New members

**PrideVMC**

The Membership and Nomination Committee (MNC) feels that PrideVMC should also be accepted as an Affiliate Member. It meets the requirements of being legally established in at least one country for at least three years, having a minimum membership of 50 members, having clear objectives and goals, having an effective way of communicating to their members, and being active and showing annual activities in a report.

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**World Association for Veterinary Dermatology**

The MNC supports the request for WAVD to join WSAVA as an Affiliate Member.

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**Albanian Veterinary Society**

The MNC supports this request by the AVS to become an Associate Member. We are glad that they were able to support their Small Animal section veterinarians.

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**Colmevet - Colegio Médico Veterinario de Chile A.G.**

The MNC supports Colmevet Chile’s request to become an Associate Member.
Membership category changes

**Burundi Small Animal Veterinary Association**

The MNC supports the move of ABMVAC to become a General Member. From what they submitted they would need a waiver of the required number of members by the Assembly.

The MNC wanted to note that they seem to be working hard to improve animal welfare and support their members. Quite an effort, and their journey should inspire other small, new associations.

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**Member By-Law Exemption Applications**

**Association Scientific Veterinary Council of Cuba**

The MNC recommendation to the Assembly is for Cuba to be given an additional one-year extension as an Associate Member. This is based on the discussions that they are still having some difficulties with the mechanism to pay the dues to become a General Member because of Cuba's status with regard to global financial banking. We were told that getting the amount of money necessary to pay the dues would be able to be accomplished within a year.

**Council of the Association of Veterinary Medicine and Veterinary Technicians of Haiti**

The MNC supports the extension of AMVE-Haiti. Whether it is for the 2 years requested (based on the one year extension last year) or three years that is normally granted, is a decision for the Assembly.

**Ghana Private Veterinary Surgeons Association**

The MNC supports the extension of Ghana.

**Caribbean Veterinary Medical Association**

The MNC supports the extension of Caribbean Veterinary Medical Association. Whether it is for the 2 years requested (based on the one year extension last year) or three years that is normally granted, is a decision for the Assembly.

**Egyptian Small Animal Veterinary Association**

The MNC supports the extension request of the ESAVA.

**Botswana Veterinary Association**

The MNC supports BVA Botswana’s request to extend their Associate Member status. They, like all extended members, should provide WSAVA with a written plan for moving to become a General Member.

**Kosovo Small Animal Veterinary Association**

The MNC has discussed this request and based on the situation in Kosovo, we recommend that they be granted a three year extension.

**Sociedad Venezolana de Medicos Veterinarios en Pequenos Animales (Venezuela)**

The majority of the MNC supports the extension of the Venezuela association for two additional years based on the issues they are facing in their country.