

New Mexico Registered Veterinary Technician Association

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Monthly Board Meeting April 20th, 2023 Zoom Meeting-Virtually

NMRVTA Executive Board Meeting Minutes 4/20/23, 7:30 pm MST via Zoom

Participants/Board Members: Carolynn Hamilton (President), Hannah Serra (Past President), JoLynn Chacon (NAVTA State Representative), Janelle Reynolds (Treasurer), Lindsey Schoepfle (Secretary)

Start: 7:35 pm

End: 8:38pm

CALL TO ORDER-Carolynn Hamilton

OFFICER UPDATES

- Lindsey has possession of the USB drive from the previous Secretary

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Lindsey is still in the process of reaching out for sponsorships.
 - Meeting with Merck on 5/16/23
 - Still no response from Royal Canin and Hill's Reps
 - Has a day scheduled this month for cold calls
- Janelle has completed a donation from Dr. Tim Hanosh to CNM
- Jodi Beers is interested in a legislative committee position but unable to commit at this time
 - Carolyn to check in with her in a month
- A quorum is needed to approve meeting minutes - so far not achieved by email.
 - Motion to approve February meeting minutes by Hannah, seconded by Lindsey. The motion is approved unanimously
 - Motion to approve March meeting minutes by Carolyn, seconded by Janelle. The motion is approved unanimously
- The contract for the Conference venue was signed by Carolynn on 4/20/23 and a check was written for \$1398.00
 - Carolyn motions to send the contract and check by certified mail to be paid for by NMRVTA. Seconded by Janelle. The motion is approved.
- Speakers for the conference
 - We currently have 3 speakers reserved for the CE conference
 - We will continue to consider Flourish Veterinary Consulting - \$500/hour for a

- remote speaker
- Janelle to reach out to speakers she works with
- Recommendation received from a NMRVTA member for Dr. Peter Brofman and Dr. Ashleigh Olds-Sanchez, Hannah and JoLynn will reach out to them
- Lindsey to reach out to potential sponsors to ask for Conference speakers
- Janelle to reach out to Dr. Daniel Levenson for a potential exotic lecture
- Hannah will reach out to Dr. Julie Blossom, the previous veterinarian for the Albuquerque Zoo.
- Hannah recommends that the Board consider a time to look at conference space before the day of the conference to prepare. Carolyn will reach out to her contact at the venue to find a date that is available for viewing.

NEW BUSINESS

- NAVTA has requested a call to action from members regarding a credentialing option for Washington State Veterinary Technicians.
 - Carolyn will email the NMRTVA members in support of the call to action
- Carolyn had emailed a spreadsheet to the board regarding possible venues for fundraising events.
 - Rio Bravo is willing to waive the fee for venue space as well as donate \$1/beer sold
 - Janelle recommends exploring potential space at Railyard and Flea Market
 - Potentially pet photography and nail trims to be offered at the event
 - Sunday, July 23rd was recommended for a potential fundraising event. Carolyn motions, and Lindsey seconds. Board approves and Carolyn will reach out to venues to see what dates are available and if shade is available.
- Carolyn proposes a motion to approve and distribute form letters regarding the scope of practice to membership.
- NMBVM next meeting scheduled for 5/3/23 @ 1pm
- Hannah proposes a motion to explore t-shirt fundraising.
 - JoLynn proposes a motion to explore an online platform to design and distribute shirts.
 - Carolyn will reach out to a local shop in order to get information for polo shirts for Board members and/or for a small batch for on-hand fundraising
- Carolyn explored the Wave system with her own business and thinks that it could be useful to utilize.
 - Janelle motions to use Wave for NMRVTA business. Hannah seconds. The motion is passed.
- Carolyn proposes a motion to share the scope of practice document posted on our website to interested legislators. Lindsey seconds. The motion is passed.
- Arizona and Utah Veterinary Technician Associations reached out via email as far as partnering for fundraising and membership drives. Carolyn will respond with interest and get more information.
- Emily DiMarco requested a meeting via Zoom regarding a CE event in Austin, TX. Carolyn will reach out to her for possible scheduling.
- Carolyn will reach out to SWVS regarding the partnership for their conference.

MEETING CALLED TO CLOSE AT 8:38 PM - Carolyn Hamilton