

AMY HAYWOOD, LVT



GENERAL INFORMATION

Education: Purdue University

Associate of Science in Veterinary Technology

Catholic University of America

Master of Arts in English Literature

McGill University

Bachelor of Arts in English Literature

Employment: Practice Consultant, American Animal Hospital
Association (AAHA)

Licenses: Virginia

MEMBER BOARD SERVICE

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Dates Appointed to Board

- 2014 – Present

AAVSB SERVICE

- 2019 – Present: Director
- 2017 – 2019: VTNE Committee Member

Amy Haywood, LVT

I came to the veterinary profession later in life after having owned my own academic copy-editing firm for 15 years. Since joining the veterinary profession, I have understood the true role and importance of the licensed veterinary technician in the care of patients.

I currently work as a practice consultant for the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA). I take great pride in supporting AAHA members by advising them on best practices in their hospitals.

I have also worked in clinical practice, most recently serving as the technician and inventory manager leading a team of 30 technicians and managing a six-figure inventory budget. I led the clinic through five annual pharmacy inspections without any infractions incurred. I worked with the clinic owners to develop an ever-evolving business model, plan and execute medical protocols and marketing strategies.

I was honored to be the first LVT appointed to the Washington, DC Board of Veterinary Medicine. My tenure on the DC Board has just been extended to a fourth term. In this position, I chaired the committee to draft technician licensing regulations for the District of Columbia. The regulations have been adopted and we hope they will go into use in the next 6 months. This will bring technician licensure the District for the first time.

During my two terms on the AAVSB Board of Directors, I have taken an active role in strategic planning. I partnered with other Directors and staff to address emerging topics in our profession such as telemedicine, eligibility for the VTNE, and the mid-level practitioner. Before being elected to the AAVSB Board, I served on the VTNE committee for 18 months. I was fulfilled by my work on that committee; writing the national licensing exam that helps to shape my profession.

I am proud to be part of AAVSB and its mission to elevate the veterinary profession.

Employment History

American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA), 6/2021–present

AtlasVet, Washington, DC, 2/2013–5/2021

Montclair Veterinary Hospital, Oakland, CA, 8/2010–5/2012

Campus Veterinary Clinic, Berkeley, CA, 10/2009–8/2010

Pet Care Veterinary Hospital, Virginia Beach, VA 9/2004–8/2009 (part-time while pursuing my LVT education, then full-time after graduation)

Education

A.S., Veterinary Technology, Purdue University, 2008

M.A., English Literature, Catholic University of America, 1996

B.A., English Literature, McGill University, 1988

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To Whom It May Concern,

As Chairperson of the District of Columbia Board of Veterinary Medicine, I am proud to nominate Amy Haywood, LVT for the position of Treasurer of the American Association of Veterinary State Boards.

Ms. Haywood has served two terms as Director of the organization and has been an active and thoughtful participant on the Board. She brings a new perspective and invaluable experience as a practicing LVT to discussions about the ever-expanding role of the licensed/registered/certified veterinary technician in our profession. She is dedicated to AAVSB's charge to elevate the profession and to serve member boards and consumers. She serves because she wants to help.

In 2014, Ms. Haywood was the first (and only) LVT appointed to the District of Columbia Board of Veterinary Medicine and has served four terms in her post. In her tenure on the Board, she has been instrumental in writing regulations to bring licensure of veterinary technicians to Washington, serving as the chair of the drafting committee.

Ms. Haywood began her association with the AAVSB on the Veterinary Technician National Exam (VTNE) writing committee, working to make the VTNE an equitable exam for all emerging technicians.

Ms. Haywood continues to press for technician licensure in all AAVSB jurisdictions.

Ms. Haywood has a BA in English from McGill University and an MA in Irish Literature from Catholic University. After a fifteen-year career in academic publishing, she left academia behind and attended Purdue University to pursue a new career as an LVT; Ms. Haywood passed the VTNE in 2004. Since that time, she has worked as an LVT at several hospitals including serving as technician manager at a 12-doctor practice in Washington, DC, where she oversaw a 30-member nursing staff and managed a six-figure inventory. Since 2021, Ms. Haywood has been a practice consultant with the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA).

The dedication that Ms. Haywood brings to the veterinary profession demonstrates her belief and commitment to the AAVSB's mission.

I have had the pleasure of serving with Ms. Haywood on the District of Columbia Board of Veterinary Medicine and collaborating with her in a professional, clinical setting. She is measured and thoughtful in all she does. She is eager to learn new things. She would be a great asset to AAVSB in the role of treasurer.

On behalf of the District of Columbia Board of Veterinary Medicine, please accept my nomination of Ms. Amy Haywood, LVT to serve as Treasurer.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Teich', written in a cursive style.

Daniel Teich, DVM