio Brovida – Past President
- Dr. Cathy Chan – SVA
- Dr. Ariel Saez – SUVEPA
- Dr. Saulius Lauresvicius – LSAVA
- Dr. Seyed Javid Aldavood – ISAVA
- Dr. Arseny Gelasimov - StPVS

**3. Welcome - New Representatives**

- Dr. Kathi Brunner - Switzerland

- Dr. Oron Prager - Israel
- Dr. Gopinathan - Malaysia
- Dr. Jordi Franch - Spain
- Dr. Jim Berry - Canada
- Dr. Takuo Ishida - Japan
- Dr. Makoto Washizu - Japan
- Dr. Mark Shepherd - South Africa
- Dr. Laurel Kaddatz - USA
- Dr. Robert Manko – Slovak Republic
- Dr. Huynh Thi Thanh Ngoc – Vietnam
- Dr. Ushakov Vladen – Ukraine

#### **Termination of Membership**

- Jamaica

#### **4. Attendance, Code of Conduct, and Conflict of Interest Declaration**

The attendance sheet, including declaration of adherence to the WSAVA Code of Conduct and potential Conflict of Interest, was circulated for Assembly Representatives to complete.

Dr. Rene Chalmers Hoyneck van Papendrecht Representative NACAM Netherlands	Dr. Johan Van Tilburg Representative SAVAB Belgium	Dr. Gopinathan Pres/Rep MSAVA Malaysia
Dr. Adriana Lopez Quintana Representative LAVECCS	Dr. Jerzy Gawor Representative PSAVA Poland	Dr. Brooke Niemic President AVD
Dr. Karina Ryborg Pres/Rep DSAVA Denmark	Dr. Ellen Bjerkas Representative NSAVA Norway	Dr. Boyko Georgiev Pres/ Rep BASAV Bulgaria
Dr. Atschi Fellner Representative VOEK Austria	Dr. Laurel Kaddatz Representative AVMA	Dr. Jiri Baranek Representative CSAVA Czech Republic
Dr. Stefano Ramagnoli Representative AIVPA Italy	Dr. Oron Prager Representative ICAVA Israel	Cihangir Dursun President IVSA
Dr. Nicola Neumann Representative VICAS Ireland/ CSC Chair	Dr. Pieter Verhoek 2013 LOC Chair New Zealand	Dr. Linda Jakusenoka Representative LSAPS Latvia
Dr. Jordi Franch Representative AVEPA Spain	Dr. Kevin Stevens 2014 LOC Chair South Africa	Dr. Kathi Brunner Representative SVK Switzerland
Dr. Paulo Steagall Representative IVAPM	Dr. Roger Clarke Representative ASAVA Australia	Dr. Zoe Polizopoulou Representative HVMS Greece
Dr. Mark Shepherd Chairman NVCG South Africa	Dr. Gregg Takashima Representative AAHA United States	Dr. Junghee Yoon Representative KAHA South Korea

Dr. Umesh Karkare Representative FSAPA India	Dr. Lesley Teo Representative SVA Singapore	Dr. Erkut Goren Pres/Rep TSAVA Turkey
Dr. Ferenc Biro Representative HSAVA Hungary	Dr. Lawson Cairns CE Coordinator - Africa	Dr. Abdo Kallasy Representative Lebanon
Dr. Zhensheng Shi Representative BJSABA Beijing	Dr. Geoffrey Chen Representative SHSAVA Shanghai	Dr. Janne Orro Pres/Rep. ESAVA Estonia
Dr. Minna Rinkinen Representative FAVP Finland	Dr. Rick LaCouter Representative NAVC	Dr. Denis Novak Representative Serbia
Dr. Julian Wells Rep. BSAVA United Kingdom/FAC	Dr. Kaywalee Chatdarong President/Rep VPAT Thailand	Dr. Sheila Torres Representative ACVD
Dr. Katia Di Nicolo Representative LAK Luxembourg	Dr. Vivienne Lintott Representative CAS NZVA New Zealand	Dr. Chris Walster Representative WAVMA
Dr. Gert Ter Haar Representative IVENTA	Dr. Yang Ching Yu Pres/Rep Taipei	Dr. Takuo Ishida Representative JBVP Japan
Dr. Ellen van Nierop Representative AMVEPE Ecuador	Prof. Michael Day Chairman SAC,OHC, VGG	Dr. Clement Anthony CE Coordinator Asia
Dr. Carla Chow Representative HKVA Hong Kong	Dr. Andy Sparkes Representative ISFM	Dr. Louis Liu President BJSABA
Dr. Natasa Tozon Pres/Rep SZVMZ Slovenia	Dr. Jim Berry Representative CVMA Canada	Dr. Gabriel Varga WSAVA Past President
Dr. Sereda Ilya Representative RSAVA Russia	Dr. Alexandra Vilen Representative SSAVA Sweden	Dr. Manolita Moore Representative WVC
Dr. Predrag Stojovic Representative Montenegro	Dr. Washizu Makoto Representative SJCAP Japan	Dr. Robert Manko Pres/Rep Slovak Republic
Dr. Peter Fahrenkrug Representative GSAVA Germany	Dr. Jean Francois Rousselot Representative AFVAC France	

- Dr. Gatz Riddell President NAVC
- Dr. Doug Aspros President Elect AVMA
- Dr. Pavel Stellar President CSAVA
- Dr. Anjop Venker-van Haagen
- Dr. Grant Petrie BSAVA Senior Vice President
- Dr. Gizem Taktak TSAVA President Assistant
- Dr. Mark Johnston BSAVA Vice President
- Dr. Simon Orr FECAVA President
- Dr. Asier Basurco AVEPA Guest
- Dr. Barbara Freischem IFAH Membership Applicant
- Dr. Joaquin Aragones Director AVEPA Spain
- Dr. Debbie Osborne FAC Nominee

- Dr. Sereda Sergey RSAVA Guest
- Dr. Clayton MacKay WVC Guest
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## 5. Adoption of the Agenda

### Motion from the Chair: to amend the agenda as tabled to include

- 5.1 FECAVA liaison report to be provided after Agenda Item 9
- 5.2 Leadership and Nomination Committee entered as Agenda Item 10.8
- 5.3 Moment recognition of recent passing of Dr. Hans Otto Schmidtke – after Agenda Item 7

### Motion from the Chair: to adopt the agenda as amended

Seconded Ellen Bjerkås /adopted unanimously

## 6. Adoption of the Jeju 2011 Assembly Minutes

### Motion: to adopt the minutes of the Jeju 2011 Assembly meeting as provided

Seconded Umesh Karkare/adopted unanimously

## 7. Officer's Reports

### **7.1. President** – Prof. Jolle Kirpensteijn (JK)

JK spoke to his report in the Assembly book and asked for questions; there were none.

#### **7.1.1. Presentation of the WSAVA President's Award**

JK presented the WSAVA 2012 President's Award to Prof Anjop Venker-van Haagen, who made a brief speech of thank you.

#### **7.1.2. Recognition and presentation to retiring Animal Welfare Chair and CE Coordinator, Roger Clarke as well as CE Chair David Wadsworth**

#### **7.1.3. Update Kenes Contract**

JK provided an overview of the process to date in finalizing the Kenes PCO contract and signing by both parties. The terms of the agreement are already well underway to implementation.

### **7.2. Honorary Secretary** – Dr. Walt Ingwersen (WI)

WI spoke to his report in the Assembly book and asked for questions; there were none.

### **7.3. Honorary Treasurer** – Dr. Shane Ryan (SR)

#### **7.3.1. Audited Financials 2011**

SR spoke to the auditor's report in the Assembly book and asked for questions; there were none.

### Motion from the Chair: to accept the 2011 audited financial statements as provided by Ward & Uptigrove

Seconded Roger Clarke/adopted unanimously

#### **7.3.1.1. 2011 Audit Management Recommendations**

SR overviewed the three main auditor's recommendations, including

- Development of a cash management strategy – on agenda for FAC recommendations and SR welcomed additional input from the Assembly representatives based on interest expressed on the floor
- Segregation of duties, principally with respect to the mixed responsibilities of the WSAVA administrative assistant and book keeper (receipt of invoices, payment, and record keeping). SR outlined the checks and balances in place to address this issue.

- Original records required for expense claim reimbursement, but scanned or copies acceptable, with original copies to be retained and made available if requested by the WSAVA treasurer or auditor.

All other aspects of the auditor management letter either implemented or in process of being done.

### **7.3.2. 2012 WSAVA Budget**

SR spoke to his report in the Assembly book, highlighting that while the current budget is a deficit budget, this will change once the Kenes contract comes into full implementation in 2014, reiterating the financial security that will result. He asked for questions; there were none.

### **7.3.3. FAC Report – Prof Ellen Bjerkås**

The Financial Advisory Committee (FAC) has consisted of the Hon Treasurer Shane Ryan in a non-voting capacity, Julian Wells, Pieter Verhoek and Ellen Bjerkås (chair). Since the 2011 meeting in Jeju island the FAC has had one teleconference and met face-to face on April 10, one day prior to the 2012 Assembly meeting.

The workload since the meeting in Jeju Island in 2011 has been considerably less than in the previous year, and is reflected in the Auditors' report on the 2011 finances. The Treasurer together with the bookkeeper should be congratulated on their efforts to establish a quality-controlled financial system.

The remarks from the Auditors have been discussed within the FAC and have been explained by the Treasurer. The FAC fully supports the explanations given.

The transfer of finances has been costly for WSAVA. There will be some additional expenses for finalizing the transfer. These will be restricted, and has been supported by the FAC.

The Treasurer and FAC have investigated the possibility of investing WSAVA funding at a higher rate than the normal bank rate. However, low-risk investments are costly, and it may seem that the costs may equal the gain.

At the 2011 meeting the FAC recommendations to the EB were in brief, that overhead from sponsors should be increased from 10 to 12%. This has been carried out, and together with an increase in number of membership associations and therefore membership number, the funding for management of the association has improved. The association is still running on a tight budget, though. The initial 2011 budget was a negative one, and the 2011 end of year general fund shows a slight positive balance over 2010. However, taking into account the mean inflation rate, the end of year funding balance actually shows a slight decrease.

The membership fee per capita is very low, taking into account the high level of WSAVA activities. However, in the present economic situation it is difficult to defend a substantial increase in membership fee, although an annual rise corresponding to the mean inflation rate has been recommended by FAC and has been carried out. The FAC recommends to continue this procedure and also to look into increasing the membership fee above the inflation rate.

The FAC is concerned that some of the member countries have still not paid their outstanding dues. A matter of concern is also a possible underreporting of number of

members in some member associations. Both these factors contribute to less funding for WSAVA activities, and the FAC recommends that these matters should be followed closely.

The FAC is satisfied that the WSAVA Foundation finances, although with little movement in the account, have also been audited. The FAC remarks that a total unbudgeted transfer of WSAVA Foundation donations of \$9,213 and secretarial help for the Foundation worth \$1,103 from WSAVA has been carried out. It may seem that guidelines may be needed for handling unbudgeted expenses above a certain amount of money. The FAC recommends that unbudgeted expenses more than \$6000 should be discussed with FAC before spent.

On this year's invoice from WSAVA to member associations a donation to the WSAVA Foundation was suggested. This may be in competition with the WSAVA need for funding of CE activities. The FAC has some concerns that donations to the WSAVA foundation may reduce the donations to the WSAVA earmarked for continuing educations.

The contract with the Kenes Company has been signed. Hopefully the change in congress funding will lead to increased income for WSAVA, turning a deficit budget, as in 2012 and 2013 into a plus budget from 2014 an onwards. The financial negotiations with the Kenes Company will have to be followed closely in the years to come. The above mentioned contract hopefully will result in a surplus that can be spent on WSAVA activities, and a strategy for the future of WSAVA should be worked out. This should be done by the Strategic committee and the planning and progression overseen by the FAC.

Shortly after the Jeju meeting, Pieter Verhoek decided to resign from the FAC due to other obligations. Pieter should be thanked for his active contribution within the FAC for several years. An inquiry for candidates to the committee brought two names, Deborah Osborne from ASAVA and Mark Shepherd from the NVCG-SAVA. Both would make a valuable contribution to the committee and also ensure continuity. The FAC and EB therefore recommend a slight change in the Terms of Reference, to allow one more member on the committee.

In order to harmonize the committees terms of office, the following changes to the TOR is recommended: The maximum term of office for FAC Chairman or committee member is 2 terms, each of 3 years ' duration.

The composition of the Committee will be: Treasurer in a non-voting capacity. At least three individuals from Assembly Member Association(s), one of whom serves as Chair of the committee Other WSAVA EB members may choose to attend or be invited to attend.

#### **7.3.3.1. Revised Terms of Reference (see above)**

#### **7.3.3.2. FAC Membership**

##### **Motion from the Chair: to re-elect Ellen Bjerås as Chair of the FAC**

Seconded Roger Clarke/adopted unanimously

##### **Motion: to accept Deborah Osborne (ASAVA) as member**

Seconded Roger Clarke/adopted unanimously

##### **Motion: to accept Mark Shepherd (SAVA) as a member**

Seconded Roger Clarke/adopted unanimously

#### **7.3.4. Nomination and acceptance of WSAVA auditor**

**Motion: to re-appoint Ward & Uptigrove to be the WSAVA auditor for 2012**

Seconded Umesh Karkare/adopted unanimously

**Motion: to accept the Honorary Treasurer's report**

Seconded Roger Clarke/adopted unanimously

**Motion: to accept the Officers' and FAC reports**

Seconded Adriana Lopez Quintana/adopted unanimously

**7.3.5. 2009 Transactional Review and Australian undertaking** - Update: in camera

SR provided an update of implementing the motion adopted by the Assembly during the Jeju Assembly meeting and entertained questions.

As per the amended agenda as adopted, Dr. Peter Fahrenkrug provided a brief memorial, on behalf of the GSAVA, on the recent passing of Hans-Otto Schmidtke.

**8. Strategic Plan** - Prof Colin Burrows (CB)

CB reviewed the main questions for tomorrow's Strategic Planning Sessions, namely:

- Review and comment of WSAVA re-branding initiatives to date
- Discussion on current membership application procedure with consideration to update
- Financial strategic planning – considerations for managing the WSAVA financial surplus anticipated as a result of the Kenes contract

The meeting logistics were reviewed, all Assembly representatives invited to attend, and the meeting minutes were to be distributed for member association consideration post hoc.

**8.1. WSAVA SWOT analysis**

CB spoke to this report in the Assembly book and asked for questions; there were none

**8.2. Report from the 2011 Planning Meeting**

CB spoke to his report in the Assembly book and asked for questions; there were none

**9. WSAVA Foundation**

Dr. Larry Dee provided a brief update on the Foundation activities since the previous Assembly meeting. While Foundation aspirations were high, resources (both financial and human) were impeding quick progress. Additionally, there was confusion over the Foundation's raison d'être and the roles between WSAVA and WSAVA Foundation were needing clarification. These items were to be addressed at an upcoming Foundation membership meeting. LD overview the auditor's report, providing details on income and money dispersal, with the later primarily associated with administrative costs and the transfer of dedicated funds to the One Health Committee. Various fund raising efforts were overviewed, including the implementation of a 5 km run at upcoming WSAVA Congresses.

As per the amended agenda as adopted, Dr. Jerzy Gawor and Simon Orr brought greetings and updates from FECAVA.

**10. Committee Reports**

**10.1. Congress Steering Committee** – Dr. Nicola Neumann (NN)

NN introduced the new members of the CSC, stressing their regional diversity and representation of the three, global regions where Congress bids will be sought on a rotating basis. Over the past year, the CSC has worked on a number of key issues:

- Reviewed 2016 bids and made a recommendation (see Agenda Item 13.6).



- Reviewed and rewrote the WSAVA website Congress pages to reflect the new committee and adopted Congress SOPs
- Reviewed and revised the Congress Host Bidding document to reflect issues raised at the Jeju Assembly meeting
- Developed a bid timelines document for Central Secretariat host bidding association guidance
- Revised host bid assessment formula for assessment, that proposes to weight bid information as 30% for benefits to WSAVA (“business strengths), 30% for regional host benefits, and 40% for local host initiatives that engage the region in the Congress and attendees in the region
- In the process of developing a Congress and PCO performance evaluation process
- Begin 2017 Congress calls for bids process

#### **10.2. Scientific Advisory Committee – Professor Michael Day**

Report from Assembly book tabled for questions; there were none.

#### **10.3. One Health Committee– Professor Michael Day**

Report from Assembly book tabled for questions; there were none.

#### **10.4. Continuing Education Committee Report – Dr. David Wadsworth (DW)**

##### **10.4.1. Brief Overview of WSAVA CE activities**

##### **10.4.2. Sponsor Meeting Minutes**

##### **10.4.3. CE Financials**

DW spoke to his reports in the Assembly book, introduced and thanked regional CE coordinators, and recognized sponsors – both associations and industry. He asked for questions; there were none.

#### **10.5. Animal Wellness & Welfare Committee**

Report from Assembly book tabled for questions; there were none.

#### **10.6. Hereditary Defects Committee – Prof. Urs Giger**

Report from Assembly book tabled for questions; there were none.

#### **10.7. Public Relations Committee – Dr. Siraya Chunekamrai (SC)**

SC provided an overview of the current PR committee membership, vision, mission, and goals, exemplified by the phrase “let’s start talking”.

Vision: WSAVA becomes **visible**, **relevant** and **makes a difference** to members, the global veterinary community and public

Mission:

- To publicize WSAVA activities, its related committees and projects to members and the public
- To create a communication flow between and among WSAVA board, WSAVA committees/projects and members
- To create a presence and relevance of WSAVA to our members
- To make WSAVA activities available to members

Goals:

- Collate all activities of WSAVA into an annual PR calendar and see that WSAVA activity news is generated on a regular basis
- Improve the reach of our current PR outlets to both members and the public
- Develop and utilize a network of outside service providers, budget permitting, to maximize committee efforts
- Improve our presence in the marketplace, specifically pertaining to the World Congress
- Devise a communication strategy that is continually reviewed and modified for maximum success,



- Devise marketing tools to make WSAVA and WSAVA activities relevant and available to members
- Develop, maintain, and implement a WSAVA style guide
- Ensure all PR activities are unified under WSAVA branding – outsourced or in house, centralized or decentralized (committees doing own website, member association language translations, WSAVA brand on committee banners, etc.).

SC encouraged all interested members to join the PR committee meeting this coming Friday.

#### **10.7.1. Terms of Reference**

Report from Assembly book tabled for questions; there were none.

#### **10.7.2. Rebecca George Report**

Report from Assembly book tabled for questions; there were none.

#### **10.7.3. Branding and Style Guide** - Prof Colin Burrows (CB)

CB briefly presented the outcome of the re-branding exercise recently undertaken by the WSAVA Executive Board and facilitated by Kenes. It will be the core of the Strategic Planning sessions with input welcome.

#### **10.7.4. Website** - Dr. Walt Ingwersen (WI)

WI spoke to his report in the Assembly book and reminded Assembly Representatives of the value of timely association reports. He also asked for any copies of Congress Proceedings and WSAVA-related pictures to begin a historical archive. He asked for questions; there were none.

### **10.8. Leadership and Nomination Committee – Dr. David Wadsworth (DW)**

DW overviewed the goals of this committee made all the more relevant for both succession planning and identification of a capable and willing volunteer pool to assist the WSAVA in accomplishing its growing list of initiatives.

Objectives

- To identify the qualities required for persons representing WSAVA on the Board and in Committee Chair positions.
- To identify persons with these qualities and present a short list to the Board and Assembly at the appropriate time
- To identify suitable candidates for the WSAVA Hill's Excellence in Veterinary Healthcare Award and present a short list to the Board
- Committee persons will be chosen representing all geographical areas, language groupings and voting groups of the WSAVA

The committee is in the process of being struck with the intent of being fully functional within the next 2-3 months.

#### **Motion from the Chair: to accept the Foundation and committee chairs as submitted**

Seconded Roger Clarke/adopted unanimously

#### **Motion from the Chair: to accept the committee reports as provided**

Seconded Roger Clarke/adopted with one abstention

## **11. Standardization Reports**

### **11.1. Renal**

Report from Assembly book tabled for questions; there were none

- 11.2. V5/Nutritional Guidelines** – Dr. Clayton MacKay  
Report from Assembly book tabled for questions; there were none
- 11.3. Vaccine Guidelines Group** – Prof. Michael Day  
Report from Assembly book tabled for questions; there were none
- 11.4. Global Pain Council** – Prof. Karol Mathews  
Report from Assembly book tabled for questions; there were none

**Motion: to accept the standardization reports as submitted**

Seconded Umesh Karkare/adopted unanimously

**12. Executive Board Nominations & Elections**

**12.1. President** - Prof. Peter Ihrke

**Motion: to accept Prof Peter Ihrke as President**

Seconded Umesh Karkare/adopted unanimously

**12.2. President Elect** - Prof. Colin Burrows

**Motion: to accept Prof. Colin Burrows as President Elect**

Seconded Umesh Karkare/adopted unanimously

**12.3. Vice President** - Dr. Walt Ingwersen and Dr. Adriana Lopez Quintana

**12.3.1. Dr. Walt Ingwersen CV** - Nominated by the WSAVA Executive Board

**12.3.1.1.** Letter of intent

**12.3.2. Dr. Adriana Lopez Quintana CV** -nominated by LAVECCS

**12.3.2.1.** Letter of Intent

Brief presentations were held and the candidates asked for questions; there were none.

A secret balloted vote was held and Walt Ingwersen was declared the new WSAVA Vice President

**12.4. Honorary Secretary** – Dr. Siraya Chunekamrai

**Motion: to accept Siraya Chunekamrai as Honorary Secretary**

Seconded Adriana Lopez Quintana/adopted unanimously

**12.5. Past President** - Prof. Jolle Kirpensteijn - Automatic

**13. Congress Reports and Bids**

**13.1. Post Jeju 2011**– Dr. Junhgee Yoon

Dr Yoon made a brief presentation based on his Assembly book report; he asked for questions and there were none

**13.2. Birmingham 2012** - Dr. Julian Wells on behalf of Dr. John Williams

Dr. Wells provided an update on the 2012 Congress, indicating that it was on track to be a record-breaking year. He provided a brief update on the various key scientific and social events. He asked for questions and there were none.

**13.3. Auckland New Zealand 2013** – Dr. Pieter Verhoek

Dr. Verhoek made a brief presentation based on his Assembly book report, indicating that sponsorship was 60% filled; he asked for questions and there were none

**13.4. Cape Town, South Africa 2014** – Dr. Kevin Stevens

Dr Stevens made a brief presentation based on his Assembly book report; he asked for questions and there were none

### **13.5. Bangkok Thailand 2015 - Dr. Kaywalee Chatdarong**

Dr. Chatdarong made a brief presentations highlighting progress made since bid acceptance at last year's Assembly meeting. The dates have been established as May 18-25, 2015. The Congress is supported by 6 veterinary colleges and the Thailand Veterinary Association VPAT has many regional ties and activities including being instrumental in the development of the Asian Board of Veterinary Specialties. The local host committee will hold a regional meeting during the VPAT Regional Veterinary Congress this May to invite representatives from neighbouring countries to form a scientific panel for WSAVA 2015 She asked for questions and there were none.

#### **Motion: to accept the Congress committee reports as submitted/presented**

Seconded by Gabriel Varga/adopted unanimously

### **13.6. Congress 2016 recommendation**

#### **13.6.1. Bids received from NAVC/AAHA CSC recommendation**

NN spoke to the CSC's recommendation as provided in her report. She reiterated that there was only one bid received and that it met all of the requirements as set out in the bid SOPs and By-Laws. Both AAHA and NAVC were long-standing WSAVA members in good standing with a proven track record of staging successful Congresses/Conferences. As part of the host bid, scaled registration would be implemented to take into account an international delegate means.

#### **13.6.2. EB recommendation**

JK spoke to the Executive Board's recommendation as provided in the Assembly book

#### **Motion from the Chair: that the WSAVA 2016 World Congress venue be awarded based on the recommendation of the Congress Steering Committee and the endorsement of the WSAVA Executive Board**

Seconded Roger Clarke/there was no discussion from the floor/adopted unanimously

### **13.7. WSAVA Member Association Reports – received by Assembly book distribution time & to be posted [www.wsava.org](http://www.wsava.org)**

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| • Australia - ASAVA             | • Korea – KAHA             |
| • Albania - AChVS               | • Lithuania – LSAVA        |
| • Beijing (China) – BJSAVA      | • Malaysia – MSAVA         |
| • Bosnia & Herzegovina – BHSAVA | • Montenegro – MASAP       |
| • Bulgaria – BASAVA             | • Netherlands – NACAM      |
| • Czech Republic – CSAVA        | • New Zealand – NZVA-CAS   |
| • Denmark – DSAVA               | • Norway – NSAVA           |
| • Ecuador – AMVEPE              | • Poland – PSAVA           |
| • Estonia – ESAVA               | • Russia – RSAVA           |
| • Finland - FAVP                | • Serbia – SASAP           |
| • France – AFVAC                | • Shanghai – SHSAVA        |
| • Greece - HVMS                 | • Singapore – SVA          |
| • India – FSAPAI                | • Slovak Republic – SkSAVA |
| • Ireland – VICAS               | • South Africa – SAVA      |
| • Israel – ICAVA                | • Spain – AVEPA            |
| • Italy – AIVPA                 | • Sri Lanka – SCAPSL       |
| • Japan - JBVP                  | • St. Petersburg – SPVS    |
| • Japan – SJCAP                 | • Sweden – SSAVA           |

- Switzerland – SVK
- Thailand – VPAT
- United Kingdom - BSAVA
- USA – AAHA
- USA – AVMA
- Vietnam – VSAVA
- ACVD
- ISVO
- ISFM
- IVAPM
- IVENTA
- LAVECCS
- NAVC
- VECCs
- WAVMA

## 14. **New member applications**

### 14.1. **Full Membership**

#### 14.1.1. Clinician Veterinary Medical Association of Turkey (CVMA)

Dr. Akif Demirel presented the CVMA application for full WSAVA membership. A number of questions were raised from the floor, including age and official status of association, why duplication in national membership, number of shared members, whether or not cooperative discussions were held between the two associations, and what the CVMA would bring to the WSAVA. The TSAVA representative indicated it was their desire to work cooperatively, however this offer was not acted upon.

**Motion by Roger Clarke: that TSAVA and CVMA be given until the next WSAVA Assembly meeting to discuss cooperative representation of their members and WSAVA membership.**

Seconded Umesh Karkare – carried with 9 abstentions and 3 votes against

**Motion David Wadsworth: If an agreement cannot be reached, the CVMA membership application would be reconsidered at a future Assembly meeting (earliest New Zealand). If reapplication took place, it would be heard based on the process in place for membership applications in force today.**

Seconded by Nicola Neumann/ carried with 3 abstentions

#### 14.1.2. Belarusian Republic Small Animal Veterinary Association (BELSAVA)

Dr. Barabash Siarhei presented the BELSAVA application for full membership, with Dr. Sereda Ilya (RSAVA representative) acting as translator. He also expressed RSAVA support for their membership.

**Motion from the Chair: to accept the BELSAVA application for full WSAVA membership**

Seconded Siraya Chunekamrai/adopted unanimously

### 14.2. **Affiliate Membership**

#### 14.2.1. International Federation for Animal Health

Barbara Freischem presented the IFAH application for affiliate membership. A number of questions were raised, including exact role with industry members, potential for conflict of interest, and reason for joining. IFAH primary focus is evidence-based science as the foundation for governmental decision-making within the animal health industry and equally implemented. As such, the IFAH is not involved in any defined commercial activities, is a not-for-profit entity, yet lobbies on behalf of companies that are involved in small animal care representing over 40% of the animal health marketplace.

Some discussion ensued on whether this met our By-Laws and how this would be viewed by our current sponsors.

**Motion from Chair: to accept the IFAH application for WSAVA affiliate membership**

Seconded Ellen Bjerkas/adopted with 8 abstentions and 12 voting against

**15. Association Liaison Reports**

**15.1. FECAVA** (presented in the morning)

**16. New Business**

There was none raised.

**17. Next meeting & adjournment – Tuesday March 5, 2013 Auckland, New Zealand**