



Minutes of the teleconference meeting (TC) of the WSAVA Executive Board (EB)

June 15th, 2023

The meeting was held via Zoom with Ellen Van Nierop as Chair.

Present

Ellen van Nierop (EvN)	President
Siraya Chunekamrai	Past President
Oscar Umana (OU)	Honorary Treasurer
Jim Berry (JB)	Board Member
Jerzy Gawor (from 30 minute)	Board Member
Felisbina Queiroga	Board Member
Nalinika Obeyesekere	Board Member
Richard Casey (RC)	WSAVA Secretariat

The meeting was called to order at **12:05 GMT** by EvN.

1. Consent Agenda

- 1.1. May Executive Board Minutes
- 1.2. Report from Act Asia Train the Trainer Activity in China
- 1.3. Tender for Communications Strategy and Website Relaunch
- 1.4. President's Award 2023
- 1.5. Meritorious Service Award 2023
- 1.6. One Health Award 2023
- 1.7. Future Leader Award 2023

2. Standing Reports

2.1. 2024 Sponsorship (RC)

RC shared an update with the EB regarding current sponsorship partners of the WSAVA. Additionally, the EB reviewed a list of the split of sponsors & committees supported by them. The EB discussed increasing the sponsorship pool and how to best address the need of the WSAVA community vs the desire for bespoke activities by the potential sponsors.

2.2. Finance update (OU)

OU updated the EB that at this current stage, the WSAVA is at underspending. Additionally, there are quite a few associations still lagging in payments, with a round of reminders set to be sent out by end of June.

3. Operations update

3.1. CLDO

(RC)

RC updated the EB that Debbie Pearsall will commence working full time for the WSAVA starting from the 2023 world congress in Lisbon.

3.2. Membership requests

The small animal chapter of the Albanian Animal Veterinary Association have applied to join the WSAVA as an associate member. The EB discussed the requirement of 3 years for associate members to exist prior to joining the WSAVA and confirmed the request comes from the need of viability proof.

The EB clarified that if the parent veterinary organization has been formed more than 3 years, the request should come from that party and it is not the WSAVA's concern if the membership is then delegated to the small animal chapter.

It was agreed that MNC will reach out to the applying member to clarify the process.

RC also updated the EB that the Iran Small Animal Chapter that was removed from membership due to non payment, has reached out and wishes to resume membership following payment of their current debt.

3.3. Use of Member Association pages on Website

(EvN)

The EB discussed the request from several member associations to promote association related news on the WSAVA website (ie – share with the membership).

The EB discussed the need for clear guidelines with emphasis on veterinary related updated. It was also agreed that any member communication channels would be handled and analysed by the new communication strategy.

The EB agreed that further review of the social media SOP is required in order to come up with the appropriate way for member associations to update the membership.

Action: RC to review the social media SOP and report back to the EB with proposed path

3.4. Professional Congress Organiser tender

The Kenes contract has been extended by a year (due to the gap year created by the local China PCO contract).

**Motion: to commence the tender for new PCO on 3rd quarter of 2024.
All in Favor.**

3.5. Board Member nominations 2023

The EB reviewed the nominations received for new executive board member.

Consent agenda was approved by all.

Next EB TC set for July 20th, 2023.