

Minutes of the December 10th 2025 Membership Meeting of the Northwestern Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association, Inc.

The winter membership meeting of the Northwestern Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association, Inc. was held on December 10th, 2025 at the Horizon's Conference Center northwest of Chippewa Falls, WI. There were 33 people in attendance.

Business Meeting:

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President, Dr. Margaret McDougall at 6 PM and she thanked everyone for attending.

Introduction of Board Members and Guests:

- The NWVMA Board members were introduced.
- Ms. Liz Ewing & Ms. Jenna Quisenberry from HappyDoc® were introduced as our evening speakers.

Approval of the Minutes – Dr. Larry Baumann gave a brief summary of the last NWVMA membership meeting on Sept 10, 2025. Dr. McDougall asked for corrections or additions and hearing none, approved the minutes from the last meeting as posted on the NWVMA website.

Reports:

NWVMA Treasurer's Report – Dr. Larry Baumann provided the current NWVMA checkbook balance.

WVMA Report – Dr. Meg Mueller, WVMA Past-President

- The WVMA "Flight School" was held in Baraboo on October 3rd and was a successful event,
- Next year the WVMA event will be the "Zoo School" back at the Milwaukee County Zoo,
- The annual WVMA membership meeting will be held online this Friday, December 12th at noon,
- A bill in the state legislature providing loan forgiveness for new veterinary graduates that serve at least 25% of their clients in rural areas of the state has been introduced,
- Dr. Guy Jodarski announced that 'Ag Day' with state legislators will be on Jan 21, 2026. This will be a good opportunity to encourage state legislators to support the loan forgiveness bill,
- Dr. Meg Mueller was thanked for her service as WVMA past-president and her past 10 years on the NWVMA Board.

WVDL-Barron Update – no report, but Dr. Guy Jodarski reminded everyone to keep their guard up and biosecurity in place since the Avian Influenza virus is very active in poultry and H5N1 continues to be a threat to the dairy industry.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- Dr. Margaret McDougall announced the passing of Dr. Wayne Barcus from Menomonie on Oct 15th, and an additional announcement was made of the passing of Dr. Mark Nelson from Centuria.
- Election of Officers: President Dr. Margaret McDougall called for the election of new officers.

President: Dr. Kayleigh Bull was nominated; additional nominations were called for, but none were received.

President-Elect: Dr. Tim Engel was nominated; additional nominations were called for, but none were received.

Secretary-Treasurer: Dr. Larry Baumann was nominated; additional nominations were called for, but none were received.

District Director for 2 years: Dr. Tawna Snyder was nominated; additional nominations were called for, but none were received.

The following slate of officers for 2025 were elected by a unanimous voice vote.

President: Dr. Kayleigh Bull, Eau Claire, WI

President-Elect: Dr. Tim Engel, Hammond, WI

Secretary-Treasurer: Dr. Larry Baumann, River Falls, WI

District Director (2 yr term): Dr. Tawna Snyder, Glenwood City, WI

- Members who had served in the US Military were introduced and recognized.
- Dr. Guy Jodarski presented Dr. Margaret McDougall with an appreciation plaque and thanked her for her leadership as NWVMA President this past year.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 PM. A buffet dinner and continuing education program followed.

Continuing Education Program:

Ms. Liz Ewing and Ms. Jenna Quisenberry from HappyDoc® gave a presentation and demonstration on HappyDoc®, an artificial intelligence cloud-based program for use by veterinarians. The HappyDoc® interface with practice information management software systems was demonstrated and questions answered. (started at 7 PM and finished at 8:10 PM).

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Larry Baumann
NWVMA Secretary-Treasurer