

November 29, 2022

Dear ACVIM Community,

Earlier this month, the ACVIM Board of Regents held its final meeting of 2022. During this meeting, the Board took the following actions:

- Reviewed preliminary revisions to the following ACVIM strategic objectives:
 - Engagement and Outreach
 - Training and Education
 - Certification
 - Leadership
 - Research and Discovery

The proposed revisions reflect the culmination of a three-phase strategic planning process, which included feedback gathered from ACVIM leaders during a pre-Forum workshop. Once finalized, these objectives will guide our work to serve our community of Diplomates, Members, and Candidates. We expect this work to be complete by the end of the year, and we will share the final language with you in early 2023.

- Approved the 2023 priorities and related budget:
 - Implement improved examination scheduling capability, technology delivery, and quality control of exam content
 - Maestro Launch Phase I of (Maintenance of Credentials) MOC and Board Certification (candidate tracking)
 - RTP Phase III
 - RTP Oversight Task Force
 - Creation of a relevant, targeted member and candidate communications and support strategy, including waiver of fees for candidates retaking an exam in 2023
 - Development of a Mentoring Program
 - Establish and onboard the Certification Council (If approved by the members as part of the current bylaws revisions)
 - Launch Fellowship Program
 - Finalize integration of Nutrition membership and certification programs
 - Define a vision and strategy for educational portfolio
 - Execute findings from marketing and communication consulting engagement
 - Celebrate 40th ACVIM Forum and 50th ACVIM Anniversaries
- Approved a strategic review of the Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine (JVIM). This work will include engagement with authors, readers, members and other stakeholders. Led by Co-Editors-in-Chief Steven DiBartola and Ken Hinchcliff, the Steering Committee plans to make recommendations to the Board of Regents by November 2023.
- Reviewed a draft of the AAVMC Recommendations for Veterinary Intern & Resident Wellbeing. This document defines recommendations for institutions and their leaders to consider as a means of improving intern and resident wellbeing. ACVIM leaders are reaching out to various stakeholder groups to discuss these recommendations and will consider whether to sign on as a supporting organization.

- Welcomed the following new Board members, whose service will begin in January, 2023:
 - Sarah Gillings, incoming ACVIM President-elect
 - Glenna Mauldin, incoming Nutrition President
 - Bill Tyrrell, incoming ACVIM Treasurer
 - Chad Johannes, incoming Oncology President

- Lastly, the Board thanked the following members of the Board, whose terms end at the end of this year:
 - Ruthanne Chun, Oncology President
 - Laura Garrett, Immediate Past Chair
 - Harold McKenzie, Chair (moving to Immediate Past Chair)
 - Maryanne Murphy, Nutrition President
 - Allen Roussel, ACVIM Treasurer

As outgoing President, I want to thank you, the ACVIM Community, for your engagement in the activities of the College. We look forward to continuing our efforts to support you in 2023. I want to thank our staff for all their hard work to strengthen our College as we moved out of the pandemic this year, and Linda Fineman and Shannon Carter for their tireless efforts to ensure that we continue to maintain our reputation as a leader in advancement of specialty veterinary medicine.

Sincerely,



Jane Sykes
ACVIM President