

January 29, 2013 VBMA Special Board Meeting

Attendees: Cynthia Lankenau, Laurie Dohman, Beth Lambert

Absent: Jasmine Lyon, Barbara Fougere

We discussed Board leadership and membership in light of Hue Karreman's resignation due to personal and professional obligations.

In order to maintain continuity, Laurie Dohman motioned that:

Cynthia Lankenau resume the Presidency until the annual meeting at the AHVMA conference. (Cindy accepted the responsibility.) Beth Lambert seconded the motion. The motion passed by general consent.

Laurie discussed that she would be more comfortable remaining President elect for the next 8 months because she is currently enrolled in an Educational program at Tai Sophia. She mentioned there could be interesting connections to develop with Tai Sophia.

We discussed the need to fill open Board positions and reviewed the list of current members. We think that it would be appropriate to reach out to members who had shown interest by attending the annual meeting. Beth Lambert noted that Jane Morse had attended several annual meetings and suggested she be approached to determine her interest in joining the Board. Cindy agreed to contact her. Beth also will send a list of past attendees from her files so that we can develop a list of potential candidates.

February 5-7, 2013

Cynthia Lankenau approached Ihor Basko who is working on the Eco Tour to fill the open Board Position. Ihor expressed interest but would want to leave after the Eco tour. Cynthia proposed his candidacy to the Board. Board unanimously approved via email written consent and on February 7, 2013 the following was proposed to Ihor, which he accepted:

"The board would like to officially extend our invitation to join as a new past president until the regular meeting in 2013 at the AHVMA convention. Then you would become a board eco-tour consultant, while we hopefully have a new nominee take up as president-elect for the long six year haul, I will move into my past president position and Laurie will move into her President."