

Minutes of the 2001 CAVEPM meeting

Charlottetown, P.E.I

May 13th, 2001

The meeting was opened and the agenda presented by Drs Dohoo and Martin

Dr Martin gave a brief history of the formation of CAVE and then CAVEPM. Its initial success including our involvement as sponsors and organizers of the 1991 ISVEE in Ottawa was noted. In the mid 1990s the interest appeared to wane significantly. The informal gathering at ISVEE 2000 in Colorado, organized by Susan Wilson was noted. Dr Dohoo discussed the contents of this meeting and how it led to the current meeting being held in Charlottetown. He then outlined the general strategy for future meetings, based on that discussion and his experience in organizing the current meeting.

It was generally agreed that the approach as used in Charlottetown is a good idea and should be pursued for future meetings. No specific additions or deletions to the program were suggested.

The members were directed to the current CAVEPM statutes, printed with the research papers. The complexity of the statutes were noted and Drs Martin and Dohoo presented a much briefer set of statutes called "A Proposed Statutes of the CAVEPM". Article 1 outlines the specific objective of CAVEPM which is to hold annual scientific meetings of its members. The articles are modelled on those of the ISVEE, and after some discussion the members agreed to use these as our interim statutes. It was acknowledged that we will have to formally agree to change the statutes from the old (previous) to the interim (current), and that this should likely occur at the next meeting. A genuine effort will be made to contact all members of the previous CAVEPM prior to this meeting.

One issue in the previous statutes is that CAVEPM members must also be members of the CVMA. It was agreed that Dr Martin would contact the CVMA and raise the issue of CAVEPM staying affiliated with the CVMA, although we are unlikely to hold meetings in conjunction with theirs and we do not wish to restrict our members to theirs.

Based on the interim statutes the members of the National Management Committee (NMC) were established as:

- Dr Ian Dohoo Chair
- Dr Wayne Martin Secretary/Treasurer
- Dr Luc Descôteaux Vice-Chair from St Hyacinthe
- Either Dr Campbell or Waldner Vice-Chair from Saskatoon
- Dr Sylvie Farez Vice-Chair from CFIA

The membership list will be kept in electronic form and communication will be by email. Dr Dohoo to establish the initial list. It is likely that a permanent Webpage will be established as we believe that Dr Theresa Bernardo agreed to register our name following the ISVEE in Colorado.

It was agreed that the 2002 meeting will be held in Guelph and the major topic for the short course will likely be spatial statistics. Dr Martin is to ensure that a Local Organizing Committee be established to plan, organize and implement this meeting. The 2003 meeting will be held in St Hyacinthe, topic to be announced. Luc Decoteau will likely be the chair of the local organizing committee. A brief discussion occurred about the potential impact of the 2003 ISVEE in Chile but we believe it should have little impact.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM.