

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Whew, we made it through! Another great CE has come and gone. Melanie did a great job putting our annual CE and Election meeting together. Suzanne Hetts Ph.D., CAAB, CVJ and Dan Estep Ph.D., CAAB with Animal Behavior Associates did a great job and taught us so much about the different techniques to use when trying to correct unwanted animal behaviors. Thank you to those of you who came and learned with us!



Dr's Suzanne Hetts & Daniel Estep
Melanie Beardsley (left)

<http://www.animalbehaviorassociates.com/index.html>

We have a great Executive Board coming in to the 2016 New Year. I am excited to welcome and start working with the new ladies, Karen and Lori. Also, we welcome Jackie back to the board as a member at large. I am so proud of these gals for stepping up and volunteering to take these positions on.

Once again, Nanette has been a busy bee, making sure that all of our government paper work is complete. She will be sending in our Secretary of State paperwork soon, which means we will be completely official again as a tax-exempt, non-profit organization.

As we finish National Vet Tech Week, I would like everyone to take a minute and think about why

you do this job. Is it because you have such a strong love for the animals? Or maybe you have always dreamed of being in the medical field and couldn't handle humans. Funny thing is, we all know we deal with humans every day, in a different light, however. Just think about your reason for becoming a veterinary technician and let that be a reminder of why you are here to keep thriving and striving forward in your career!

MEMBERSHIP & CERTIFICATION: It's time to start pulling together your 2016 membership applications and certification applications (if this is your year to update). Membership or certification questions to please email Tessa Schmidt directly at tschmidt0811@gmail.com Applications are enclosed (psst... pass them on too!)

MacKenzie Lowham

**2015 WyVTA
Veterinary Student
Scholarship Winner
\$500**

CONGRATULATIONS!

IRS Non Profit/Tax Exempt Standing Update

from Nanette:

I'm happy to report that at our Fall CE and Annual Meeting on September 19, YOU the active membership, those in attendance with valid memberships and the proxy votes that a few of you sent in, allowed the membership to fully approve the 2015 WyVTA Constitution and Bylaws with Amendments to bring us into full compliance with the IRS Tax Exempt Non Profit standing we've worked so hard to regain.

Non Profit Standing (cont.)

In addition, the Wyoming Secretary of State filing has been submitted so we can be duly registered with the State of Wyoming.

The final piece will be completing the back documentation for the IRS (990 tax forms) which Carol Larson (outgoing treasurer) and I will be working on completing with the help of our IRS exemption person and we'll be training Karen Schutt (incoming treasurer) as we finish up.

The Amendments put into place the wording to ensure the Treasurer is responsible for completing the IRS documentation and the Secretary of State documentation annually to maintain our tax exempt status so we don't have to ever do this again!

The 2015-0919 Constitution and Bylaws will be loaded to the www.wyvta.org website shortly by our webmaster Jackie so you can refer to them at any time.

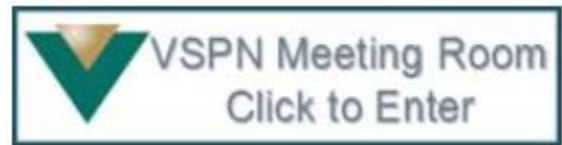
A special note of THANKS goes to Jackie Van Noy who is acting as our Agent on Record for the physical address for the association since we don't have an office to speak of. This just means she needs to stay on top of what the association is doing so should she be asked about the business of the association, she can answer to it and direct any questions where they need to go.

NEW OFFICERS for 2016!

As Kati mentioned in her President's Address we have a nice smattering of new faces and returning faces to our incoming 2016 Executive Board. As a founding member of the WyVTA lo those many years ago, I am constantly proud of our little association and how we keep on plugging along even with our small sized state and less than 100 credentialed veterinary technicians on record. We must also give a hearty thanks to those Board members who have fulfilled their duties and are taking a well-deserved break: Kris Paige, Cambria Harmon, and of course Carole Larson. We couldn't have done everything without you! Cambria has agreed to stay on the newly formed Scholarship Committee from 2015, keeping the team intact with Melanie Beardsley and Tom Page. True to their faith in this profession and the faith in this association we have a FULL SLATE of officers for 2016!

The Boards will spend October – December transitioning with the new members onboarding, if you will, so they can learn about the association and details without having everything just dropped in their laps.

Our general meetings each month will be full with a few more, but YOU as our membership are always welcome so remember to set your calendars and clocks to the **first Sunday of the month at 8pm Mountain time** and tune in to www.vspn.org > click CHAT on the navigation bar and login with your VSPN user/pass > click the button or the hyperlink to join the meeting:



November's meeting comes up fast on November FIRST (right after Halloween).

Sunday, November 1 at 8pm MT

MINUTES

WyVTA Annual Meeting 9/19/2015

The meeting was called to order by President Kati Martin with a membership of 40 and 2 potential incoming members present. Treasurer Carol Larson presented the report through September 19 (printed in the newsletter).

Nanette Walker Smith presented the news that the WyVTA is now Tax Exempt, Non Profit Standing – as reported in the last newsletter, thanks to the membership's support and diligence in attending meetings and voting in wording changes to amendments needed for our constitution and bylaws. To make WyVTA legitimate to the IRS and for preparation in submission to the Wyoming Secretary of State to register as a Non-Profit organization, one last vote was needed to accept the revised constitution and bylaws published with amendments. They were unanimously approved and will be posted on the WyVTA.org website by our webmaster Jackie Van Noy.

The last order of business was electing our new board for 2016.

First Name	Last Name	2016 Position
Kati	Martin	President
Deana	Baker	Past President
Lori	Power	Vice President
Karen	Schutt	Treasurer
Tessa	Schmidt	Secretary
Melanie	Beardsley	NAVTA Rep
Tom	Page	Member-At-Large
Jacquelyn	Van Noy	Member-At-Large
Jacquelyn	Van Noy	Webmaster
Courtney	Carroll	EWC Student Rep
Nanette	Walker Smith	Advisor

Treasurer's Report August-September 2015

	WYVTA	Treasurer's Report	August 2015						
				7/20/2015	Beginning Balance	\$16,699.76			
Date	Income					0			
	Expenses								
	Mem. Reimburse.	CE Speaker fees	Office		Gifts	Other			
			(website, 1 mos)				(\$44.00)		
				8/19/2015	Ending Balance	\$16,655.76			
	WYVTA	Treasurer's Report	September 2015						
	Income			8/20/2015	Beginning Balance	\$16,655.76			
	Membership Dues	CE Registration	Sponsorship		Donation	Other			
9/9/2015	\$110.00								
9/22/2015	\$130.00	\$3,345.00							
Totals	\$240.00	\$3,345.00				\$3,585.00			
	Expenses								
	Mem. Reimburse.	CE Speaker fees	Office		Gifts	Other			
9/14/2015			(\$44.00)	Jackie Web Site					
9/19/2015						(\$500.00)	Mackenzie Lowham Scholarship		
9/19/2015			(\$1,567.50)	Animal Behavior Assoc.					
9/19/2015			(\$234.42)	Melanie Beardsley CE office fees					
9/19/2015						(\$25.00)	Wyoming Sec. of State		
9/20/2015						(\$1,700.76)	Ramkota Meeting Room, food & speaker rooms.		
9/21/2015			(\$49.00)	Tessa Schmidt postage					
9/21/2015	(\$5.00)	Krysten Bell overpay CE							
Totals	(\$5.00)	(\$1,567.50)	(\$327.42)			(\$2,225.76)	(\$4,125.68)		
				9/21/2015	Ending Balance	\$16,115.08			



Pres. Kati Martin; Winner Mackenzie Lowham;
Scholarship Committee: Melanie Beardsley & Tom Page



Veterinary Technician Association

website: www.wyvta.org

Membership Application 2016

VT, VA, Associate membership = \$20/calendar year
(technician, hospital staff, veterinarian, public)
VT Student = \$15/calendar year

Please PRINT or TYPE

NAME: _____
First Last

HOME ADDRESS

Street number/name

City, State ZIP

Home Phone Number

Email Address

WORK ADDRESS

Work Name

Street number/name

City, State ZIP

Work Phone Number

Preferred mailing type: ☐ Home Address ☐ Work Address ☐ Home E-mail ☐ Work E-mail

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: _____

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

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

As a member of the Wyoming Veterinary Technician Association, I will abide by the constitution, by-laws, and rules of the association.

Signature

Date

Dues Enclosed

DUES MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATIONS

Send completed applications and dues to:

Tessa Schmidt, CVT

WyVTA Secretary/Membership

PO BOX 34

Cody, WY 82414

Please Make checks out to: WyVTA



Veterinary Technician Association

website: www.wyvta.org

Application for Certification

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: _____

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

Graduation date: _____ Phone number of program attended: _____

The following items are required:

1. ☐ New Application ☐ Renewal - Wy 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
7. \$10.00 application fee (new application or lapsed renewal)

Send completed applications and fees to:

Tessa Schmidt, WyVTA Secretary/Membership

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Make checks out to the WyVTA



2016 Wyoming Veterinary Technician Association Executive Board:

Front Row: Jackie Van Noy & Deana Baker

Back Row: Melanie Beardsley, Kati Martin, Lori Power, Tom Page, Karen Schutt

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