

Student American Veterinary Medical Association - Purdue University Chapter

Bylaws & Constitution

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ARTICLE I—NAME

Section 1. The name of the organization shall be THE STUDENT AMERICAN VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION - PURDUE UNIVERSITY CHAPTER (DBA: SAVMA Purdue).

ARTICLE II—OBJECTIVES

- To promote a spirit of friendly relations among the students regularly enrolled in the course of veterinary medicine.
- To provide an additional opportunity for the members to gain professional knowledge and an understanding of professional ethics and conduct.
- To demonstrate the virtues of organized effort and “provide opportunity for students to become involved in organized veterinary medicine.”
- To build character through the censorship of all unworthy actions of its members and the commendation of worthy deeds.
- To develop the characteristics of leadership through training received in conducting the Chapter’s affairs.
- To make available to the students the benefits and opportunities offered by the American Veterinary Medical Association to its Student Chapter.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERS

Section 1. The categories of membership are Student, Associate, and Honorary:

1. Student: all full-time students of veterinary medicine who are enrolled in a program of study leading to a professional veterinary degree to be granted by Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine.
2. Associate: ECFVG, NAVLE preparation and other students participating in the Veterinary Medical Education program may become associate members.
3. Honorary: members of the faculty and such others, as the Chapter Council may see fit to elect, may become honorary members.

Section 2. Membership and participation are free from discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, genetic information, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disability, or status as a veteran.

Section 3. Members of the Chapter are considered members of the Purdue Graduate Student Government. The relationship of the Chapter members with PGSG is described in the *SAVMA Purdue Policies and Procedures Manual*.

Section 4. Members of the Chapter will retain their membership only so long as they comply with the provisions of the Bylaws and the *SAVMA Purdue Policies and Procedures Manual*.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS

Section 1. The elected officers of the Chapter are President, President-Elect, Treasurer, Treasurer-Elect, Secretary, Secretary-Elect, the Student AVMA Delegates, the IVMA Student Representatives, the Class Representatives, Documents and Revisions Chair, PGSG Senators, Activities Chair, Fundraising Chair, Webmaster, and Appointed Program Chairs.

Section 2. Qualifications and duties for officers are outlined in the Position Description for each office in the *SAVMA Purdue Policies and Procedures Manual*.

Section 3. Election, term, and succession for each office are outlined in the *SAVMA Purdue Policies and Procedures Manual*.

Section 4: The treasurer is to keep accounts, deposit the organization's funds, and make expenditures in a manner approved by the Business Office for Student Organizations

ARTICLE V—CABINET

Section 1. The Cabinet will consist of the President, President-Elect, Secretary, Secretary-Elect, Treasurer, Treasurer-Elect, Student AVMA Senior Delegate, Student AVMA Junior Delegate, and two faculty advisors. Election, term, and succession are outlined in the *SAVMA Purdue Policies and Procedures Manual*.

ARTICLE VI—COUNCIL

Section 1. Members of the Council will consist of the Chapter Secretary and the presidents of all clubs recognized by the Chapter and Industry Representatives. Number of members of the Council, terms, election, and filing of vacancies are outlined in the *SAVMA Purdue Policies and Procedures Manual*.

ARTICLE VII—AMENDMENTS

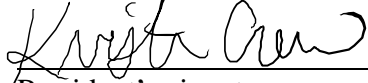
The Bylaws may be amended after the amendment or amendments have been:

1. First presented in writing to and favorably passed by the Cabinet.
2. A two-thirds majority vote of the Council and members of the Chapter in attendance at a regular meeting with more than 75% of voting members of Council present.
3. All amendments to the constitution and bylaws are subject to the approval of the Office of Student Activities and Organizations.

ARTICLE VIII—RELATIONS WITH SAVMA

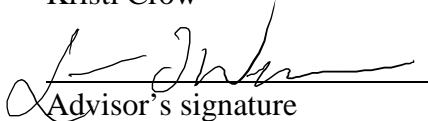
Section 1. The Chapter shall operate under an official charter granted by the Student American Veterinary Medical Association as outlined in the *SAVMA Purdue Policies and Procedures Manual*.

Date of Adoption: 04/09/2018



President's signature

Kristi Crow



Advisor's signature

Dr. Jim Weisman

Date of Recognition:

Office of Student Activities and Organizations

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