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Policy Reviews

The following documents were reviewed, approved, or amended and approved by Council.

- The Budget 2009-2010 was approved.
- The Policy “**Companion Animal Practices Obtain Signed, Informed Consent Forms**” was rescinded; this has been replaced with the Guidelines: **Informed Owner Consent**.
- The Policies “**Animal Rehabilitation in Veterinary Practice**” and “**Chiropractic Care of Animals**” were rescinded; these have been replaced with the Position Statement: **Complementary and Alternative Veterinary Medicine**.
- Draft Guidelines on **Medical Records for Food Animal, Equine, and Poultry Practice** were reviewed, and approved in principle; staff was directed to circulate the documents to stakeholders for comment. A survey will be included with the Food Animal Practice and Equine Practice Guidelines.
- A draft Position Statement on **Temporary Emergency Facilities** was reviewed, and approved in principle; staff was directed to circulate the document to stakeholders for comment.
- The Position Statement on **Companion Animal Mobiles Serving Multiple Clients in One Location** was reviewed, and approved in principle; staff was directed to circulate the document to stakeholders for comment.
- A draft Position Statement on **Reporting Suspected Animal Abuse** was returned to staff for amendment and will be returned to Council.
- A draft Position Statement on **Marketing, Advertising, and Steering** was deferred to a future meeting.

- A Policy Issue Review Form on **Rabies Clinics** was reviewed; Dr. Clare Craig was appointed to work with staff on a draft Position Statement.
- A Policy Issue Review Form on **Exemptions to Accreditation Requirement for Companion Animal Mobiles** was forwarded to the Accreditation Committee for research and discussion; suggestions are to be forwarded to Council for further action.
- A Policy Issue Review Form on **Providing Veterinary Services to an Employer's Animals** was reviewed. The Policy Manager will review and research the issues discussed. Dr. Tim Arthur was appointed to assist staff.
- A Policy Issue Review Form on the **Definition of VCPR** (Veterinarian-Client-Patient Relationship) was reviewed. Mr. Mike Buis was appointed to work with staff on a draft Position Statement and brochures.

Reports

- Reports were provided on the activities of Statutory Committees for the previous 6 months.
- Oral reports were provided by the President and Registrar.