

NZP IACUC MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: APRIL 19, 2000

In Attendance: Nichols, Gibson, Hawes, Smithson, Cusimano, Stevens, Roberts, Jaszi
Absent: None

Old business: Nichols and Stevens have finalized the inspection report for the zebra, cheetah, gazelle, etc. unit. This report was sent to Stuart Wells, Ben Beck, Mac Hudson, and John Seidensticker for distribution to other members of the Hoofstock Advisory Group. Ben Beck sent a copy (as requested) to the Office of the Inspector General.

Cusimano had attempted to look into complaint that Dr. Spelman did not repond to a request to look at a sick tree kanagaroo in a timely manner. However, Dr. Spelman had not yet responded to Cusimano's inquiry.

New Business:

- 1) Nichols read Wells response to the IACUC inspection of the area that Wells oversees. Nichols, Stevens, and others disagreed with some of the points that Wells made in his response. It was decided that Nichols would draft an IACUC response to this for other committee members to comment on before distribution.
- 2) It was decided that Nichols and Stevens would perform a follow-up inspection of Wells' area in May.
- 3) It was announced that the Research Council had approved Andrew Crawford's project to study "Conservation genetics of Neotropical frogs". However, the IACUC members felt that more information was needed before this project could be approved or rejected by the IACUC. Roberts and Nichols agreed to find out more about this.
- 3) Roberts suggested that someoneshould talk to the IACUC about the scientific priniciples behind the need to collect voucher specimens

Meeting adjourned.