



World Association for the History of Veterinary Medicine

**General Assembly Meeting
Saturday 13. September 2014
10.10-11.30
Imperial College
London, United Kingdom**

Minutes

1 Welcome and opening comments by the Co-Presidents.

2 Preliminaries

Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted

Announcements

Peter Koolmees informed the delegates that two members of the association, Ernst-Heinrich Lochmann and Angela von den Driesch, had passed away. The announcement was followed by a minute of silence

Johann Schaeffer had informed that he could not attend the General Assembly

3 Ratification of the minutes of the General Assembly held in Utrecht on 24. August 2012

In the absence of the treasurer Peter Koolmees gave a brief overview of the financial status. The economy of WAHVM is good. Furthermore, some national associations have not paid their annual dues. Most of the expenses have been used to establish the new website.

The financial report had been audited and signed by Peter Paulsen (Vienna)

The WAHVM financial report was adopted

4 Adoption of Budget for 2014 and 2015

The dues are as follows: 50 or less active members: 4 Euro, 51-100 active members: 3 Euro and more than 100 active members 2 Euro.

The WAHVM budget for 2014 and 2015 was adopted.

5 Young Scholar Awards

Seven essays were assessed this year, all of good quality. The three winners were:

James Stark, UK, Rebecca Kaplan, USA and Floor Haalboom, The Netherlands.

Young scholar awards are a good way of recruiting young scientists to our association, and good candidates should be encouraged to apply.

6 Future International Congresses.

The 42nd congress will be held in Vienna (Austria), July 27-30 2016. The oral presentation of Daniela Haarmann was followed by a video accompanied by music.

The 43nd congress will be in Brno (Czech Republic) in 2018.

South Africa might be a possible candidate for the 44nd congress in 2020.

7 Election of President, Vice-president and Treasurer.

Only delegates of WAHVM were allowed to vote. 36 delegates were present.

The results of the election were as follows:

President: Abigail Woods (UK), 36 votes

Vice-president: Joaquin Sanchez de Lollano Prieto (Spain), 31 votes

Treasurer: Tijmen van de Vuurst (the Netherlands), 34 votes

8 Composition of the Board and the Liaison Committee

The composition of the new Board and Liaison Committee is presented as an attachment.

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9 International Bourgelat Committee

Professor Jean-Francois Chary gave a short presentation of the committee

10 Closing remarks

The Co-presidents, Peter Koolmees who had served in the position for 10 years and Susan Jones who had been co-president for 6 years, expressed thanks for good years as presidents of WAHVM.

The new President, Abigail Woods, thanked the General Assembly for giving her confidence. She promised to work for further development of WAHVM.

Tim Cox, the British Veterinary History Society, thanked everybody who had contributed to a successful congress. The organizers had worked together as a team and have done a great job. He mentioned three persons who had been crucial for the success, the treasurer in the organizing committee, Robin Bone, Angela Cassidy and the head of the organizing committee, Abigail Woods. Finally, he thanked the sponsors, the WAHVM and the delegates.

Attachment

Composition of the Board after the election at the General Assembly in London

Abigail Woods, President (United Kingdom)
 Joaquin Sanchez de Lollano Prieto, Vice-president (Spain)
 Tijmen van de Vuurst, Treasurer (The Netherlands)
 Roar Gudding, Secretary (Norway)
 Susan D. Jones, Past-President (United States)
 Peter Koolmees, Past-President (The Netherlands)
 Myung-Sun Chung, At-large Board Member (South Korea)
 Tamay Basagac Gül, At-Large Board Member (Turkey)
 Johann Schäffer, At-large Board Member (Germany)
 Daniela Haarmann, Representing Local Organizing Committee (Austria 2014-2016)

Composition of the Liaison Committee:

Christian Stanek (Austria)
 Pavel Brauner (Czech Republic)
 Kurt Jensen (Denmark)
 Ilkka Alitalo (Finland)
 Christoph Degueurce (France)
 Siegfried Graf (Germany)
 Péter Sotönyi (Hungary)
 Juna Yasuda (Japan)
 Miguel Márquez (Mexico)
 Robert Back (The Netherlands)
 Roar Gudding (Norway)
 Joaquin Sanchez de Lollano Prieto (Spain)
 Daan Verwoerd (South Africa)
 Myung Sun Chung (South Korea)
 Stephen Häsler (Switzerland)
 Tamay Basagac Gül (Turkey)
 Lesley Ann Gentry (United States)
 Naudy Trujillo Mascia (Venezuela)

Ivan Katić (Denmark, WAHVM member)
 John O. Broberg (UK, WAHVM member)
 Guus Mathijssen (The Netherlands, Honorary President)
 Paul Leeflang (The Netherlands, Hon. Member)