



Minutes

Minutes for the Annual General Meeting of the Small Ruminant Chapter of the Australian and New Zealand College of Veterinary Scientists

**Via Zoom on
Sunday 4th August 2024**

1. Welcome and apologies.

Present:

Sandra Baxendell
Diane Ryan
Bruce Allworth
Karyn Heath
Kristine Rayner
Robert Suter
Wendy Goodwin
Richard Side
David Tabrett
Sophie Hemley

Stephen Alderman (ANZCVS)
Mary Anne Hiscutt (ANZCVS)

Apologies:
None taken

2. Declaration of any proxy/ absentee votes not known to the Chair.
No proxy/ absentee votes.

3. To confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held at 3pm
on 4th August 2023.

Moved: Diane Ryan
Seconder: Sandra Baxendell
All in favour of confirming the minutes.

4. To receive and consider reports of the Treasurer report including:

4.1 Financial Statements and Treasurer's Report for 23/24.

No involvement in Science week in 23/24 financial year, therefore this was not a source of income. Subscriptions and FAMACHA card trading was income. Will likely

need to purchase more FAMACHA cards this financial year. Still awaiting on cost for FAMACHA card price, likely in the vicinity of \$2000AUD. \$9,569.12 balance. \$10 membership fee.

Moved: Robert Suter
Second: Bruce Allworth.
All in favour.

5. To receive and consider the President's report:
 - a. Diane Ryan achieved Fellowship. Sandra Baxendell became life member of UK goat veterinary society.
 - b. Approached by the Sheep, Goat and Camelid AVA SIG to form a new chapter called Livestock Production Consultants Chapter. Aim is to provide educational avenue for livestock consultancy due to lack of veterinary professional opportunities. Discussed at a committee meeting and Chapter has decided to offer support. The constitution has been changed and circulated to reflect this chapter change. Procedure is to Join the college, then developing subject outline, then finding examiners, then calling for examinations. Bruce Allworth voiced concerns around competition in retaining chapter members.
 - c. Many FAMACHA card sales but limit hands on courses but has recorded Zoom training. Agreement with South African Veterinary Association requires training prior to sale of cards.
 - d. Minor changes made to college website. Contributions made to the Courier, always welcoming new content.
 - e. Examiners required for this financial year.

Moved: Robert Suter
Second: Diane Ryan.
All in favour.

6. Call for nominations, vote and declaration of the names of Officers of the Chapter.

Vote and declaration of the names of Officers of the Chapter (Executive).

President: Sandra Baxendell, Nominated: Diane Ryan. Seconded: Sophie Hemley

President Elect: No nomination

Treasurer: Rob Suter. Nominated Sandra Baxendell. Seconded: Bruce Allworth

Secretary: Sophie Hemley. Nominated: Sandra Baxendell. Seconded: Bruce Allworth

Committee: Vicki McLean

Committee: Richard Sides

Committee: Diane Ryan

7. Call for nominations, vote and declaration of the names of the Chapter Examinations Committee.

Subject standards Committee:

Bruce Allworth (Chair), Nominated: Sandra Baxendell

Kym Abbott

Richard Sides

Kristine Rayner

Subject examinations committee:

Sheep:

Rob Sutter (Chair), to appoint examiners.

Goat:

Dianne Ryan (Chair), to appoint examiners.

8. Call for expressions of interest for examiners and Head Subject Examiners.

No EOIs, chair of relevant committee to appoint examiners.

Require list of members who have completed training to set multiple choice exams questions, College will provide this list. College has guidelines and template for MCQ setting, this training is not essential for those wishing to submit questions. Opportunity to do ongoing online training. Guidelines available from College.

9. Other Chapter business.

- a. Inclusion of Livestock Consultants and the need to change the constitution to include this subchapter. Request to update Constitution from College approved and positive feedback received. All in agreement.
- b. New members, Kristine Rayner to be involved in the subject standards
- c. Sheep, Goat and Camelid vets hosting international conference in 2024. Papers end of December.
- d. Committee meeting in next 4-6 weeks.

10. Time and location of next Annual General Meeting.

1st Sunday in August 2025, 2pm via Zoom.

(Note this is now Sunday 27th July)

11. Meeting close 2.36pm.