O.A.E.P. Executive Meeting Minutes

July 26th, 2017 (Conference Call)

Present: Dr. Pat Meyers, Dr. Amy Bennett, Dr. Jenna Donaldson, Dr. Kathy Heyes

1) Collegiality Meeting:
   - At Dr. Meyer's farm in Rockwood
   - Either Sept 17th or 24th – Dr. Meyers will poll exec by email
   - Speaker: Dr. Nathalie Cote
     - Topic: Significance of radiographic findings for ambulatory vets (ie different chips etc), what we can do as referring vets to maximize the success, colic updates (prognosis etc)
   - Alice put together an invitation to send to the practitioners
   - Dr. Meyers and Alice will make a plan in the near future and will delegate to other exec members

2) Website update: Re: Advertising etc.
   - Dr. Caldwell was going to reach out to smaller companies to gauge interest in sponsorship

3) Committee Updates
   a. Racing Committee
   - From Dr. Ballinger (by email)
   - 1) CPMA "towel ban" in test barns -- after consulting with CPMA & COSA, towels are now provided in WEG Standardbred test barns
     -horse people & test barn personnel are satisfied with the program

     2) CPMA "100 day" furosemide rule -- concerns for racehorses who don't respond well to furosemide treatment
     - currently working with COSA to amend this rule to fewer days on the program

     3) Protocol for biosecurity issues -- refer to OR / OMAFRA / OVC resources

     4) Pam Chesterfield has joined AGCo "Veterinarian Services" department
   - From Dr. Meyers: trying to institute a minimum 7 days between races rule for STBs – left up to AGCO, no further update at this time

   b. Welfare Committee
   - Dr. Bennett is meeting with the organizer of the Guelph/Wellington Women in Crisis Centre
   - Scheduling a subcommittee meeting at the end of the summer

   c. C.E. Update

- Cardio webinar did not happen, Dr. ter Woort can use her taped session, flexible dates – need to pick a date
- Florida vector disease expert could offer a webinar on this topic – also need to pick a date
- Dr. Meyers will send an email with some possible dates tomorrow

d. Treasurer's Report
Our membership in the OLPC was paid in June otherwise there has been no financial activity since the last executive meeting. Our bank balance is $30701.23

4) OVMA Updates
- Dr. Best not present

5) Biosecurity – Who should be involved (OMAFRA / OVC)
- AGCO needs a resource to reach out to
- Dr. Meyers will reach out to Dr. Heyes and Dr. Ballinger will work on a position statement

6) New Business
a. AGM Planning
- Dr. Meyers will reach out to Dr. Caldwell to start planning this
- Last year we were hoping to give 3 members awards but they were on vacation so presentation did not happen – Dr. Darryl Bonder, Dr. Mike Weber, and Dr. Laura Smith-Maxie
- It is generally held in the middle of Feb

7) Next Meeting?
- Tues Sept 12th – ideally at OVC in person – 6:30pm