

SMU ACC Membership October 2026

Position	Name	Dept./Affiliation	Term
Committee Chair	Dr. Susan Bjornson	Biology	Aug 2026 – Aug 2029
Consulting Veterinarian	Dr. Jim Gillis	Bedford Highway Veterinary Hospital	On-going
Animal Care Coordinator / Aquatic Facility Manager (<i>ex-officio</i>)	Caila Henderson	Faculty of Science	On-going
SMU Faculty Member experienced in animal-based research	Dr. Colleen Barber	Biology	Jan 2025 – Jan 2028 (renewable)
SMU Faculty Member whose research activities do not involve or depend on the use of animals	Dr. Michelle Patriquin	Biology	Aug 2026 – Aug 2029
MSVU Faculty Member	Kevin Shaughnessy	Biology	Sep 2026 – Sept 2029 (renewable)
Community Member	Heather McKinnon Ramshaw	Resident of Halifax County	Oct 2026 – Oct 2029 (renewable)
Community Member	Saundra Vernon	Resident of Kings County	Mar 2026 – Mar 2029 (renewable)
SMU Graduate Student	Kaitlyn Kerr	Environmental Science	Sep 2025-Dec 2026 (renewable)