

## **WAVMA Student Committee**

The Student Committee was established to foster communications and networking amongst WAVMA student members, and to increase and facilitate activities to increase student exposure to, and opportunities in aquatic veterinary medicine.

### **Charge/Objectives**

The Committee is charged to facilitate discussion and networking between WAVMA student members through, but not limited to, the following:

1. Encouraging new WAVMA membership through the development of relevant veterinary student programs and services;
2. Identifying and disseminating information on aquatic veterinary externships, internships, residencies and other educational opportunities;
3. Identifying issues and stimulating discussion through WAVMA listservs, publications, surveys and other media, on aquatic veterinary issues of importance to veterinary students;
4. Building relationships and collaboration between WAVMA and other veterinary student groups and organizations that are interested in aquatic veterinary medicine;
5. Examining and developing a WAVMA veterinary student mentorship program; and,
6. Assisting other WAVMA committees address student affairs and issues.

### **Structure, Membership and Appointment**

- The Committee will consist of at least three members who will serve a 1-year term.
- Committee Membership is open to any WAVMA member in good standing, currently enrolled in a recognized veterinary degree program, or veterinarians who have graduated within the previous three years.
- The Committee shall annually elect a chair and vice-chair to serve a one-year term.
- The Committee may delegate specific tasks to subcommittees or working groups.
- Veterinarians who are, or have been University teaching faculty, staff or Professors can serve as non-voting advisors to the Committee.

### **Meetings:**

The Committee shall meet on a regular basis, preferably monthly, through electronic means (such as e-mail, telephone or internet conference calls, etc) and are encouraged to meet in-person at least annually at the Association's Annual General Meeting or other suitable locations, to do the Committee Business.

### **Funding:**

Any actual costs for activities or programs developed and implemented by this Committee must be approved by the Executive Board.

### **Reports:**

- The Committee shall advise the Executive Board and other committees on student issues, and seek Executive Board approval for implementing programs within the charge of the Committee.
- The Committee shall provide periodic updates to WAVMA members and relevant committees on Committee activities, as necessary.
- The Committee shall provide a written progress report to the Executive Board at least 30 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, and an annual report for inclusion into the Association's Annual Report before November 30 of each year.

### **Life Expectancy:**

The Committee will remain in effect indefinitely, and its output will be reviewed by the Executive Board at least annually to determine the functional efficacy of the Committee.

**Date approved by Board:** September 10, 2010

### **Members:**

Justin Krol (Chair)  
Megan Strobel (Vice Chair)  
Whitney Greene

Jessica Allen  
Sarah Knowles  
Austin McConnell  
Alicia Morse  
Ross Neethling  
Stephen Reichley  
Wesley Sinard  
Justin Stilwell

***Ex officio:***

Devon Dublin  
David Scarfe  
Chris Walster