AAVLD Committee Report

(Note: Please attach any additional pages necessary for the following subtopics and your minutes / narrative)

Laboratory Safety Committee Committee	10/24/2015 Date
Dr. Kristy Farmer Committee Chair	Mary Byrd Co-chair if applicable
Michelle Norris Nominees for upcoming chair / co-chair	Patricia Godwin Nominees for upcoming chair / co-chair

Committee Statement of Purpose:

The mission of the Laboratory Safety Committee of the American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians is to provide a national forum to discuss current and emerging laboratory safety, biosecurity, and biocontainment issues when working in a veterinary diagnostic laboratory. It is designed to be a central resource for communication, information, and support within AAVLD.

Strategy(ies) for Committee Activity Supporting AAVLD Strategic Plan (Please List):

►Start up an E-List for lab safety to enhance communication throughout the year
►Present Laboratory Safety Topics during 206 Quality Assurance Symposium
►Work with NAHLN to improve communication between the labs on safety training requirements for transferred employees during an outbreak situation
►Create a survey on lab safety practices in labs to disseminate that information to the committee
►Find reputable lab safety training modules to share with the Committee

Items for Review by the Executive Board (Please List):

►Change Committee meeting time from Saturday 3:30-7:30 to Saturday from 8:00am-12:00pm

Action Items for the Committee (Please List):

►Formed a Subcommittee (Sarah Plevin, Joey Kellum, & Lou Samudo) to work with NAHLN on recommendations for training basics with shared employees during an outbreak situation.
►Work with Reda to create an AAVLD lab safety E-list
►Develop a questionnaire on common lab safety practices, put it out on the E-list as well as the results
►Find and post reputable lab safety training modules (to the committee's AAVLD website)
►Work with AAVLD QC Committee to be included in the 2016 QA Symposium