PVMA Minutes for May 17, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Cristine Mincheff. Self introductions were made. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved with correction of a spelling error. Charlene Edinboro moved to approve the amended minutes and Cynthia Cook seconded the motion.

Rabies Committee

Charlene reminded us that for exemption submissions we need a <u>valid</u> medical reason and age alone is not sufficient. Rabies titer is not required but will support the application. <u>Microchips</u> are not optional; they are required. The submissions should be on hospital letterhead.

CVMA Board of Governors

Dr. Chris Cowing reported on several upcoming bills including a California bill on unlicensed practice and a national bill requiring vets to give a written prescription even if it's filled in house and to notify clients of their right to buy drugs online. On the latter bill he encouraged us to write by mail to Anna Eshoo. Chris also encouraged us to participate in the California Medical Reserve Corp, reported that VISC is doing well and announced the Pacific Vet Conference is in Anaheim this year.

CVMA House of Delegates

The next meeting will be just before the Pac Vet conference in June and an alternate delegate is needed. Please contact Dana Gleason if interested.

Treasurer's Report

Dr. Dani Weber reported that we will lose money if all members were to attend the meetings, and that therefore the executive board approved for dues to be raised to \$225 next year, and by \$25 per year until the dues reach \$300. There was no voiced opposition to the dues increase for next year, but after some discussion, Cynthia Cook moved for the executive board to reconsider the 4 year planned increase and Kim Boyanowski seconded the motion, which passed.

Old Business

A promotional postcard for the PVMA is being designed and the costs of printing and mailing are being evaluated.

New Business

Please send emails to Christine Mincheff with comments or suggestions to make the PVMA better, more well attended or whatever might concern you.

The continuing education lecture was given by Dr. Charlene Edinboro on Feline Hyperthyroidism.