American Association of Avian Pathologists Update

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Mission: The AAAP promotes scientific knowledge to enhance the health, well-being, and productivity of poultry to provide safe and abundant food for the world.
* Net assets are $1,065,922
  * Increase of $30,300
* Overall FY net revenue increased by $27,599
  * Membership growth
  * Investment growth
* Annual meeting sponsorship increased with 80 sponsors contributing $170,650
  * 10% increase over previous year
* In 2018 AAAP sponsored the 2nd International Necrotic Enteritis Symposium
  * Anticipated net profit of $38,185
* Educational materials sales remained strong, in great part due to the publication of “Gross Pathology of Avian Disease”
  * Authored by Tahseen Abdul-Aziz and John Barnes
* The 14th edition of “Diseases of Poultry” will be available by January 2020
Avian Diseases journal continues to provide substantial royalties

AAAP eliminated page charges for members and reduced charges for non-members to encourage more manuscript submissions

Plan to increase advertising revenue to offset the decrease in page charges
Membership

- Membership increased by 32 to 926 members
- Important for all US members who are veterinarians to be AVMA members so the organization can continue to have representatives on the House of Delegates and important AVMA committees
AAAP BOD held a strategic planning session with resulting goals:

1. Recruit and retain members
2. Expand scientific information base
3. Improve member experience
4. Foster relationships with external organizations that influence issues important to AAAP members
5. Support AAAP management team
6. Strengthen AAAP’s financial stability
Annual Meeting

- Held in Washington DC
  - 500 attendees from 20 countries
- The symposium “Investigating Disease and Assessing Productivity Using Epidemiological Tools” was well received
- Include more epidemiologic presentations in future programs
Two significant proposals were discussed

1. Revision of bylaws

No major revisions since 1957

Proposed changes included:

- Membership changed to two categories; voting members (and if USA based must be AVMA members) and associate members
- All use of districts is eliminated for membership categories as well as for electing Directors
Associate member (voting) and student member (non-voting) were added to the BOD

All Directors will serve 4 year terms (previously undefined for District Directors and 2 years for Director At-Large)

Nominations for Directors may be from both the Nominating Committee and the membership

Nominations Committee has been increased from 3 to 5 members, Past President serves as chairperson
Business

- A procedures manual will be added
- The second major proposal was to hold the annual meeting independently from the AVMA in 2021
- This proposal was tabled for 1 year
AAAP Foundation

- Supports scholarships, preceptorships and awards
- Funding has increased significantly in recent years
  - Endowment for scholarships and awards is $1,000,000
  - Corporate annual giving has increased to $69,100
- Twenty-one scholarships totaling $69,000 and 17 preceptorships totaling $20,000 were distributed
- The first Avian Bioscience Travel Scholarship for non-DVM research students was awarded
Two new scholarship funds have been created

- AAAP Women’s Network Scholarship
- Foundation Yan Ghazikhanian Scholarship
Future

- Continue recruitment of new members
- Improve revenue from education products
- Proposal for meeting independent of AVMA
- Proposal to rename the organization to better represent the activities of the membership