New AABP Officers and Directors 2020-2021

President

Dr. Carie Telgen grew up on a registered Holstein farm in Vermont. She received her B.S. degree from Cornell University and her D.V.M. degree from Purdue University. Dr. Telgen started her career in northern New York in a mixed animal practice before joining Battenkill Veterinary Bovine in 2011. Dr. Telgen became a partner at Battenkill Veterinary Bovine in 2015. She has participated in Cornell Summer Dairy Institute and the Penn State Dairy Production Medicine Program. Dr. Telgen just recently joined Diamond V as a Ruminant Field Technical Specialist.

Since becoming an AABP member as a veterinary student, Dr. Telgen was a recipient of the prestigious Amstutz Scholarship Award and the James A. Jarrett Young Leader Award. She served on the AABP Board of Directors from 2015-2018 before being elected to the Executive Committee. Along with AABP, Dr. Telgen is also a member of the AVMA, NY Capital District Veterinarians, and a board member of the Washington County, NY Farm Bureau.

Dr. Telgen has always been a strong advocate for agriculture and spent some time writing a blog about daily large animal practice, hoping to educate her readers on agriculture and its practices. She also volunteers time at, and sits on the advisory board for, the New York State Fair’s new Dairy Cattle Birthing Center, answering questions the public may have on modern farming practices. Dr. Telgen has a passion to reconnect society to agriculture while promoting the technological advances in the industry.

In her free time, Dr. Telgen enjoys spending time with her family, kayaking, camping, hiking, and golf. She currently resides in Hartford, New York.

Vice-President

Dr. Sandra Godden is a 1993 graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph. After working for two years as an associate veterinarian in mixed practice in Eastern Ontario, she returned to Guelph to complete a DVSc degree specializing in dairy production medicine. From 1998 to present she has been a member of the Department of Veterinary Population Medicine, University of Minnesota where she is involved with professional student teaching, applied research and outreach activities in dairy production medicine. Sandra is a past president of the National Mastitis Council. Her major academic interests currently include applied research in mastitis control, colostrum and calf health management.
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Dr. Ryan Rademacher is a second-generation veterinarian who grew up in Eastern Oregon where he quickly developed a strong interest in livestock production, specifically feedlot health and production.

Ryan received his DVM degree from Oregon State University and joined Feedlot Health Management Services by Telus Agriculture, Okotoks, Alberta, as a Professional Services Veterinarian in 2014. Feedlot Health provides consulting services spanning all aspects of feedlot and calf-grower production. The Feedlot Health approach involves “doing things better”, which incorporates execution tools and oversight, along with “doing better things” which incorporates the use of commercial field trial data and operation-specific economic modeling. Ryan works with feedlot and calf-grower clients in the United States, Canada, and Mexico to optimize animal health and welfare utilizing a data-driven approach to make cost-effective decisions. In addition, he is the Animal Health Team Lead and provides leadership and guidance for research activities at Feedlot Health.

Ryan is an active member of various organizations and has served on the Board of Directors for the Academy of Veterinary Consultants (AVC). He is also the District 13 Director for the American Association of Bovine Practitioners (AABP) and an Ex Officio Director for the Western Canadian Association of Bovine Practitioners (WCABP). Ryan was also honored to have received the AABP Amstutz Scholarship in 2012 and has been involved in the AABP since he was a student.

Ryan and his wife Katrina have one son (Wyatt), and together they enjoy hunting, fishing, skiing, and traveling.

Dr. Paul Cook grew up in sunny San Diego County (Escondido) of southern California and lived there until college. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, in 1994 and his Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine degree from the University of California - Davis in 1999. After graduating, he practiced for 1½ years with Dr. Frank Walton at Euclid Veterinary Hospital in Chino, California, in a mixed animal practice. That was a great experience for a new graduate because there were so many dairies in such a small geographical location that he received tremendous practical dairy medical experience in such a short amount of time. Plus Dr. Walton was a great mentor.

He then moved to the central valley of California to work for Atwater Merced Veterinary Clinics in December 2000 where he practices dairy production medicine with progressive dairy clients. He became a partner in the practice in 2003 and plans to remain there until he retires. He has been a member of AABP since veterinary school and is happy to serve as the District 10 Board of Directors. He has been active in organized veterinary medicine for many years by serving on various entities in AVMA as a food animal predominately representative. Dr. Cook’s wife, Dr. Nicole Ekblom, is a dairy veterinarian as well and they have three children, Elliot, Annika and Evelyn. When he is not working, he likes to run half marathons, hike, and ski.