

**Biennial General Meeting of the ISVO**  
October 11, 2017  
Baltimore, USA

**Present:**

Gil Ben Shlomo  
Nancy Bromberg  
Carmen Colitz  
Allyson Groth  
David Maggs  
Bianca Martins  
Uchenna Nlebedum  
Kangmoon Seo  
Adriana Teixeira  
Sandra van der Woerd

**Apologies & Proxies:**

Chandrakanthi Athauda  
Peter Bedford  
Alexia Cattaneo  
Joe Laus  
Claudio Peruccio  
Bruce Robertson  
Karolina Roszak  
Akihiko Saito  
Bruce Silverman  
Felipe Wouk

**Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 PM by President, Dr. David Maggs. It was determined that a quorum of the voting members was present at the meeting.

Dr Maggs reviewed the recent history of the ISVO and the creation of group membership over the past few years. At the present time the following organizations have group membership in the ISVO: AiCVO, AiSVO, ANZCVS-OC, BRAVO, ECVO, and SOVI.

**Approval of the minutes of the 2015 meeting (attached)**

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the 2015 meeting as written. This was seconded and passed unopposed

**Financial report (attached)**

Dr Maggs discussed the financial report of the ISVO which was distributed to the members in attendance.

**Secretary's Report (verbal)**

There are 86 individual members of the ISVO as of September 2017 in addition to the members who have joined as part of a group membership.

The Bausch and Lomb Scholarship of \$2500 has been awarded to 3 applicants this year. The recipients are Drs. Arnold Lavaud, Agnieszka Balicka, and Gabriela Morais Madruga.

**Board member elections**

Nominations for the Board were as follows:

Dr. Allyson Groth – Member  
Dr. CT Lin – Member  
Dr. David Maggs – Immediate Past President and Treasurer  
Dr. Kangmoon Seo – President

No other members were nominated from the floor. All nominees were confirmed by unanimous vote of the members present.

Drs. Wouk and Bedford have elected not to fulfill their complete ISVO Board member term. They will be replaced by Drs. Teixeira and Beranek for the remainder of their term.

A motion was introduced to permit waiving the membership fee for current ISVO Board members. This was passed unanimously.

#### Website

Dr Ben Shlomo discussed the history of the website of the ISVO ([www.isvo.info](http://www.isvo.info)). This website was created in 2013 and is in need of an upgrade to include a database of the members. Projected cost is approximately \$3,500-5,000 plus annual maintenance expenses.

Dr Ben Shlomo encouraged all to participate in the ISVO Facebook discussions.

#### CE Programs

The Continuing education program in Auckland in 2012 was a great success. The program in 2016 in Colombia was less well attended and resulted in a financial loss for the ISVO. A discussion was started regarding the 2018 WSAVA meeting. It was agreed that having a veterinarian residing in the area involved with the organization of the conference was of great benefit. Dr Seo may have a lead for a veterinarian in the area.

#### Committees

If the ISVO is to expand its functions, this will require more members becoming involved than just the Board members. Plans were discussed to create a Continuing Education committee and a Scholarship committee

#### Other New Business

The Acrivet scholarship winners will be announced on both the VOPH and ACVO distribution list.

Dr Bianca Martins was welcomed as the Associate Editor of *The Globe* and thanked for her help so far. The suggestion was made to include an update on previous scholarship winners in *The Globe*.

Dr Kangmoon Seo was introduced as the new President of the ISVO. He addressed the membership and thanked Dr Maggs for his years of service to the ISVO in many roles, including the Presidency.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Alexandra van der Woerd, DVM, MS, ACVO, ECVO  
ISVO Secretary

**ISVO Financial Report 2014-2016**  
**Presented at Biennial General Meeting (Baltimore)**  
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	31-Dec-15		31-Dec-16	
	Debit	Credit	Debit	Credit
First Northern Bank	\$12,532.07		\$8,338.80	
First Northern Bank CD	\$20,070.15		\$20,130.61	
PayPal Cash	\$3,334.75		\$5,022.84	
Opening Balance Equity		\$43,352.30		\$35,936.97
Biennial Conference Income		\$0.00		\$1,870.00
Exhibitors fees		\$0.00		\$0.00
Interest Income		\$60.12		\$60.46
Membership Dues		\$1,650.00		\$100.00
Scholarship Income		\$7,000.00		\$7,500.00
Advertising	\$167.76		\$150.36	
Bank Fees	\$454.25		\$188.00	
Accounting/Legal Fees	\$1,386.00		\$1,262.50	
Contributions	\$672.00		\$1,500.00	
Fees	\$40.00		\$52.00	
Insurance	\$754.00		\$754.00	
Travel/Meals/Entertainment	\$0.00		\$1,327.50	
Miscellaneous	\$90.75		\$0.00	
Scholarships	\$7,500.00		\$2,500.00	
Taxes	\$0.00		\$0.00	
Conference expenses	\$5,060.69		\$5,929.91	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$52,062.42</b>	<b>\$52,062.42</b>	<b>\$47,156.52</b>	<b>\$45,467.43</b>

Comments:

1. Overall cash on hand dropped about 5k due to costs of reorganization but has been stable at about 35k dollars for the last 2 years
2. We suffered a loss on our Cartagena conference
3. The introduction of group registration will be reflected in the next financial report (2016-18)
4. Rationalization of the Society's legal and taxation situation is now complete and legal, insurance and accounting fees are stable at about 1500 per annum
5. The Acrivet scholarship is a cost-neutral and highly meritorious venture. B&L have taken over Acrivet's responsibility but requires an annual request (which could be denied)

Respectfully submitted

David Maggs