## Minutes of the American Association of Bovine Practitioners Business Luncheon

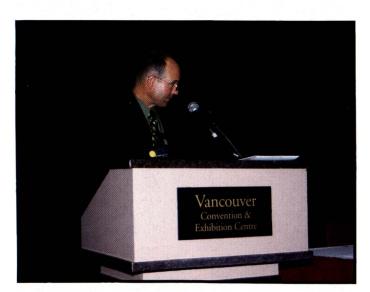
23 September 2007 Pan Pacific Convention Center Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

The meeting was called to order by President Charlie Hatcher at 12:00 p.m. President Hatcher began by welcoming those in attendance and holding a moment of silence for those members who had passed away since the last business meeting. Dr. Hatcher had a special moment of silence for Linda Van Dyke, who passed away suddenly in July 2007 and was the AABP Administrative Assistant at the time of her death. Dr. Hatcher then presented the minutes of the Saint Paul, Minnesota, meeting for approval. On motion with second, the 2006 Business Meeting minutes were approved. President Hatcher introduced the current AABP Board of Directors, the VIP guests in attendance and each District and those in attendance, by district. All students in attendance were also recognized. Dr. Hatcher thanked the officers and volunteers for their service during the past year, thanked the Program Committee Chair for the excellent program.

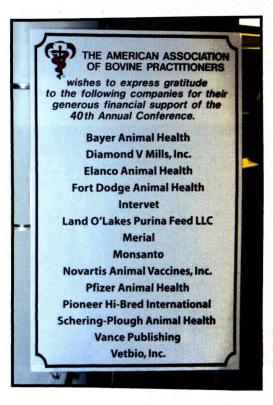
Dr. Mark Wustenberg presented the Treasurer's report, describing AABP's current finances in positive terms. He reported that AABP has assets of \$1.5 million, and equity of \$1.2 million. The switch to a new auditing firm was successful. His term will end at the end of the year, and Dr. Brian Reed will succeed him. On motion with second, the Treasurer's report was approved.

Dr. Gatz Riddell gave the Executive Vice President's report. He said that it had been a challenging year with the death of Ms. Linda Van Dyke. Dr. Riddell gave an update on Mrs. Jim Jarrett's health with the news of recently initiated chemotherapy. The 40th Annual Conference had a record attendance, with the following breakdown of attendees: 1177 regular registrants, 35 recent graduates, 185 students, 101 AASRP members, 20 veterinary technicians, 284 accompanying persons and 371 vendors. Twenty-one countries were represented with 194 attendees from Canada and 39 from Denmark. Membership has remained relatively stable. Dr. Riddell commended the AVMA as they provide a significant amount of resources for food supply veterinary medicine.

Dr. Riddell stated that the AABP has a three prong mission: continuing education, recruitment into bovine medicine and advocacy on issues important to the cattle industry. In closing, Dr. Riddell thanked the following



Dr. Charlie Hatcher, AABP President, calls the 2007 AABP Business Meeting to order.



people: Dr. Hutchins and the exhibitors-they provide the resources and support for a great meeting; our major sponsors as noted inside the cover of the meeting program; the Board of Directors with their progressive and innovative thinking and leadership; Dr. Charlie Hatcher as President; Information Technology Coordinate Steve Johnson for the diligent and cutting edge work on the website and the myriad of databases that he manages for AABP; Lisa Zent with Experient; Dr. Julie Gard and the Auburn University students who stuffed the conference bags; Dr. Patty Scharko who helped with registration; Dr. Gary and Nancy Daly who were at the Registration desk every day; Ms. Jane Allen-who took on a lot of extra responsibilities when Linda Van Dyke passed away; Dr. Hui Chu Lin, a long time friend and associate at Auburn University, who has been an integral part of the conference; Sandra Himes from the Rome office staff; and his family - Wes, Molly, and especially his wife - Dr. Kay Riddell for their hours of work and high degree of tolerance.

AVMA President Dr. Greg Hammer thanked the members of AABP for their support of issues that members are been involved with and for their service on various committees that affect our industry. AVMA has 75,000 members. Dr. Hammer discussed two new programs that they have instituted. He then encouraged AABP members to get politically involved, and contact their congressmen and ask them to support House Bill 1232.

The Vice-President of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association, Dr. Julie de Moissac, welcomed AABP to the city of Vancouver, and thanked us for choosing Canada as the site for our conference. Dr. de Moissac said that it was an honor to be associated with AABP.

Dr. Tye Perrett of the Canadian Association of Bovine Veterinarians spoke briefly, and said that Canada has four bovine or food animal associations and the CABV was formed to represent all Canadian bovine practitioners in issues that can be impacted at the national level.

Bruce Knight, Undersecretary for the Department of Agriculture, discussed the current projects of the USDA. He discussed both the Farm Bill, and the national identification system (NAIS). NAIS is designed to be used in the event of a catastrophic or foreign animal disease outbreak.

Dr. Otto Scenzi, from the World Association of Buiatrics, spoke briefly and thanked AABP for inviting him to the conference. He encouraged everyone to attend the next congress in Budapest, Hungary and advised AABP members to visit the WBC website for updates.

Dr. Lisa Willis announced the winners of the Student Case Competition Awards. First and second place presentations were selected from both clinical and research cases. For the clinical case category, Jonathan Mays of Auburn University won first place, and Andrea Barton of Washington State University was awarded second place. In the research case category, Kaelynn Moury of North Carolina State University won first place, and L. Curt Vogel of Kansas State University was awarded second place.

Dr. Jim Floyd announced the winners of the Graduate Student Awards. First place was awarded to Dr. Jodi Wallace of the University of Montreal; second place was awarded to Dr. Nicole Perkins from the University of Guelph; third place in the competition resulted in the following tie: Dr. Ulrike Sorge from the University of Guelph and Dr. Jocelyn Dubec from the University of Montreal.

Dr. Glenn Rogers of Pfizer Animal Health introduced Dr. Gordon Atkins to present the AABP-Pfizer Distinguished Service Award to Dr. Rod Sydenham.



Dr. Charlie Hatcher, left, recognizes retiring chair of the Amstutz Scholarship Committee, Dr. David McClary.



Dr. Charlie Hatcher, left, recognizes Dr. Reny Lothrop, who retired as Director of District 12.

Dr. Joe Dedrickson introduced Dr. Jim Furman to present the Merial Award for Excellence in Preventive Medicine - Beef to Dr. Shawn Blood.

Dr. Joe Dedrickson also introduced Dr. John Ferry to present the Merial Award for Excellence in Preventive Medicine - Dairy to Dr. Robert LaDue.

Dr. Lance Fox introduced Dr. Glen Johnson to present the AABP-Alpharma Award of Excellence to Dr. Garrett Oetzel.

Dr. John Schnackel introduced Dr. Rob Bell to present the AABP-Fort Dodge Bovine Practitioner of the Year to Dr. Wayne Shewfelt.

Dr. Scott Nordstrom presented the Intervet Mentor of the Year Award posthumously to Dr. Otto Radostits. The award was accepted by Dr. Steven Radostits.

Dr. Charlie Hatcher thanked his wife and family for their support during his year as President of AABP. He also thanked Dr. Gatz Riddell for his tireless efforts and the headquarters staff for their support.

In closing, Dr. Hatcher installed and welcomed AABP's new officer and new directors: Dr. Mike Bolton, President; Dr. Dick Wallace, President-Elect; Dr. Roger Saltman, Vice-President; Dr. Guy Boisclair, District Director 12; Dr. Art Donovan, District Director 3; Dr. Bill Seglar, District Director 6; and Dr. John Schnackel, District Director 9.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jane B. Allen AABP Headquarters



Dr. Greg Hammer, AVMA President, addresses the AABP membership.



Dr. Dawn Bush-Crouch, right, is recognized for her service as the retiring chair of the Food Quality, Safety and Security Committee by President Charlie Hatcher.



Dr. Mike Bolton presents the President's Award to outgoing President, Dr. Charlie Hatcher.

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