MEMORANDUM

TO: Mark D. Stetter, Dean, CVMBS
FROM: Veterinary Admissions Committee
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  Dr. Christianne Magee

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  Dr. Jason Bruemmer

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  Dr. Aubrey Lavizzo  Ex-officio, Practitioner/Diversity Representative
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  Dr. Cindy Pickens  Ex-officio, Practitioner
  Dr. Ed Wydallis  Ex-officio, Practitioner

Dean’s Office
  Dr. Christine Hardy  Ex-officio
  Dr. Lori Kogan  Ex-officio, Outcomes Assessment Coordinator
The Veterinary Admissions Committee (VAC) had 5 meetings in the 2013-2014 academic year. At these meetings we reviewed the admissions process and made changes as needed, trained committee members on methods of evaluating student application files, discussed different facets of the admission process and made changes in next year’s protocols. This was the seventh year the evaluation process was done completely online (paperless), and part of the meetings involved instructing the members in the use of that system.

Dr. Hardy has also conducted an analysis of the admissions processes of other professional schools, especially law schools, and presented this information to the committee members. She has also conducted an analysis of interview processes with a focus on the multiple mini interview system. This information was presented to the admissions committee. Additionally 4 committee members, Christine Hardy, Angela Marolf, Aubrey Lavizzo and Janet Janke participated in the MMI interviews for the Virginia/Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine in January. Again, this information has been presented to the committee members.

We have chosen to replace our aging software management system with a contemporary customer relationship management system called Slate by Technolutions. We are in phase one of the implementation plan and hope to launch this system this summer for the 2014-2015 admissions cycle.

We instituted the following visit days:

- Pre-Vet Visit day – for those students who are considering applying to veterinary school at CSU.
- PVM Showcase – recruiting visit day for all accepted and alternate PVM students
- Build a better application seminar: to help students, who have applied but were not successful, to build a stronger application
- Dr. Hardy also filmed 4 video segments using ECHO 360 that will be posted on our website for those students who want more information but are not able to travel to CSU. The topics covered were:
  - DVM and related programs at CSU
  - The CSU DVM Admissions Process
  - Build a Strong Application
  - What if my application is not successful?
- Dr. Hardy also offers advising appointments for students in the current application cycle and file review appointments for those students who were not successful through the application cycle.

Subcommittees within the admissions committee met in addition to the regular admissions committee meetings to discuss candidate files for those applying for sponsored and nonsponsored positions, and to the various combined programs and special programs (FAVCIP, Vet Prep, VetStart). The following subcommittees were established for 2013-2014:
Vet Start
Ken Blehm*

Vet Prep
Christine Hardy
Aubrey Lavizzo
Cindy Pickens

Colorado and FAVCIP
Jason Bruemmer
Terry Campbell
Gabi Landolt
Craig Webb

WICHE
Christianne Magee
Angela Marolf
Todd Cornish
Neil Dyer
Noble Jackson
Becky Mattix
Ashley Stokes
Mike Teglas
John Wenzel

Nonsponsored
Paul Avery
Lora Ballweber
Andrea Bohn
Charlie Davis
Christine Hardy
John Kisiday
Howard Liber
Christie Long
Catriona MacPhail
James Madl
Angela Marolf
Gary Mason
Cindy Pickens
Ed Wydallis

DVM/MBA
Jenny Campbell
Thom Hadley*
Christine Hardy
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Christine Hardy
Paul Morley*
Lorann Stallones*

DVM/PhD
Susan Bailey*
Steve Dow*
Tod Hansen*
Christine Hardy
Ed Hoover*
Gabi Landolt
Paul Morley*
Doug Thamm*
Sue VandeWoude*

*individuals who served on the specialty sub-committees who are not members of the Veterinary Admissions Committee
VMCAS

This is the 15th year the VMCAS (Veterinary Medical College Application Service) Application was used. Applications and references were received electronically from VMCAS. Transcripts sent to VMCAS and verified by VMCAS. ETS PPIs were received electronically from ETS. Revisions were made to both our supplemental application and administrative database that allowed faster and smoother processing of applications.

Starting in the application cycle of 2014-2015 the CSU DVM Admissions committee will only require the ETS PPI standard recommendations and not the VMCAS Letters of Recommendation (LOR). The committee decided the PPI was more objective, fair and a better and more reliable tool to help differentiate candidates than the LOR.