

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

-Kati Martin, CVT

Whew! We made it again; another year gone and another year of success. I want to extend a huge THANK YOU to all of the board members that have worked so hard to keep this association going. Especially Nanette Walker Smith, she is the unsung hero of this whole operation. I am very excited to see how far the association has come as well as where it is headed.

The incoming board is on their way to do a fantastic job this next year. They are a strong, intelligent group of people and I am very excited to turn the reins over to Tom Page as the President of 2017. He will help the association grow even more, I am sure.

I want to thank you all for your patience once again as we experience the recent Secretary change-up. Karen is starting to get her feet under her with all of the daunting paperwork involved with that position.

Best wishes to all and a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

## President Elect Message

Tom Page, AAS, CVT

Happy Holidays to all of the WYVTA members!

With the holidays upon us and the New Year around the corner, there are some changes in the works.

I would like to introduce myself to everyone. My name is Tom Page. I have been elected by the board to take Kati Martin's place as President in 2017. I graduated from Bel Rea Institute of Animal Technology in March 1995 and passed the VTNE in June of 1995. I have been employed as a Certified Veterinary Technician at the same facility in Casper, Wyoming since June 1995. My wife's name is Tracy, daughter's name is Samantha, son-in-law is Kris, granddaughter is Amathyst, and grandson is Domanic. I have been a member of the Colorado Association of Veterinary Technicians since 1995, and I've been an active member in the Wyoming Association for 3 years. I will be starting to "track" for my Veterinary Technician Specialty in Dentistry this January.

I would like to thank Kati for all she has done during her tenure as our Association President and wish her the best. I would also like to thank everyone who has helped by holding an office during the last year.

Our first meeting of 2017 will be set with a link on the website (<http://www.wyvta.org/homepage.pml>) under calendar of events with a link to the meeting room. Hope to "see you there"

**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all!**

Tom Page AAS, CVT

Wyoming Veterinary Technician Association

President Elect. 2017

## Website Updates:

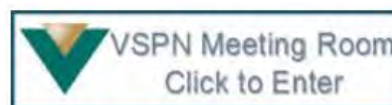
Jackie Van Noy, CVT

The newly adopted amendments and revisions are now on our website. **Our WyVTA Constitution and Bylaws can always be found on the website here:** <http://www.wyvta.org/bylaws.pml>

## Monthly Membership Meetings – ONLINE:

**NEXT MEETING is January 8**

*Look for the banner below on the VSPN Chat page*



**You are invited to our WyVTA Meetings, open to all members and prospective members, the first Sunday of the month (unless otherwise noted) at 8pm Mountain Time** online at [www.vspn.org](http://www.vspn.org) > click CHAT on the navigation bar and login with your [VSPN.org](http://www.vspn.org) user/pass > click the button or the hyperlink to join the meeting: <http://www.vin.com/Members/Unity3/Unity.plx?R=VSPNMEET>

## SECRETARY and MEMBERSHIP

-Karen Nail, CVT

We also have the 2017 membership applications and certification applications available on the website as well as in this newsletter.

**REMEMBER that we are going to BIENNIAL membership effective January 1, 2017.**

Be sure to read the TOP of the membership applications for instructions. Membership renewal will match certification, if you certify, OR, if you are not certified, your membership renewal will match the year you first became a member. Check your membership card for your renewal date and then select the appropriate membership renewal (one or two year) based on that.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

-Karen Schutt, CVT

**November/December**

**Opening Balance: \$13,429.11 (as of 10/10/16)**

### Expenses:

Jackie Van Noy, Nov web, check #1138, \$49.00

Karalarae Lawrence, Scholarship winner, check #1139, \$500.00

Jackie Van Noy, Dec web, check #1140, \$49.00

### Income:

None

**Closing Balance: \$12,831.11**

## JOB OPENINGS:

**Lifetime Small Animal Hospital in beautiful Cody, Wyoming is currently looking for a new veterinary technician staff member. Technicians work full-time Mon thru Fri, with a rotating on call for after-hours emergencies, and some Saturdays when on call.**

**If you are interested and qualified for the position, please submit your resume to [dvm@ltsahosp.com](mailto:dvm@ltsahosp.com), or if in the Cody area, bring your resume to 2627 Big Horn Ave.**

**For questions regarding the position please call 307-587-4324.**

## MINUTES

**November 6, 2016**

**Kati Martin:** I will call the meeting to order and we can get started with any old news. Do we have any old news to cover?

**Tom Page:** Karen Schutt is in Chicago.

**Melanie Beardsley:** I did want to check in and make sure we got the check to the scholarship recipient.

**Kati Martin:** Karen will get the check sent to the scholarship recipient as soon as she gets home from Pennsylvania.

**Nanette Walker Smith:** I sent the revisions for the applications to Karen Nall. I think I got everything covered.

**Kati Martin:** Thank you to Nanette for getting the newsletters out and published so well!

**Nanette Walker Smith:** You are welcome :) I also emailed Karen Nall about a person who called me about her membership/certification and forwarded the information to Karen. Hoping that's handled, as I have not heard either way - cc'd you Kati.

**Kati Martin:** Yes, I did get that also. I have sent several people her way and not heard anything; hoping she has handled them all as needed.

**Nanette Walker Smith:** So with Karen Schutt out - we'll forego a treasurer's report this month?

**Kati Martin:** Yes ma'am.

**Nanette Walker Smith:** I need to get the updated CBs to everyone on the current board for signature and the copy on file to Jackie to load to the website.

**Kati Martin:** Can we do it like last time and just pre address several envelopes and go down the list as we get the next person done?

**Nanette Walker Smith:** For the signatures - yep, that's my plan.

**Kati Martin:** Excellent

**Cambria Harmon:** Mel - did you get my email with the scholarship check list?

**Melanie Beardsley:** I'll have to look.

**Nanette Walker Smith:** I think membership applications (one 1 year and one 2 year) and certification application are ready to go. Each spells out what the time frame of the application is. Mailing is to Karen Nall's

home to help speed up processing. I'll send them on to Jackie to post on the website. Can we wait until December - just after our meeting on the 4th for the next newsletter?

**Kati Martin:** I see no problem with that, Nanette. In speaking with Karen Schutt, she has said that her husband took a job promotion moving them back to Chicago the middle of spring. This means we will have to find a new President to elect.

**Discussion ensued on election process to replace the 2017 President Elected**

**Nanette Walker Smith: I move to elect Tom Page for President for 2017.**

**Melanie Beardsley: I second the move for Tom for President.**

**Tom Page: I accept.**

**Kati Martin: Unanimously passed. Motion passes. Tom Page is our new 2017 President.** You will do great, Tom.

**Tom Page:** Thank you all for your encouragements.

**Cambria Harmon:** I think you'll do great, Tom. I can happily fill in the member at large position too. I think I'm just currently on the scholarship committee.

**Nanette Walker Smith: I nominate Cambria Harmon for MAL to replace Tom for 2017.**

**Melanie Beardsley: I second**

**Kati Martin: Opposed? Motion passes. Cambria Harmon is our new Member-At-Large for 2017; thank you and congrats!!**

**Cambria Harmon:** Thanks guys

**Kati Martin:** You guys ROCK!!! This was much easier than the meeting in September.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Thank you for staying involved, Cambria.

**Kati Martin:** Do we have any other news for the evening?

**Melanie Beardsley:** I have a couple of things from NAVTA. They are asking as many as possible take the following survey regarding National Credentialing. There is one survey link for NAVTA members and one for non-members when you go to the following

page: <http://www.navta.net/?page=VeterinaryNurse>

**Kati Martin:** We should probably get this out via Facebook and our website?

**Nanette Walker Smith:** We can send an email as well; as soon as the applications are up as well. Mel - do you know how long the survey will be open?

**Melanie Beardsley:** The email I got did not have an expiration date on it.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Also, they are doing another leadership meeting in Chicago January 12th. I'm not sure how great you thought last years was Kati? Official invitations have not been sent yet. I just got the "save the date" card. Wasn't sure if we wanted to try to send anyone this year or not?

**Kati Martin:** It wasn't terrible; definitely seemed more driven towards new vet school graduates, though. Maybe send Tom and Cambria.

**Tom Page:** Do you know the dates?

**Cambria Harmon:** I have to check with work. Can you forward me the email, Mel? I am totally willing to go; just have to clear the dates with work :) I just need to put the dates in ASAP to get it off.

**Nanette Walker Smith:** Would be a good idea to send Tom and Cambria too if she's willing.... spread the knowledge wealth if we can.

**Tom Page:** I am willing to go.

**Kati Martin:** The dates are January 12-14, 2017.

**Nanette Walker Smith: Motion that WyVTA sends Tom and Cambria to the NAVTA leadership conference January 12-14, 2017 in Chicago, pending their schedule allowance. Airfare, hotel, and per diem not to exceed \$1500.00 each.**

**Cambria Harmon: I second if I can.**

**Kati Martin: Thank you everyone. Motion passes, pending scheduling at work. We will send Tom and Cambria to Chicago for the AVMA leadership conference. Good luck you two! Learn lots and have fun :)**

**Tom Page:** The trip is for flight, motel, and food?

**Kati Martin:** Yes, Tom. Once you get your flight/motel, we can get you reimbursed and then can cover food/taxis when you get back.

**Tom Page:** Ok

**Cambria Harmon:** Cool

**Kati Martin:** Just will have to send Karen Schutt copies of your receipts.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* \*\* Need to make sure Karen gets a move on training Aaron for Treasurer but quick!!!

**Kati Martin:** Next meeting December 4th Thank you all!!!! Have a great month!

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Motion to adjourn.

*Cambria Harmon:* I second

**Kati Martin:** Unanimously passed. Meeting adjourned.

**Participants:** Tom Page, Cambria Harmon, Melanie Beardsley, System, Kati Martin, Nanette Walker Smith

#### December 4, 2016

*Jackie Van Noy:* I got the three applications (2 membership and 1 certification); they've been posted to the website. Just got the CBs voted on in September, now web ready, will get them loaded tonight. Deana brought the hard copy CBs over today to be signed. I dropped the package in the mailbox headed back to Kati tonight.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Excellent, Jackie (thanks to Deana).

I will put the applications in the newsletter going out ASAP within the week as well. A reminder to all with renewals for membership – please include any changes on those applications – you can highlight or asterisk them so the secretary knows to triple check what we have on file!

Tom has a new email for use as president

incoming: [wyocvt@gmail.com](mailto:wyocvt@gmail.com)

I am updating the board list due to new appointments, but have not heard from our incoming Treasurer with a phone number or mailing address - Aaron Tippit.

Everyone should be at this meeting to get used to getting in here and be ready to switch over next month. As well as be talking to the person she/he is changing positions with.

**Kati Martin:** Let's go ahead and call this meeting to order.

*Lori Power:* Karen Nall will be back the 19th. Karen Nall is feeling a bit overwhelmed with her stuff. She said she asks for help and no one can really answer her. So I know she's frustrated with her new position.

*Tom Page:* I am thinking that with so many of us in Casper, we can set aside time to work through some of the project together.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Needs to call. I answered one email, but needed to include Jackie and Deana in it with their membership expertise (VTNE info and such). Also, likely needs someone to assist with membership cards? I can help with the excel sheet portion, but need to know if that's what she needs.

*Tom Page:* I can do some excel stuff also.

*Jackie Van Noy:* The membership cards themselves used to be a word document. I know that all the files seemed to be the newer version of word and excel, and I cannot open any of them.

**Kati Martin:** I am happy to help. But if I'm not asked, I don't know help is needed. There should be a way to reformat so that you can open them; isn't there, Nanette?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Yes, I think so Kati. The idea would be to gain control of the situation ASAP for New Year memberships. Lori - I'm happy to help get these set up or reset up. But I can guarantee that until Christmas Day, I'm going to be insane with work. So with Karen getting back on the 19th, if she can pull together what she has and send it to me with questions, I can get to work on that as a start right after Christmas, and we can get to work on the phone.

**Kati Martin:** Yes, we need to get something changed so she doesn't get swamped and panic next month with all the renewals coming in.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* My intention is to get the next newsletter out by the 15<sup>th</sup>, at the very latest; earlier if possible (everyone gets me stuff).

We are in need of board position messages, especially end of the year treasury reports, etc. All of that has to be done (especially treasury - IRS filing has to be done in February again). And everyone has to be ready to turn your board position items over to the next person sometime between now and January 1 AND spend a little time going over things with that person :)

**Kati Martin:** Karen, can you make contact with Aaron and get your treasurer things rolling and give your report?

*Karen Schutt:* Yes I will. I was hoping to get with Tom and Aaron at the same time to go to the bank to do signature cards.

November 1st Balance: \$13,429.11, Check # 1138 to Jackie for November web for \$49.00, Check # 1139 to Karalarae Lawrence for \$500.00 for scholarship, Check # 1140 to Jackie for \$49.00 for December web. Balance as of December 4th: \$12,831.11.

**Kati Martin:** Excellent. Thank you, Karen. Sounds fantastic. Amanda; who is the other EWC rep with you this year?

*Amanda Johnson:* Sage Martin I just asked her what email she is using. Nanette asked to get her info sent to update the list.

**Kati Martin:** Perfect. Amanda; does Sage know to log into VSPN for our meetings? Does anyone have any old news I'm forgetting that we need to cover?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* CBs are in transit :) On their way to you Kati per Jackie's report above :)

**Kati Martin:** Great! How about the SoS and IRS paperwork. What is the status on that?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* IRS is in holding, all done for 2016. We don't need to do anything with that until 2017. Secretary of State needs to now be updated with the new president.

*Karen Schutt:* It was updated after our annual meeting. I can update it online.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Remember I need all information for newsletter no later than THIS FRIDAY PLEASE.

*Tom Page:* I want to say thanks to current board for all of their service, and their help in the future.

*Jackie Van Noy:* Is the next meeting going to be on the 1st?

**Kati Martin:** Should probably do the 8th.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Motion for next meeting to be on the 8th of January due to the 1st being a holiday.

*Jackie Van Noy:* Second

**Kati Martin:** Motion passed unanimously. Next meeting is January

8<sup>th</sup>; 8pm MT here. I will let Mary know tomorrow when she emails me the transcript, and I will also give her Tom's email so he will start receiving those emails.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Motion to adjourn with the understanding everyone will get their stuff together to transfer to the next person ASAP.

*Karen Schutt:* Second

**Kati Martin:** Motion passed unanimously. See you all next year.

Thank you to everyone for all of their time and dedication this past year! I greatly appreciate each and every one of you!

*Cambria Harmon:* Have a great holiday everyone and a happy new year.

*Tom Page:* Thanks to you too, Kati.

**Kati Martin:** Amanda, will you email Nanette and me Sage's email address when you get it?

*Amanda Johnson:* Yes, I will.

**Kati Martin:** Great, thank you! Goodnight and Merry Christmas everyone!

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Likewise - and a happy and SAFE new year!

*Tom Page:* Merry Christmas and good night.

**Participants:** Tom Page, Cambria Harmon, Kati Martin, Amanda Johnson, Melanie Beardsley, Karen Schutt, Jackie Van Noy, Lori Power, Nanette Walker Smith

**2016 WyVTA Board:**

<http://www.wyvta.org/contact-us.pml>

Kati Martin	President
Deana Baker	Past President
Lori Power	Vice President
Karen Schutt	Treasurer
Karen Bryant Nall	Secretary
Melanie Beardsley	NAVTA Rep; Scholarship Committee
Tom Page	Member-At-Large; Scholarship Committee
Jackie Van Noy	Member-At-Large & Webmaster
Courtney Carroll	EWC Student Rep-sophomore
Amanda Johnson	EWC Student Rep-freshman
Cambria Harmon	Scholarship Committee
Nanette Walker Smith	Newsletter Editor; Advisor

**Your newly elected 2017 WyVTA Board:**

Tom Page, CVT	President
Kati Martin, CVT	Past President
Lori Power	Vice President
Aaron Tippet	Treasurer
Karen Nall, CVT	Secretary
Melanie Beardsley, CVT	NAVTA Rep; Scholarship Committee
Cambria Harmon	Member-At-Large; Scholarship Committee
Jackie Van Noy, CVT	Member-At-Large & Webmaster
Amanda Johnson	EWC Student Rep-sophomore
Sage Martin	EWC Student Rep-freshman
Nanette Walker Smith, MEd, RVT, CVT, LVT	Newsletter Editor; Advisor

**2017 Board positions will become effective on 1/1/2017**

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS and CERTIFICATION FORMS INCLUDED...  
PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS at the TOP of each form carefully!**

Wyoming Veterinary Technician Association

PO BOX 34

Cody, WY 82414



# Veterinary Technician Association

website: [www.wyvta.org](http://www.wyvta.org)

## Membership Application

**\* For those with Certifications renewing in 2018**

Approved membership will be effective  
January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017

**VT, VA, Associate membership = \$20 for 2017 only VT Student = \$15/graduating in 2017**  
(technician, hospital staff, veterinarian, public)

**Please PRINT or TYPE**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

First  
**HOME ADDRESS**

Last

**WORK ADDRESS**

Street Number/Name/PO BOX

Business Name (no abbreviations)

City State ZIP

Street Number/Name/PO BOX

Area Code & Phone Number

City State ZIP

Email

Area Code & Phone Number

**Preferred mailing type:** ☐ Home Email ☐ Work Email OR ☐ Home Address ☐ Work Address

If you attend(ed) an AVMA accredited Veterinary Technology Program please list it, your graduation date (or expected graduation date), and any credentials you may have below:

School Name (please write out full name)

graduation date

RVT, CVT, LVT number

issuing state

**Please check the appropriate box:**

☐ Veterinary Technician ☐ Veterinary Assistant ☐ Associate Member (type):

**What type of hospital/institution do you work for?**

**Please list which committee(s) you would like to serve on?**

☐ Nominations ☐ Membership ☐ Continual Education ☐ Newsletter ☐ NAVTA ☐ Scholarship  
☐ \_\_\_\_\_ (other interests?)

**As a member of the Wyoming Veterinary Technician Association, I will abide by the Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules of the Association.**

Signature

Date

\$

Dues Enclosed

**DUES MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATIONS; please make checks payable to: WyVTA**

Send completed applications and dues to:

Karen Nall, WyVTA Secretary/Membership  
13555 Hwy 487, Casper, WY 82604



# Veterinary Technician Association

website: [www.wyvtta.org](http://www.wyvtta.org)

## Membership Application

### Application for Biannual Membership-2017

Approved membership will be effective  
January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2018

**VT, VA, Associate membership = \$40/biannual**

**VT Student = \$30/biannual**

(technician, hospital staff, veterinarian, public)

**Please PRINT or TYPE**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

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### Application for Biannual Certification-2017

Approved certification will be effective January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2018

**Please PRINT or TYPE all information, do not use abbreviations  
FILL OUT ENTIRE APPLICATION**

FULL NAME (including maiden if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS (MAILING): \_\_\_\_\_  
P. O. Box or Street Number and Name City State Zip

ADDRESS (PHYSICAL): \_\_\_\_\_  
Street number and name City State Zip

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

WORK ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Name Street number and name City State Zip

AVMA accredited Veterinary Technology (Animal Health Technology) Program attended (including address)

School Name Street number and name City State Zip  
Graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number of program attended: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

The following items are required, please indicate N/A (not applicable) if it does not apply:

1. ☐ New Application = \$10  
☐ Current Renewal = \$0      ☐ Lapsed Renewal = \$10      WyVTA Certificate Number \_\_\_\_\_
2. ☐ Copy of diploma attached      ☐ Diploma on file with WyVTA
3. ☐ WyVTA membership application attached      ☐ Current WyVTA member
4. ☐ VTNE scores on file with WyVTA      ☐ VTNE scores being transferred
5. ☐ Continuing Education certificates from previous 2 years attached      ☐ New graduate
6. Proof of license/registration/certification if transferring from another state attached      ☐ N/A
7. \$10.00 application fee (DUE ONLY IF first time certification application or lapsed renewal;  
no fee due for continuing biannual re-certification)

Send completed applications and fees to:

Karen Nall  
WyVTA Secretary/Membership  
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Casper, WY 82604

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