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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

- Melanie Beardsley, CVT; [President@wyvta.org](mailto:President@wyvta.org)

President 2020

Happy fall, everyone! Changing leaves, record low temps, and record high snowfall coupled with the successful Continuing Education Meeting last month means fall is officially here! If you didn't join us, you missed out! Julie knocked it out of the park Saturday with lots of encouragement and practical tips to care for

yourself, minimize your reaction to stressors in your life, and improve your mindset and approach to life in general. Dr. DeGroot also shared some great information about Bovine Tuberculosis, Bovine Brucellosis, and Equine Infectious Anemia. His discussion of antibiotic resistance and what that means for the future of veterinary medicine was very practical for those in both large and small animal medicine. We had lots of great feedback from those in attendance. I hope those that joined us online had just as good of an experience. I am still relieved at the minimal technical difficulties we experienced! Virtually or in person, we hope to see you next year!

We had some new faces added to the board and many of the board positions are unchanged. Even if you have no interest in a board position, we would still love to have more of our members join us for our monthly meetings on zoom.

We still are working on a few projects before the new year. We are hopeful to facilitate online payment for 2021 membership/certification come the end of this year. (And for the CE meeting next fall!)

Hope everyone stays healthy and well as 2020 starts to wind down.

Melanie Beardsley, CVT  
2020 WyVTA President  
[President@wyvta.org](mailto:President@wyvta.org)

**Monthly Membership Meetings are via ZOOM at <https://zoom.us/> at 7pm MT**

**NEXT MEETING is November 1<sup>st</sup> @ 7pm MT**

**Plan ahead for this upcoming ZOOM meetings @ 7 PM Mtn**  
**Time: Members WELCOME!**  
November 1<sup>st</sup>  
December 6<sup>th</sup>

Meeting login ID's are set up each month and then emailed out a few days prior to the meeting.

**If you've never attended before:**

1. AHEAD of the scheduled meeting date, go to <https://zoom.us/test> to test your device's ability to access & view ZOOM (PC/MAC, Android/iPhone, and tablet). \*\*\*You just need to do this once per device.
2. Email the Secretary at ([secretary@wyvta.org](mailto:secretary@wyvta.org)) if you don't receive the email notification containing the Meeting Room ID information sent approximately 2-4 days prior to the meeting.
3. Go to <https://zoom.us>, click "Join a Meeting" in the top right corner, and enter the meeting ID

**NAVTA Representative**

Jackie Breed CVT

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## Celebrating National Veterinary Technician Week 2020

October 2020 WyVTA Newsletter

## This Is Who We Are, This Is What We Do

The week of October 11-17, 2020 has been set aside to celebrate, recognize, and promote the valuable contributions you, as credentialed veterinary technicians, make to the veterinary profession and society.

Veterinary technicians are integral players on the veterinary healthcare team. You are on the frontlines, compassionately working with clients whose beloved animals need care. You work tirelessly in exam rooms, labs, and operating rooms, putting to work your vast technical and scientific knowledge treating and caring for every species of animal. Your broad skills – both professional and personal – allow veterinarians to work more efficiently and effectively. And you do it all with love and a smile, day after day.

And this year you've been put to the test like never before. Deemed essential personnel, you went to work every day, exposing yourself to the possibility of contracting a virus that has no cure. If that weren't stressful enough, many of you faced furloughs and layoffs due to a sudden drop in hospital or clinic appointments. When you did go back to work, the caseload was nonstop as clients rushed to get their pets caught up on wellness appointments. But your love for animals and the work you do to help them drove you to keep going.

This year, more than ever, we are proud to salute and celebrate you, the Veterinary Technicians in America!

The 2020 National Veterinary Technician Week (NVTW) celebration will include daily prizes on NAVTA's social media outlets, three free CE webinars, and a robust public relations push. Watch your email and check out NAVTA's social media outlets for details.

National Veterinary Technician Week (NVTW) is exclusively sponsored by Hill's Pet Nutrition, whose financial support enables us to create and implement media outreach programs which include posters, press releases, scripts for Public Service Announcements, and other media information. In addition, Hill's field representatives will personally deliver NVTW posters and a special edition of this Journal to their clients across the United States, ensuring nearly 5,000 practices are aware of you and the great work you do. Thank you, Hill's Pet Nutrition!

National Veterinary Technician Week is about you - the veterinary technician, and we want to thank *you* for all of your hard work

### MINUTES

#### August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**Melanie Beardsley:** I call this meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Leanne, remember to include the email vote regarding Julie's contract in your minutes for the newsletter.

[Through an email vote on July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Dena Wallace motioned to accept Julie Squires' revised contract for the WyVTA Annual Continuing Education Conference for 2020 to show Equashield's gracious sponsorship.](#)

[The motion was seconded by Deana Baker, and the motion was passed by Melanie Beardsley.](#)

Jackie B, do you have anything from NAVTA?

*Jackie Breed:* I do not have anything at this time.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Jackie V, did you receive my e-mail from [name redacted]?

*Jackie Van Noy:* [Name redacted] has been taken care of.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Leanne, do you have any comments for us this month?

*LeAnne Williams:* No.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Nanette, do you want to update us on the Association computers?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* The computers are in my hands. My plan is to get them set up this week.

*Angela Lance:* Nanette, was the amount correct on the check that I sent you or will there be an update on that?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* I will have that figured out this week and send the final invoice in an easy read format for everyone.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Treasurer is up.

This is what I have for reimbursement for Angela's trip to the bank.

*Dena Wallace:* Federal Reimbursement rate for 2020 is \$0.575/mile.

103 mileage @ 0.575 cents/mile= \$59.225= \$59.23

Food/beverage: \$13.96

Total: \$73.19

**Melanie Beardsley:** I just looked through previous notes and it was 54 cents when we talked about it last.

But the agreement was to reimburse at the government rate.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* The federal rate covers gas, wear and tear, insurance, etc.

**I motion to reimburse Angela for bank run.**

*Dena Wallace:* I second

**Melanie Beardsley:** Motion passes.

*Dena Wallace:* Do you want me to deposit checks as they come in for the conference, or all at once? I'm in Cheyenne at least once a week, so it wouldn't be a problem to drop off as they come in.

**Melanie Beardsley:** We have done them all at once in the past. We just have to be sure that we keep track of who paid what and how.

Nanette, do you have thoughts on Dena depositing them as they come in?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* As long as Dena deposits them as they come in and notate on their registration what they paid.

You can ask Angela if she'd prefer a spreadsheet since you'll likely put all that info in one anyway. It will be easier to put people in and track them that way. Then we can just email it to her every time you update it.

**Melanie Beardsley:** I agree. I would notate on their paper registration form the payment as well as the corresponding spreadsheet information.

Jackie V, can you send a current member list to Dena?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Angela and I have been working on being able to have folks pay securely online for our annual conference, as well as for membership and certification dues. For direct deposit through our bank it would cost us \$25 to \$35 per month, as well as a charge for each payment made this way. We would just turn off this feature the months we don't use it.

**Melanie Beardsley:** It would be really nice to not have to juggle 40+ cheques/cash every conference.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* With Square, we would be able to use a link on our webpage. There is a charge per use, but VIN takes the user to a secure checkout procedure and deposits to whatever account we want.

We don't take in nearly enough transactions to consider PayPal.

The only option offered on our site right now is payment through a check, and that will always be available.

**Melanie Beardsley:** What is the cost if we went through Square?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* To start up there is a \$35 cost, and then 3% per transaction.

I don't know if we can get a nonprofit discount off the monthly fee.

*Tom Page:* If we chose to offer it we could state that it will add \$X.XX to the amount.

**Melanie Beardsley:** It would be great to offer online payment for the conference, but it would be even better to have something that would be functional year around.

Could we table it and vote on it during the August board member meeting or would that be too late?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* If I can get it done this week, I'd rather see us get it figured out and voted on so the link can go live.

**Melanie Beardsley:** We could do an e-mail vote, too.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* I estimate that annually we would have a maximum of 75 transactions for memberships and certifications, about 50 transactions for our CE conference, and about 10 transactions for vendors and sponsors.

*Tom Page:* I have had vendors ask about being able to pay with a card for the amount they are donating.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Let us know what you guys find out and we will go from there.

Dena, you are up!

*Dena Wallace:* Dr. DeGroot is promising to contact Nanette tomorrow, by noon.

The Ramkota has promised to keep me updated if there are any changes regarding gathering size. As of right now, gatherings of 50 people or less are still allowed.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Dena's got Ms. Squires' final documents ready for printing.

Mel, you'll need to do a welcome letter and agenda.

Tom, when I get information from Dr. DeGroot we can start talking printing quotes.

**Melanie Beardsley:** I'll need sponsor logos.

Who is in charge of certificates?

*Tom Page:* They fall under whoever is in charge of printing.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* I need logos, too, so I can get them into marketing use.

**Melanie Beardsley:** We also need to be sure we are flagging donations vs. sponsorships.

Angela will have to know what category the monies coming in are supposed to go under.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Dena, do you want me to send that contract to Julie Squires or do you want to do that? It's been approved. Since your company is sponsoring, I think it would be totally appropriate for you.

*Dena Wallace:* I'll do it in the morning before meetings.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Our website is fully live.

Taking our applications to the web will be worth it.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Our governor's next COVID conference is scheduled for August 16<sup>th</sup>.

Tom has received a few more sponsor/donation commitments.

Idexx is committed to \$750.

Nutramax is shooting for \$1000 and planning on attending.

Covetrus and Elanco are shooting for \$1500.

It sounds like a couple of them would even like to attend in person. We will need to keep that in mind with our number count if we are still limited to 50.

We also need to consider if someone can't attend due to COVID, are we going to reimburse them?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* I would say we decide case by case. Proof of a positive COVID test would be required.

*Tom Page:* I think that we need to start talking about how a COVID waver is going to look for our event.

*Dena Wallace:* Do we have legal representation?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* No.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Is there anything available through NAVTA?

Jackie B, can you check NAVTA for legal?

*Jackie Breed:* Yes, I will look into that.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* We can easily put Julie on Zoom if she needs to quarantine.

We should require masks and social distancing.

*Dena Wallace:* I have unlimited Zoom hours with permission to use them.

*LeAnne Williams:* Did we figure out the hotel's cancellation policy?

*Dena Wallace:* I'll ask tomorrow about cancellation

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Our next meeting is August 30<sup>th</sup>, correct?

**Melanie Beardsley:** Yes, board-only meeting on August 30<sup>th</sup> as a final prep for the conference.

*Jackie Van Noy:* I did have one other thing to discuss. The PO box renewal notice was too late to get to Angela for payment. I paid it and sent her the receipt. Do we need to vote for reimbursement?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* We do need to reimburse you, no vote needed. What was the cost?

*Jackie Van Noy:* The cost was \$92 for the year.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* [Motion to adjourn](#)

*Tom Page:* 2nd

**Melanie Beardsley:** [Motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.](#)

### August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**Melanie Beardsley:** I officially call this meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

The governor extended his orders through September 15th. The Wyoming Department of Health could revoke those, but as of now, we can have a meeting indoors of limited to 50 people.

*Dena Wallace:* I have received 19 registrations so far.

**Melanie Beardsley:** I will be sending 2 out tomorrow. That would put us at 21 registrations as of right now.

Has it still been radio silence with Dr. DeGroot, Dena?

*Dena Wallace:* Nanette spoke to him Tuesday. It sounds like he is still on, but I don't know if he agreed to live or via Zoom.

We can cancel without penalty at the Ramkota.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Dr. DeGroot is happy with either.

*Dena Wallace:* Julie will not attend in person but volunteered her Zoom webinar account for her day.

If we decide to go all online, I will be glad to host the Sunday session with Dr. DeGroot. I can moderate participants.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Through Zoom, Dena?

*Dena Wallace:* Yes, my work account allows unlimited participants for an unlimited time. I have asked and received permission to use it.

**Melanie Beardsley:** We may end up having to take you up on that offer!

Here is are updates I have for vendors. Hill's is not allowed to support in-person meetings. They can send us \$500 if we are 100% virtual.

*Tom Page:* I am missing one. PCS, a local compounding company.

Regarding Hill's, if we had a few folks from Casper in the same place to manage the flow, would that would be a problem?

**Melanie Beardsley:** Linda said we may have to sign a document stating we went virtual at the last minute. I think as long as the CE is 100% virtual for all participants and the Association is not requiring the board to be in one place, that it will be OK if a couple of us got together voluntarily.

*Tom Page:* For the Casper group, maybe Melanie, Jackie B. and I could run the conference from one location. I will still have to ask, but we could use the conference room at my hospital. I might even be able to get an additional computer to help.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* We could offer to host both virtually and on site for the same price.

With the Board of Veterinary Medicine qualifying it for 4 continuing education units for veterinarians, hopefully we'll get more registrations.

*Tom Page:* We can craft an announcement after we make our decision tonight.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Does anyone else have thoughts on live vs. 100% virtual they want to discuss or are we ready to vote?

*Nanette Walker Smith:* [I motion to opt for continuing with being live in Casper and adding a virtual component on Zoom at the same pricing.](#)

*Tom Page:* [I second Nanette's motion.](#)

**Melanie Beardsley:** [Motion passes.](#)

*Dena Wallace:* I will let the Ramkota and Julie know tomorrow and have them contact each other for testing out the technology.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* Documents will be ready by next Saturday at the latest and will be sent to Tom for copy.

*Tom Page:* We will need to contact people to update them and to see how many will attend now that there is an option.

*LeAnne Williams:* I can send out an email to members tonight about our decision, and maybe we post on Facebook.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* I will update Facebook.

*Tom Page:* We will need to decide how we are going to proceed if someone shows up and has a fever.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Hopefully all attendees will have masks. We could ask the Ramkota about providing masks and hand sanitizer.

*Nanette Walker Smith:* We will require masks and temperature-taking.

Dr. DeGroot needs a room for Saturday night and reimbursement for mileage. No stipend per his request.

*Dena Wallace:* I had them put the free room in Dr. DeGroot's name.

*Tom Page:* With the option he might elect to go virtual.

I am hoping that one of the vendors can be ear marked for snacks

*Dena Wallace:* Ramkota will provide all individually wrapped snacks and the buffet will have to be served by Ramkota staff per COVID rules.

Since the fee is staying the same, I'll send the rest of the checks to Bank of the West tomorrow. Mel, could you send me an email with the account number?

Would you like me to email each of the registrants so far with the update we made here tonight?

**Melanie Beardsley:** Dena, it might not hurt. At least to the ones that are not members. LeAnne, you are sending one to all of the members, correct?

*LeAnne Williams:* Yes, I will. Nanette will post to Facebook.

*Tom Page:* I have one student that plan on attending.

**Melanie Beardsley:** It won't hurt for them to get two emails. LeAnne, maybe include in your email for them to contact Dena if they have sent in a registration but would prefer to go virtual.

Tom, you still have the poster boards with the board positions on them, correct?

*Tom Page:* Yes, I have them. We will just have to let Ramkota know that we will need to hang them.

The questionnaire at the end will look different this year (thoughts from the virtual and live presentations to help for next year).

*Dena Wallace:* We can send a Survey Monkey to those who participated virtually.

**Melanie Beardsley:** Are we going to snail mail or e-mail certificates for CE credits?

*Tom Page:* We will need to plan for timing of printing. I will reach out to Ambi to see what their timeline is.

*Dena Wallace:* Can we attach the CE certificate to completion of the online survey?

**Melanie Beardsley:** I was wondering if that could be done, Dena.

*LeAnne Williams:* For future and current registrations, how do we tally virtual vs in person?

*Dena Wallace:* I will ask Julie about Zoom's ability to keep track of those logged in.

**Melanie Beardsley:** LeAnne, in your e-mail to members, ask them to please specify on the registration form if they will be attending virtually or in-person.

*LeAnne Williams:* OK.

**Melanie Beardsley:** We may have to make our final decision on certificates next meeting. We could send them after the conference if we decide to mail hard copies to the virtual attendees.

Can you make survey monkey surveys not anonymous? If not, we couldn't confirm who to send the certificate to. We could send a virtual form for them to fill out and e-mail back to us.

The option for us to electronically send the certificate would still be available, too.

*Dena Wallace:* [I move to adjourn this meeting.](#)

*Tom Page:* [I second.](#)

**Melanie Beardsley:** [Motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 8:51 pm.](#)

## September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome CTO 12:05pm at the Ramkota Hotel, Casper, WY by President Melanie Beardsley, CVT
  - a. Introduction of Board members
  - b. 15 members (all CVTs); 1 nonmember CVT; 11 nonmembers (veterinary staff); 1 VT student (Penn Foster); 0 veterinarians
2. Old Business – Secretary: Submitted for membership follow through:
  - a. Review and approve 2018 Annual Mtg Minutes
  - b. Review and approve 2019 Annual Mtg Minutes
  - c. **Teaha Collins motioned to approve 2018 and 2019 minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jeremiah Heaton. Motion passed unanimously.**
  - d. **Nanette Walker Smith will record minutes in absence of LeAnne Williams.**
3. Treasurer Report: Submitted by Angela Lance, Treasurer
  - a. Current report: Please see bimonthly reports published in the newsletter; these are posted publicly in accordance with our nonprofit standing with the IRS.
  - b. \$24,001.60 current to date balance in the bank account.
  - c. **Secretary of State filing will be updated as soon as we have our new officers elected; DUE 9/30/2020**
    - 1) Will need new board's full names, contact email (personal), home mailing address, and best contact phone number (cell/text preferred)
4. Board Member Reports
  - a. Vice Pres – Dena Wallace, CVT - 2021 CE - Mel Beardsley reported in absence of Dena Wallace who was attending to a family emergency.
    - 1) Reminder to complete evaluation and give us thoughts on future CE topics and/or speakers. These are vital to us providing excellent CE for you.
    - 2) Thank you to our sponsors for their generous donations this year to enable this late in the game switch to all virtual from an initially all live CE conference! Equashield, State of Wyoming Veterinary Livestock Board, Nutramaxx, Idexx. Please take the time to thank them for their support.
  - b. Certification/Membership - Jackie Van Noy, CVT
    - 1) Jackie attended the meeting virtually. She's excited about the new Membership computer the Association voted to purchase for that office. It should make the position much easier to track as well as have soft copies of all the member and certification information in addition to the hard copies we always keep.
      - Nanette Walker Smith added that the new certificate and membership cards have been printed on business cards stock. This

should remove the need to print said cards (printers purchased are all monochrome) and the chair will hand write the info on the card(s) and send out.

- 2) Membership numbers to date are:
    - 120 Certified Veterinary Technicians
    - 1 Veterinary Assistant
    - 1 Associate Member
    - States represented include Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, Idaho, California, UAE, Washington, and Montana
  - 3) Online ability to complete applications now and payment online will be ready prior to year's end. Checks will still be accepted, but it may slow processing depending on the Treasurer's ability to access Bank of the West.
    - We are investigating utilizing web features to assist.
  - 4) Membership and certification applications are in update phase now for 2021 and a separate email will be sent out specifically announcing when they are ready to renew.
  - 5) Jackie also wanted to apologize for the COVID-19 related delays earlier this year with renewals and questions regarding membership and certification.
- c. Secretary - LeAnne Williams, CVT – submitted and reported by Mel Beardsley in lieu of Leann's family emergency
- 1) Job ads for our newsletter and Facebook info. Thanks for those submitted this year, we had several and hopefully putting the in the newsletter and on Facebook is helping. Please remember to email those to the secretary. We will post to FB (2 months) and newsletter for 2 publications)
  - 2) Writing articles for our Newsletter – PLEASE DO! If you find an article of importance to our area/members, forward to secretary and the Board will review.
- d. State Representative – Jackie Breed, CVT – Your NAVTA Representative provides abilities to get you information about our national association if you'd like to have them for your practice; online ce, and more opportunities to expand your community service and professional contacts.
- 1) NAVTA strives to help us out as techs – national resource and we have a district representative, both as an association and as an individual.
- e. Members-at-Large
- 1) Cambria Harmon, CVT - traveled to Washington in late 2019 to represent WyVTA at the invitation of Washington State's VTA to share ideas. This is Cambria's last year as MAL as she's reached 3 consecutive years in the same position.
    - THANK YOU Cambria for all your hard work on the Scholarship Committee
  - 2) Deana Baker, CVT – served for the Scholarship Cmte. She is eligible to remain as MAL
- f. Past President: Tom Page, CVT – report
- 1) Reached out to all distance programs and EWC personally regarding scholarship. COVID caused a real issue with contacting schools.
  - 2) No scholarship awarded this year. No applications were received. The committee will work on more efforts for reaching out to perspective students next year.
- g. Webmaster Nanette Walker Smith, CVT
- 1) Where we are now: new website finally released this summer, all applications are now online
  - 2) Slowly getting payments available online which will be through SQUARE and will deposit directly into our bank account.
    - Please write the Board with any comments on how the applications are working or any suggestions you might have. Thank you.
5. Election of 2021 Board Members: Positions will start in training immediately upon election, transitioning to active board positions by January 1, 2021 including transition of all board materials from the previous board member, especially the Board Notebook
- a. President Melanie Beardsley reviewed the order of the Election Process for each position:
    - 1) Nomination
    - 2) Verification of active membership +/- CVT status – verified by Jackie Van Noy (Membership) and Nanette Walker Smith (acting secretary and webmaster)
    - 3) Acceptance of nomination by the nominee
    - 4) 2nd
    - 5) Continue until all nominations are received
    - 6) Brief introduction of person/people to group
    - 7) Any discussion (should be minimal)
    - 8) Any positions not filled shall be filled by the Board and MAL positions filled after.
    - 9) VOTE – 51% of MEMBERS (need to be sure voters are eligible attendees only and any submitted proxies
      - a) **Calculate attendance, eligible voters/proxies, and number required for 51% vote.**
      - b) **Present membership**

Position: President

**Nom – Nanette Walker Smith nominated Melanie Beardsley for President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Teaha Collins MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Position: Vice President:

**Nom – Melanie Beardsley nominated Tom Page, 2<sup>nd</sup> Teaha Collins; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Tom accepted on the condition that should Dena Wallace wish to return to this position once her family’s health improves, he will relinquish the Vice President position to her.**

Position: Certification/Membership:

**Nom – Teaha Collins nominated Jackie VanNoy, Cinda Whitmire 2<sup>nd</sup>, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Position: Treasurer

**Nom – Nanette Walker Smith nominated Angela Vance, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tom, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Position: Secretary

**Nom - Amy Elgin, 2<sup>nd</sup> NWS; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Position: NAVTA Representative

**Nom – NWS nom Jackie B, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tom; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Position: Member-at-Large (up to 2, only when all other positions are filled)

**1. Deana Baker nom by Mel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Teaha, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**2. Will post in next newsletter for interest**

**Position: Student Reps EWC: Will post – please help us find folks if you have contacts attending EWC**

**1. Freshman:**

**2. Sophomore:**

**6. Committees: remind everyone committee appointments are open and available to all active members.**

**a. Speak to the president if interested.**

**b. Being on a committee is a great way to get your feet wet without having a board position**

**7. Constitution and ByLaws: no changes this time around!**

**8. For the Good of the Order: Discussions from the floor.**

**a. Thanks from everyone for being here and having the CE and being survivors, the sponsors attending PCS (Pharmacy Compounding Specialists) and Nutramaxx® (Rep. Lisa Darrah).**

**Motion to adjourn 12:54pm Tom Page, 2<sup>nd</sup> Teaha Collins. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Attendance:

2020 WyVTA Annual Meeting Ramkota Hotel, 800 N Poplar, Casper, WY; September 12, 2020					
Attendee	Member	CVT/Oth	Regis	Live	Zoom
Melanie Beardsley	Yes	CVT	yes	93.8F	
Nanette Smith	Yes	CVT	yes	97.4F	
Tom Page	Yes	CVT	yes		
Jackie Breed	Yes	CVT	yes		
Jackie Van Noy	Yes	CVT	no		Mtg only
Cambria Harmon	Yes	CVT	yes		zoom
Cinda Whitmire	Yes	CVT	yes	97.4F	
Johnee Jo Campbell	Yes	CVT	Yes	96.7F	
Taaha Collins	Yes	CVT	Yes	96.2F	
Tessa Anderson	No	CVT	Yes		zoom
Teighlor Arteta	Yes	CVT	Yes	95.8F	
Christina Wall	Yes	CVT	yes	92.8F	
Genevieve Davis	Yes	CVT	yes	96.9F	
Jeremiah Heaton	Yes	CVT	yes	92.4F	
Jennifer Ehlers	No	CVT	yes	96.7F	
Carolyn Thronson	No	CVT	yes	97.0F	
Tammy Feyerherm	No	CVT	yes	97.4F	
Shylah Jacobson	No	CVT		97.3F	
Candice Burns	No	CVT	yes		zoom
Katie Maloff	No	CVT	yes	97.2F	

MaryJo Schmidt	No	CVT	yes		zoom
Whitney Fontes	No	CVT	Yes	96.7F	
Rainey Mckee	No	CVT	yes	96.2F	
Marissa Mangelsen	No	CVT	yes	96.7F	
Amy Elgin	Yes	CVT Student	Yes	97.4F	

**Executive Board Session of the Wyoming Veterinary Technician Association**

September 12, 2020; 5:05pm, Ramkota Hotel, Casper, WY

**Attendees:** Melanie Beardsley, Tom Page, Jackie Breed, Amy Elgin, Nanette Walker Smith

1. Executive Board members in attendance voted to have a Board member dinner at the Ale House paid for by the Associate (food only) for opportunity to further discuss and plan for 2021; drinks are the responsibility of the individual.
  - a. Motioned by Melanie Beardsley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jackie Breed; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
2. Due to the unfortunate circumstances of Dena Wallace’s family situation, the Board chose to vote to immediately refund her for the \$105 registration fee paid.
  - a. Motioned by Nanette Walker Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Page; MOTIN PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**JOB BOARD:**

Would you like to post your job listings in our newsletter or ONLINE at our website or on our Facebook page? Please email the [Secretary@wyvta.org](mailto:Secretary@wyvta.org) for assistance. You may also refer to our social media policy posting at our website, Facebook page, and in this newsletter for posting details.

**JOB POSTINGS!**

**Alpine Animal Hospital is hiring for Veterinary Technicians/Assistants.**

Alpine Animal Hospital is hiring for Certified Veterinary Technicians-CVT's and veterinary assistants.

Duties include but are not limited to: greeting clients and animals, animal triage for appointments, filling prescriptions, client education, administering medication, assisting with surgery, assisting multiple doctors with appointments and requests, working with both large and small animals, working on-call and weekends to assist after hours emergencies.

The ideal candidate has a veterinary terminology base and is able to learn our protocols quickly.

Applicants with a CVT/RVT/LVT, or graduates of an AVMA accredited veterinary technology program (AS, AAS, or BS degree) or NAVTA approved veterinary assistant program will be interviewed first.

Please email your resume detailing veterinary technician or assistant experience, a cover letter, and list of references (and letters if possible) to: [taylor.haley@alpineanimalhospitalpc.com](mailto:taylor.haley@alpineanimalhospitalpc.com)

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