

Call for Volunteers

Governance Committee

Assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities with respect to the Association. The Governance Committee shall review, report, and when appropriate, provide recommendations to the Board regarding governance matters of the Association, including the Association's strategic planning processes, the Association's code of conduct and ethics. The Governance Committee has the mandate to review, report and provide recommendations to the Board regarding the election of Board Members and appointment of the President.

The Governance Committee meets at least four times each year.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee shall assist the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities with respect to the financial health, sustainability, and risk management of the Association by:

- ensuring the integrity, accuracy and timeliness of financial reporting;
- ensuring adequate systems of internal controls over financial reporting and disclosure;
- ensuring compliance with laws, regulations and ethical conduct concerning the financial affairs of the Association;
- encouraging a culture of open, candid and direct communication channels between the Board, committees of the Board, management, and the external auditor;
- Reviewing and recommending to the board the Association's risk management policies
- Advising on the risk impact of strategic issues, new services and products, and unexpected risk events

The Finance Committee is also responsible for oversight of the Association's independent audit and relationship with the appointed auditor.

Each member of the Committee will be Financially Literate (or be willing and able to acquire the necessary knowledge within a reasonable period of time).

The Finance Committee shall meet at least four times each year

Advocacy Committee

The Advocacy Committee of the Board shall have the mandate to assist the Board in meeting its goals related to advancing and promoting the profession. The Advocacy Committee is an advisory committee and is not a decision-making committee.

The Advocacy Committee is expected to be knowledgeable of the issues and needs of veterinary technicians in Ontario and of the users of services related to OAVT members.

The Advocacy Committee will make recommendations to the Board about future action that can be taken with respect to advocacy.

Advocacy Committee members are not responsible for conducting advocacy efforts on behalf of the Association.

The Advocacy Committee shall meet at least four times each year

VTEAP Committee – Surveyors

The purpose of the Veterinary Technician Education Accreditation Program (VTEAP) Committee is to receive and consider accreditation applications for veterinary technician/technology education programs. The Committee reports to the OAVT Board of Directors and coordinates with OAVT staff to administer the program, and their work is supported by a team of site surveyors.

A program site visit occurs each accreditation cycle. During the site visit, a team of surveyors inspects facilities and equipment, observes classes, and interviews program students, faculty, and administration.

Following the site visit, the surveyors submit a score sheet and short written summary report to the Committee as a component of the accreditation submission package.

The OAVT maintains a pool of surveyors from which assignments are made, not all surveyors will participate in every site visits.

Site visits are scheduled as needed per the VTEAP process with 5-7 anticipated in 2026 in various locations across Ontario and require 1–2-day commitment. Expenses are paid for on behalf of the surveyors.

Preference given to bilingual (French) applicants.

Complaints Committee

The purpose of the Complaints Committee is to consider and investigate written complaints regarding the professional conduct or actions of RVT Members.

Meetings are on an as needed basis, but usually 4-6 per year.

Discipline Committee

The purpose is to hear and determine matters directed or referred to it by the Complaints Committee, as well as perform any other duties assigned to it by the OAVT Board of Directors.

Meetings and Hearings are on an as needed basis. Hearings are infrequent, but when they occur may be held over 2 days.

Fitness to Practice Committee

The purpose of the Fitness to Practise Committee is to hear and determine matters directed or referred to it by the Complaints Committee, as well as perform any other duties assigned to it by the OAVT Board of Directors.

Meetings and Hearings are on an as needed basis. Hearings are infrequent, but when they occur may be held over 2 days

Registration Appeals Committee

The purpose Registration Appeals Committee is to hear appeals from OAVT members whose application for Registration has been denied or whose registered status has been revoked and to make such determination and prescribe such remedies as it deems appropriate.

The Registration Appeals Committee meets monthly.