

Student Chapter of the America Association of Swine Veterinarians  
Constitution  
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**Article I Name & Purpose**

Section 1

This organization shall be known as the SCAASV

Section 2

The purpose of this club shall be to provide learning opportunities to any student with an interest in swine medicine.

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**Article II Membership**

Section 1

Membership shall be open to all regularly enrolled students who are interested in swine or food animal medicine and production.

Section 2

Means of selection of members: All Students who pay SCAASV dues as well as join SCAVMA and pay their dues will be considered active club members.

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**Article III Officers**

Section 1

The elective officers for this club shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, T-shirt Rep/Fundraising Coordinator, BBQ Coordinators, Open house Rep.

Section 2

The officers shall be elected by the club members to serve a term of one year, beginning April/May of each year.

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**Article IV Dues**

Section 1

Dues for the SCAASV are \$5 per academic school year and are paid to SCAVMA. To join, students must also join and pay dues to SCAVMA.

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**Article V Amending the Constitution and by-laws**

Section 1

Amendments to the constitution or by-laws shall be presented by members of the club in writing and read at a regular meeting but shall not be voted upon until the next regular meeting, and then only after informing each member of the proposed amendments. A majority of 2/3 of the members present and voting shall be required.

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**Article VI Meetings.**

Section 1

The club shall meet monthly, check the SCAVMA board for dates each semester.

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**Article VII Committees**

Section 1

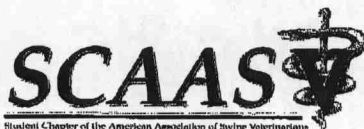
Any special committees needed shall be formed and dissolved based on necessity by the executive officers.

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**Article VIII**

Section 1

The club has an optional educational opportunity every Wednesday for a deeper involvement in swine medicine and production. Check the SCAASV board for updates on this activity.



## CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE I: CLUB PRINCIPLES

This club aims to contribute to the interest of swine medicine at the NCSU-CVM. It shall not discriminate with regard to race, religion, age, ethnic or national origin, gender, physical ability, or sexual orientation.

### ARTICLE II: NAME

The name of this club shall be the Student Chapter of American Association of Swine Veterinarians/Practitioners (SCAASV/SCAASP).

### ARTICLE III: PURPOSE

The purpose of the SCAASP shall be to promote and organize swine-related activities at the NCSU-CVM.

### ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be open to all NCSU-CVM students.

### ARTICLE V: OFFICERS

Elected officers' positions must be established and filled by NCSU-CVM students, typically President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer. One officer will be the main contact for the club; one officer will be responsible for the club's budget and financial matters. The club officers and the faculty advisor will comprise the Executive Committee. The Student Activities Office will be notified of any changes in club leadership.

### ARTICLE VI: FACULTY ADVISOR

A faculty or staff advisor shall be selected by the club. The advisor shall be notified of all club business, including regular and special meetings and other activities, at least five days in advance. The advisor shall be privileged to attend any and all meetings. The advisor may call meetings of the club or of its Executive Committee after informing the club's President. The advisor may officiate in the officer's absence. The club advisor must be present at the NCSU-CVM. An interim advisor must be found to replace a faculty advisor on sabbatical or away from NCSU-CVM for other reasons.

### ARTICLE VII: DUTIES OF OFFICERS / POSITION DESCRIPTION

The President shall serve as the executive and ceremonial head of the club, shall preside at all meetings, and shall represent the club on all occasions. He or she shall remove and replace club officers and representatives delinquent in duty, and shall be an ex-officio member of all club committees. The President may call special meetings.

The Vice-President shall assume the duties of, and officiate in the absence of, the club President.

The Secretary/Treasurer shall keep the records of all official meetings. He or she shall maintain a record of club members, and shall keep record of the club's expenditures and finances.

### **ARTICLE VIII: ELECTION PROCEDURES**

1. Nominations for officers shall be accepted from the floor and from the Executive Committee at the final business meeting.
2. Officers shall be elected by the majority of voting members present.
3. All elections for September office shall take place during the spring semester. All active club members may participate in the elections.
4. Elected candidates shall take office the first week of the fall term. The period between elections and the end of the spring term shall serve as an "overlap" or training period for new and old officers.

### **ARTICLE IX: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

There shall be a permanent Executive Committee consisting of the officers of the club and the faculty advisor. The Executive Committee shall carry out the laws of the club, supervise and plan programs, and keep club records. The Executive Committee may, with the approval of membership, assign such official duties as special reports, program chair, fund-raising chair, and others as needed, if no special committees exist for these purposes.

### **ARTICLE X: MEETINGS**

1. At least one official business meeting of the club must be held at the beginning of each semester.
2. The President may call special meetings at his or her discretion. Members must be notified in advance of each meeting.
3. Informal meetings shall be held at regular intervals.
4. At club meetings, a majority vote of those present is required for all business transactions.
5. At each general meeting, one-third of all active members shall constitute a quorum.
6. All club members will have the right to speak and vote at club meetings.

### **ARTICLE XI: FINANCES**

1. Club dues shall be re-determined each semester, depending on the club budget.
2. Financial records and procedures shall be in accordance with SCAVMA guidelines.

### **ARTICLE XII: AMENDMENTS**

Amendments to this constitution may be adopted by a three-fourths vote of the voting members present.

*Constitution created 10/3/04. Accepted as written.*