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The Committee met on October 27, 2019 at the Rhode Island Convention Center in Providence, Rhode Island, from [enter time]. There were 15 members and 28 guests present. [Include other pertinent information regarding the beginning of your Committee session, such a review of previous resolutions, introductions, or other notices and announcements.]

Presentations & Reports

Title: Vet-LIRN Update for AAVLD 10-27

Presenter/Affiliation: Renate Reimschuessel, FDA

Summary of Presentation:

Update on the Blinded method studies done this past year. This was followed with a correlation between Vet-LIRN and HAHLN. And the new items on food contamination and validation of tests for this coming year.

Title: Perceived Risks of Transboundary movement of African Swine Fever Virus in Non Animal Origin Feed Ingredients.

Presenter & Affiliation: Dr. Bruce Wagner

Summary: Examination of how African swine fever could enter the USA through various feed components, carrying totes. Knowing that PED entered the US through this fashion we should be proactive now to examine these methods to put prevention mechanisms in place if possible.

Title: The Buzz about Bees

Presenter and Affiliation: Dr. Karyn Bischoff

Summary: Bees are food animals. What toxicants are bees they exposed to, and how should veterinarians mitigate these exposures? What diseases are affecting bees and how can/should veterinarians be involved? The Veterinary Feed Directive indicates Veterinarians are involved in this food producing animal's life. But do veterinarians recognize toxic substances affecting bee health and bee biology? A wonderful summary of opportunities to protect bees and for veterinarians to be involved with this food producing industry.

Committee Business:

The Committee reluctantly accepted the resignation of Dr. Garland. The Committee also accepted that as Past Chair she will continue to act in an advisory capacity.

The Committee made one motion to explore with the One Health Committee and the Salmonella subcommittee the possibility of having a Salmonella Symposium on Saturday for maximum attendance.

Salmonella touches us as disease affecting human beings, small animals, large animals, food producing animals, and feed itself for both animals and the diets. .

Information regarding proposed seminar: Because Salmonella affects so many aspects of the veterinarians life, and the many stories and cases related by committee members, it was decided these needed a broader audience and we would like to explore with the above committees the opportunity for a day or half day seminar.