

General Membership Meeting – January 23, 2016

1. Meeting called to order by Eli Olind - President Elect at 12:35pm
 1. Sign-in sheet was sent around - 22 people in attendance, 18 CVT, 2 VT, 2 assistants, 16 BSVTA members
2. Treasurer Report
 1. Checking as of 12/31/16: \$24,375.50
 2. CD #1 \$5,940.84
 3. CD #2 \$5,050.61
3. By-laws update and handout
 1. Marcia had handouts for members - difference between CVT, RVT, LVT, and NAVTA model
 2. Very rough draft of by-laws distributed for opinions
 3. Please attend regional meetings to discuss by-laws further
4. Legislation update
 1. All in attendance make their own list of CVT vs. Assistant tasks on note cards to hand in
 2. Marcia spoke about advancing profession by getting CVT's licensed
 1. Currently a volunteer state, trying to get back to being licensed
 2. MT used to be a licensed state and over time the licensing was "sunsetted"
 3. Legislation goes every two years, next one is January 2017
 4. The vets in MT appear to be in favor of having licensed techs based on the survey MVMA sent out
 5. Currently trying to find out what we want to have the vet tech portion of the act to say
 6. Keep an eye on website for updates and email system is up and running again
 7. If anybody passes to be licensed by the state board, the grandfather clause could be reinstated for a designated amount of time to allow vets to send their techs with no diploma to take VTNE so they can still practice the same.
 3. June summer CE meeting June 25th - stay tuned for details
 4. Volunteers requested to aid with the CE committee for June
 5. Volunteers requested for help with the legislative movement
5. Meeting adjourned at 1:00pm