



MEMORANDUM

To: Executive Directors & Registrars of the AAVSB Member Boards for Distribution
From: AAVSB Bylaws and Resolution Committee
Date: July 24, 2024
Subject: Resolution 2024-1

Before each Annual Meeting, resolutions can be submitted to be voted upon by the Delegate Assembly. As the attached Resolution Policy states, resolutions are reserved for important or complex issues that require greater formality than a standard motion.

This year, the AAVSB received one resolution which is attached for your review and distribution to your Delegates. The AAVSB Board of Directors submitted Resolution 2024-1 in compliance with the Resolution Policy.

The Bylaws and Resolution Committee recommends the Delegate Assembly pass Resolution 2024-1.

Attachments:

Resolution 2024-1
Resolutions Policy



RESOLUTION 2024-1

Submitted by: AAVSB Board of Directors

AAVSB Bylaws and Resolution Committee Suggestion: PASS

WHEREAS, the American Association of Veterinary State Boards (AAVSB) is a not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) organization whose membership is comprised of the governmentally created boards or agencies in the United States and Canada (Member Boards) delegated with the authority to regulate the practice of veterinary medicine and veterinary technology in the interest of public protection, and

WHEREAS, the authority of these Member Boards is established in the statutes enacted by the legislature of each jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, all AAVSB Member Boards regulate the practice of veterinary medicine, and

WHEREAS, the AAVSB Member Boards acknowledge the important role veterinarians play in the health, safety and welfare of animals and human beings, and

WHEREAS, the AAVSB Member Boards acknowledge the important role veterinary technicians play in the health, safety, and welfare of animals and human beings by assisting veterinarians through engaging in delegated tasks, and

WHEREAS, the AAVSB Member Boards acknowledge the licensure requirements of veterinary technicians, including education and examination, recognize the knowledge, skills, abilities, and capabilities of veterinary technicians, and

WHEREAS, not all AAVSB Member Boards regulate veterinary technicians thereby leaving eligibility and competence determinations to the private sector.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of the American Association of Veterinary State Board (AAVSB) create a task force charged with identifying those AAVSB Member Boards that do not regulate veterinary technicians and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the task force be charged with working with those identified Member Boards that do not regulate veterinary technicians and explore the political, legal, and practical bases for why they do not regulate veterinary technicians and report its findings to the AAVSB Delegate Assembly at the 2025 Annual Meeting.



American Association of Veterinary State Boards **Policies & Procedures: Resolutions**

OVERVIEW/POLICY

Resolutions should be reserved for important or complex issues that require greater formality than a standard motion, which is contained only in the minutes of Association meetings. AAVSB resolutions are written to stand alone, and typically contain rationale supporting the subject of the resolution. Because of their special nature, resolutions forwarded for consideration by the AAVSB Delegate Assembly will follow submission guidelines.

PROCEDURES

1. No less than 210 days before the date of the Annual Meeting, the Association office will forward a request for proposed resolutions to the Member Boards (Call for Resolutions).
2. Resolutions proposed by a Delegate, Alternate Delegate, or a Committee of the AAVSB, other than the Bylaws and Resolution Committee, shall be in writing and received at the Association office not less than 150 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Such resolutions shall be forwarded to the Bylaws and Resolution Committee within seven days after receipt in the Association office.
3. Resolutions proposed by the Bylaws and Resolution Committee shall be in writing and received at the Association office not less than 100 days prior to the Annual Meeting.
4. Resolutions proposed by the AAVSB Board of Directors shall be in writing and received at the Association office not less than 75 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Such resolutions shall be forwarded to the Bylaws and Resolution Committee within seven days after receipt in the Association office.
5. All resolutions will in some way reflect the AAVSB Mission and Goals and must include a fiscal note if the implementation of the resolution would require an expenditure of Association funds.
6. The Chief Executive Officer shall forward proposed resolutions to all Member Boards not less than 60 days prior to the date of the Annual Meeting.
7. All resolutions submitted to the Delegate Assembly for consideration will be accompanied by a recommendation from the Bylaws and Resolution Committee. That Committee shall attach the following recommendations to a resolution: "pass," "not pass," or "no recommendation."
8. A resolution may be introduced after the above deadlines if it pertains to an event of immediate concern to the Association which occurred after the deadline. The resolution must be submitted to the Bylaws and Resolution Committee not less than 24 hours before the beginning of the business session of the Annual Meeting.

Adopted by the AAVSB Executive Committee January 23, 2005; revisions approved by the AAVSB Board of Directors on January 5, 2018 and June 16, 2018.