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**AMERICAN MOSQUITO CONTROL ASSOCIATION**

Saturday, October 9, 2004

**CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME:**

President Nasci called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

President Nasci thanked the board members and the central office staff for their attendance. He further thanked Ron Montgomery and the Northwest Vector Control Association for hosting the meeting.

The order of the agenda will be followed with the times being approximate. A telephone call will be received at 8:30 a.m. from Robert Holm, the IR-4 director.

Martin Chomsky, Business Manager, was not at the meeting due to illness. Mr. Chomsky was to call into the meeting but he was unavailable.

**SILENT REFLECTION:**

The President called for a moment of silence for recently deceased members of the AMCA.

**ROLL CALL:**

President Nasci requested that the roll be called. The following board members were present; Roger S. Nasci, President; William Opp, President-Elect; Joseph Sanzone, Vice-President; David Brown, President 2002; Fred Knapp, President 2003 and Allan Inman, Treasurer. The following regional directors were present; Peter H. Connelly, Industry; William Meredith, Mid-Atlantic; Daniel Markowski, North Atlantic; William Lechel, North Central; Ron J. Montgomery, North Pacific; Richard E. Duhrkopf, South Central; Jack Hazelrigg, South Pacific; Gary L. Hatch, West Central. Others in attendance included Sarah Gazi, Assistant Business Manager; Sondra Scully, Bookkeeper and Joseph Conlon, Technical Advisor; Humberto Quiroz-Marinez, Latin America Region and Douglas Carlson, South Atlantic Region were not present.

**APPOINTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARIAN:**

President Nasci appointed Mr. Hatch as Parliamentarian.

**ADOPTION OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

Mr. Brown moved, seconded by Mr. Lechel that the agenda be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Brown moved, seconded by Mr. Montgomery that the minutes of the February 21, 2004 Board meeting be accepted as presented and that the minutes of the February 22, 2004 Board meeting be accepted with the following changes.

Meeting of February 22<sup>nd</sup>:

Page 1, paragraph 4	“advertising of” changed to “candidates for”
Page 3, paragraph 4	“full” changed to “fully”
Paragraph 9	“e-mail” changed to “e-mailed”
Page 4, paragraph 5	“then” changed to “than”
Page 6, paragraph 8	“then” changed to “than”

The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Mr. Lechel moved, seconded by Mr. Duhrkopf that the minutes of the February 25, 2004 Business meeting be accepted with the following changes.

Page 2, paragraph 3

“perused” changed to “pursue”

The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Mr. Opp moved, seconded by Mr. Hatch that the minutes of the February 26, 2004, Board meeting be accepted as presented with the following changes.

Page 1, paragraph 1  
Paragraph 2

“Fred Knapp” changed to “Roger Nasci”  
“President Knapp” changed to “President Nasci”

The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The President announced that there was no need to recirculate the minutes after the above changes are made.

### **GENERAL REPORTS**

#### **CENTRAL OFFICE:**

Ms. Gazi gave the Central Office report in Mr. Chomsky's absence. Ms. Gazi reported that moving the central office from Monmouth County to the IR-4 building in North Brunswick went well, with only four hours of disruption to office services. The office is located in the Technology Center of New Jersey, adjacent to the Rutgers University campus. The costs for this move included \$952.39 for professional movers, \$2,924.00 for voicemail and telephones systems and \$1125.00 for equipment. The rent for approximately 400 square feet of office space is \$5,000.00 a year. The lease is for two years and is renewable for another two years. The lease includes the use of halls, restrooms and a second floor conference room. There is room for expansion of the offices. The AMCA is not responsible for janitorial services or any utilities besides the telephone and internet. During the move old files and unneeded or damaged copies of publications were discarded. The NJMCA may have budgeted funds for support of the central office. The President will prepare a letter of thanks to Monmouth County for their years of support for the central office.

At this time a telephone call was placed to Dr. Holm of IR-4. Dr. Holm gave a presentation on the mission of IR-4 which is to provide safe and effective pest management solutions for specialty crop growers. IR-4 has no funding mandate for public health pest control, but they do have the infrastructure in place for contacting companies to have products registered and to work with the EPA. IR-4 and the AMCA have similar missions. With the additional funding it might be possible to expend IR-4's mission to include public health pesticides. President Nasci suggested that an informal working group be organized for the annual meeting in Vancouver. The AMCA will assemble a group of stake holders to interact with IR-4. President Nasci proposed that he and Mr. Connelly form the nucleus of the working group and recruit other interested members. Mr. Brown and Mr. Opp will also be involved with the group because of their interest in aquatic weed control.

The meeting returned to the central office report.

Ms. Gazi reported that the annual meeting in Savannah raised approximately \$200,000.00. It was the most successful meeting ever. This is in part due to a very large turnout at the meeting.

The menu of options for the 2005 meeting in Vancouver has gone out. All offered events are sponsored. The registration information will be in the November/December Newsletter. The exhibitor packet will be going out at the end of the month. Contracts will be signed with exhibitor services and audio visual services. Most information for the meeting will be on the web page.

Ms. Gazi was authorized to purchase a new tabletop display for \$500.00 to \$700.00.

Ms. Gazi reported that the new Darsie Ward Key is going to press on October 20<sup>th</sup>, with 1,500 copies to be printed initially. The key will be available directly through the University of Florida Press in January 2005. The AMCA will receive royalties from every sale. The first \$5,000.00 in royalties due to the AMCA will pay back the university for publication of the book. AMCA holds the copyright on the key. The central office gets a 40% discount on the purchase of the book. The book is only available in hardcopy at this time.

Through Ms. Gazi, Mr. Chomsky requested that all sustaining members be provided with a new Darsie Ward Key and a copy of all other AMCA publications, free of charge, to show our appreciation for their support. Ms. Gazi felt that the cost, which would include shipping and reprinting, would be prohibitive. Currently sustaining members receive certificates and discount registration rates at the annual meeting. Ms. Gazi recommended that the 91 sustaining members be given a copy of the Darsie Ward Key at the annual meeting. Another suggestion was to make one copy of the Darsie Ward Key available to sustaining members at cost (40% off the regular price). It was suggested that Florida be paid in full for the money owed for the printing of the key.

Mr. Duhrkopf moved, seconded by Dr. Knapp that the AMCA offer all sustaining members a single copy of the new Darsie Ward Key at the associations discounted rate. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Ms. Gazi reported that the central office has two full time employees and three part time employees. After Mr. Chomsky became ill, Ms. Gazi was authorized to hire any additional staff that she felt was needed. The only new hire is a part time office person.

Ms. Gazi requested that the date ballots are required to be mailed be changed. The date now is directly following the IBM. It was suggested that the board meeting be held on a date that allows the ballots to be mailed on the prescribed date without undue strain on the central office. It may be possible to change the by-laws to allow for earlier electronic vote on the nominations. Dr. Dame will be researching this issue. This change in the by-laws would also allow for other electronic voting.

Mr. Connelly moved, seconded by Mr. Montgomery that the Central Office report be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

#### TECHNICAL ADVISOR:

Joseph Conlon stated that the Technical Advisor's report is a compilation of his monthly reports which have been previously reviewed by the board.

Mr. Conlon requested that his duties be expanded to include legislative efforts now that he has replaced Dr. Meredith as AMCA representative at the Pesticide Policy Coalition (PPC).

Mr. Conlon and Mr. Brown presented oral testimony at the Congressional hearing with regard to West Nile virus (WNV) and control methods. Mr. Conlon submitted written comments on pesticide labeling for the EPA. These comments have been sent to the Legislative and Regulatory Committee for their review. Comments must be sent to the EPA by October 25<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Conlon has developed a public relations tool kit to assist districts and individuals in dealing with anti-pesticide issues. The kit has been set out to the Public Relations Committee and will be posted on the "Members only" web site.

Mr. Conlon reported that some nominee biographies, which are included with the ballots, have not been received. The procedures manual could be changed to state that if the information is not received in a timely matter the president would reappoint the current regional director for one more year. Currently the procedures manual calls for the regional director to appoint a committee to gather the nominees and their biographies. The by-laws state that if a nominee is not received from a district, that district could be incorporated into another region. Mr. Conlon and the Executive Committee will work to revise the procedures manual to streamline the nominating process as charged by the

President.

Mr. Conlon thanked the board and the central office for their continuing support.

President Nasci reported that he has asked Mr. Conlon to represent the AMCA at a variety of pesticide related organizations to insure a consistent presence at these meetings other than AMCA paid counsel. In this way Mr. Conlon would be the AMCA representative while McDermott, Will and Emery would only act as counsel to the AMCA. This arrangement would mean greater travel expenses for Mr. Conlon.

Mr. Sanzone moved, seconded by Mr. Opp that the Technical Advisors Report be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**TREASURER:**

Mr. Inman reported that the association is in a very good financial position according to the draft audit. The annual meeting made more money than ever before. The profit from the annual meeting is due, in part, because of high attendance, higher registration fees and outstanding vendor support. Some of the figures from the audit will be revised because of contributions being posted to the wrong accounts. There is approximately \$670,000.00 in cash or cash equivalents at this time.

In a letter to Mr. Inman, the auditor did suggest that the Merrill Lynch accounts be closed, that a few vouchers were missing, that a salary resolution be included in the minutes, that supporting documentation be attached to the all credit card bills and that lobbying expenditures be broken out on the McDermott, Will & Emery(MWE) statements. All of these items will be addressed. The audit has not been completed because the lobbying breakdown has not been received from MWE. The auditor has again suggested a monthly report from MWE be posted on the association web site. This would show that the work done by MWE is in the public interest.

Mr. Inman moved, seconded by Mr. Lechel that the following salaries for the 2004/2005 fiscal year be approved.

Technical Advisor, Joseph Conlon	\$40,000.00
Business Manager, Martin Chomsky	38,500.00
Assistant Business Manager, Sarah Gazi	34,200.00
Bookkeeper, Sondra Scully	14,900.00
Publications Coordinator, Mathew Piscitelli	13,400.00

The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Mr. Inman proposed that due to low interest rates monetary awards be charged against the general fund other than the Grass Roots fund and Craig foundation. Mr. Inman further recommended that the Student Competition award be \$1,000.00 for the winner and two additional awards of \$250.00 each. These monies would also come from the general fund.

Dr. Knapp reported that the Boyd award committee members recommended that the Boyd award be raised to \$500.00. This award would also come from the general fund.

Mr. Brown suggested that extra monies be put into the award accounts so that they are self supporting. This would make the money put into these accounts unavailable for any other uses. Another idea was to take the interest from one of the general fund accounts and roll it into the award accounts. The interest from the State Farm account (\$1,600 per year) would be enough to fund the Student Competition for one year. The President charged the Finance Committee with making recommendations for the use of general funds, if appropriate; to make the award funds self sustaining.

Mr. Inman moved, seconded by Mr. Lechel to charge the following monetary awards against the general fund for the 2005 annual meeting:

Boyd Fund	\$500.00 plus plaque
Meritorious, Medal of Honor, And Presidential Citation	plaques only
Belkin, Memorial Lecturer and Industry Award	plaques and travel monies if requested
Hollandsworth/AMCA Student Competition	\$1,500 (\$500 additional monies donated by the West Central MVCA)

Dr. Knapp objected to funding non-AMCA awards from the general fund. The motion was approved by voice vote with Mr. Brown, Dr. Knapp and Mr. Connelly voting nay.

Mr. Inman moved, seconded by Mr. Brown that Fred Preiss's name be added to the honor roll of the Student Competition award. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote. The President charged the Student Competition Committee to formulate the proper language for describing the donors.

Mr. Inman moved, seconded by Dr. Knapp that the AMCA reimburse travel expenses for all officers of the AMCA for their attendance at the IBM and other officer meetings retroactive to July 1, 2004.

This would cost approximately \$5,000.00, and would apply to the president, vice-president, president elect, treasurer and two past presidents. Using part of the presidential travel line item (\$5,000 in the 04/05 fiscal year) for officer's travel was discussed. Another idea was a flat stipend of \$500.00 for all board members which would total \$9,000.00 a year. It was felt that discriminating between the officers and the regional directors was not appropriate.

Mr. Inman withdrew his motion and Dr. Knapp withdrew his second. Funding may be available on a discretionary basis.

Mr. Inman moved, seconded by Mr. Lechel that the registration fee for honorary members attending the annual meeting be eliminated. (Honorary members will have to purchase a banquet ticket if desired.)

The motion was amended to start the fee waiver at the 2005 meeting. The seconder accepted the amendment.

At this time there are ten honorary members with a limit of 15 honorary members. Dr. Knapp suggested that the sitting president also have his/her registration fee waived. Mr. Inman did not accept Dr. Knapp's amendment to his motion. The motion was approved by voice vote with Mr. Opp voting nay. The motion was approved.

A break was taking at this time (10:33 a.m.)

The meeting resumed at 10:38 a.m. with all members previously present again present.

Mr. Lechel moved, seconded by Mr. Montgomery that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Palmisano gave the Finance Committee report. The committee reviewed its standard charges. The net profit and

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the profit from the annual meeting in Savannah were very good. Administrative overhead was below budget. The JAMCA is continuing to lose money. It was suggested that the page rates and advertising fee be reviewed and that possibly a new publisher with lower fees be found. The committee felt that the Washington Day fee of \$195.00 was too high and recommended that the fee be no more than \$100.00 and that the annual meeting fee should not be raised from the \$265.00 charged last year.

Fees for Washington Day, which this year is being held in conjunction with the NPMA, must cover NPMA per-delegate expense of \$175.00. Some delegate's fees are covered by Wellmark fellowships on a one time basis for new attendees. The high cost may be a deterrent to some members attending the meeting. Last year the meeting lost approximately \$500.00. The only way to lower the fee is to subsidize them through the AMCA general fund. It is important to cover the cost of the meeting with the registration fees. In the future more support from industry will be sought.

Fees for the JAMCA will be addressed in the Publication Committee report.

The Newsletter has one sponsor an issue but no other advertising. The possibility of additional advertising will be reviewed by the central office. The central office will look into the sponsorship being appropriately credited to the newsletter revenue line item.

Mr. Duhrkopf moved, seconded by Mr. Lechel that the delegate fee for Washington Day be capped at \$150.00 with the Association paying the additional \$25.00 per delegate.

It was felt that there was no way to determine how many attendees there would be at Washington Day therefore there was no way to determine the cost to the Association.

There was a vote of three ayes to eleven nays on the motion. The motion was not approved. The delegate fee for Washington Day will be \$175.00 per person. This fee will cover the cost of the meeting except for central office travel.

The registration fee for the annual meeting will be discussed later in the meeting.

Mr. Lechel moved, seconded by Mr. Sanzone that the Financial Committee Report be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The meeting returned to the prescribed order of business.

#### COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

##### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Dr. Nasci reported that a two year contract has been signed by the Business Manager. A copy of the contract has been forwarded to the Treasurer to be incorporated into the budget. It was recommended that the revised duties and responsibilities of the Business Manager be appended to the AMCA Procedures Manual.

A discussion was held on Mr. Chomsky's ongoing health problems. There is a non-performance clause in his contract. Mr. Chomsky intends to become more involved in the Association through e-mail and telephone as his rehabilitation progresses. Mr. Chomsky continues on the AMCA payroll while he is hospitalized.

Mr. Hatch moved, seconded by Mr. Brown that the Executive Committee Report be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

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ANNUAL MEETING

**PROGRAM:**

Mr. Sanzone presented prototypes of the program and abstract book for the upcoming annual meeting. An area for notes may be included on the outside edge of each page of the abstract book. The program will have a saddle stitch binding and the abstract book will have a perfect binding.

The program is beginning to fill out. The keynote speaker will be a representative of the Canadian Ministry of Health. Bruce Eldridge will be giving a memorial lecture on Bill Hazeltine. Sammie Dickson is working on the Commissioner/Trustee session. Gary Clark will be working on the Latin American session.

**LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

Mr. Montgomery reported that the first local arrangements committee meeting was held yesterday at the hotel. Some logistical changes were made to the meeting plans. A tour of the Response Biomedical facility may be arranged for trustees. Telephone conferences will be held with the local arrangements committee members.

There has been no difficulty in crossing the border into Canada. Vendors were advised to contact Mendelsohn who is acting as broker for the AMCA.

Because of the change in the area used for exhibits, the banquet has been changed to Wednesday night. This leaves Tuesday night as a free night. The silent auction may be held early on Tuesday evening, leaving the rest of the night for vendor events.

Mr. Opp proposed a luncheon for the presidents of the regional associations on Monday at noon for approximately 30 people. A personal invitation will be sent out to the directors. Some may not be AMCA members.

Mr. Brown moved, seconded by Mr. Duhrkopf that the Annual Meeting Committee Report be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**ARCHIVES:**

No report was submitted. The charge to this committee will stand unchanged.

**AWARDS:**

Dr. Knapp presented the nomination committee's recommendations for the following persons for the AMCA 2005 awards and recommended they be approved by the board.

Medal of Honor	James W. Robinson
Meritorious Service	William Meredith and Dr. Major Dhillon
Memorial Lecture Honoree	Bill Hazeltine
Memorial Lecturer	Bruce Eldridge
Presidential Citation	Mark Newberg, Susan Maggy
John N. Belkin Memorial	Ron Ward
Industry	Ernest Dankwa, Valent
Boyd Fund	No nominations
George Craig Memorial	No nominations
Grass Roots	Omar S. Akbari, Reno Washoe County, Sparks Nevada and Christopher Trapp, Multnomah County Vector Control, OR

Mr. Lechel moved, seconded by Mr. Duhrkopf that the following AMCA 2005 awards nominations be approved.

The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

#### BY-LAWS AND RESOLUTIONS:

In Dr. Dame's absence, Dr. Knapp gave the committee report. The second charge to the committee was to have been to have electronic voting (telephone or e-mail) by the board members not by the general membership. The president issued a charge to the committee to determine if the by-laws allow electronic voting by board members or if the by-laws would have to be changed to allow for this. The report is due by the annual meeting. The recommendation in the committee report was tabled.

Rather than changing the date that ballots are mailed it was recommended that the ballot mailing be considered when the dates for the IBM are set. It was further recommended that a statement be inserted into the procedures manual stating the ballots must be issued between September 15<sup>th</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup>, but not more than two weeks following the IBM. If electronic voting is instituted the nominations could be voted on electronically before the IBM. The central office was directed to add the call for nominations to the yearly calendar of events so that they will be announced in the newsletter at the appropriate time.

In order to get the election of regional directors back in correct rotation the committee recommended that some directors serve two year terms. It is too late in the process to cut terms short this year. President Nasci recommended that affected directors serve a four year term, if they are willing to do so. If the director did not want to serve the extra year, a one year appointment could be made for that position. Two directors are off rotation. The President's recommendation does not require a vote.

Dr. Knapp moved, seconded by Mr. Brown that the By-laws and Resolution Committee Report be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The meeting broke for lunch at this time (12 noon).

The meeting resumed at 1:00 p.m. with all members previously present again present.

#### PUBLIC EDUCATION:

In Jeanine Tessmer absence, Mr. Hazelrigg gave the committee report. The committee felt that the "Know Mosquito" game had limited usefulness therefore they recommended that no further monies be put into production of the game. There are very few games now available. Mr. Conlon suggested that a high school level product be considered to counter the anti-pesticide message taught at that level.

Mr. Montgomery moved, seconded by Mr. Hatch that the Public Education Committee Report be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The President charged the committee to propose a strategy to get the AMCA message into the school curriculum and to pursue a partner to assist in this effort.

#### CENTRAL OFFICE:

Mr. Inman reported that the lease on the new offices has been fully executed and on the cost of the move. The move was completed by July 7<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Inman suggested that the term "AMCA Headquarters" replace "Central Office" and that appropriate signage be placed at the AMCA Headquarters offices.

Mr. Sanzone moved, seconded by Mr. Brown that AMCA signage be obtained for both inside and outside the central office and that the signage include AMCA affiliation with PESP for the interior sign. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Mr. Lechel moved, seconded by Mr. Duhrkopf that the official name of the central office be changed to "AMCA Headquarters". The motion was approved by voice vote with Mr. Brown voting nay.

The by-laws do not have to be changed. The central office and the Executive Committee will make the appropriate changes to the Procedures Manual and the web site.

Mr. Hatch moved, seconded by Mr. Hazelrigg that the Central Office Committee Report be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The Finance Committee Report was heard earlier in the meeting.

#### INDUSTRY:

Mr. Connelly reported that the committee is continuing to work on the industry data base. An industry symposium will again be held at the annual meeting. Mr. Connelly has established a rotation schedule for the industry committee.

Mr. Sanzone moved, seconded Mr. Opp moved that the Industry Committee Report be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved as presented.

Dr. Meredith reported that two pesticide manufactures had settled for 3.75 million dollars in a suit with Long Island lobstermen who claim that WNV spraying had resulted in a lobster die off. No scientific correlation has been found between the die off and the spraying. There is concern that this will cause other suits to be filed. Mr. Conlon will put a "Q & A" on the web concerning the issue.

#### LEGISLATIVE & REGULATORY

##### CLEAN WATER ACT:

Mr. Brown reported for Karl Malamud-Roam who was not present. Activities have mainly involved interaction with regulators, preparation of written documents and interaction with other professional and trade organizations. It is unlikely that there will be any movement from the EPA on this issue before the November elections.

##### WASHINGTON DAY:

Dr. Meredith presented a draft program for Washington Day 2005, which is being held in conjunction with National Pest Management Association (NPMA) Washington Day event. The AMCA will still maintain it's autonomy at the event. Washington Day is being held earlier in the year to accommodate this joint meeting. The dates are February 27, 2005 through March 1, 2005.

Capitol Hill visits will be made on Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. Unlike the AMCA, the NPMA does not have a session at the conclusion of the visits. Dr. Meredith proposed having a required interactive quorum on the AMCA member's only web site. Dr. Meredith will give a paper on Washington Day at the annual meeting.

##### MOSQUITO CONTROL ON NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES:

It was suggested that the AMCA meet with U.S. Fish and Wildlife on a higher level than in the past to inquire why there is no policy concerning this issue. Mr. Lechel does not feel that this would be productive until after it is published in the Federal Register. In California, Fish, Game and Wildlife is required to implement best management practices that will reduce mosquitoes. It has been suggested that this be used as a national model.

The committee was charged with evaluating the joint meeting with NPMA to determine if the relationship will be continued with them or other groups such as RISE. The committee was also asked to evaluate the AMCA relationship with McDermott, Will and Emery and to determine if this is the best use of association funds.

Mr. Duhrkopf moved, seconded by Mr. Hazelrigg that the Legislative and Regulator Committee Report be accepted and presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:**

Mr. Conlon recommended not renewing the contract with Broadcast Interview Sources (BIS). The AMCA now has sufficient resources for media contact. This will save the association \$800.00 a year.

Mr. Brown moved, seconded by Dr. Knapp that the Public Relations Committee Report be accepted and presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**NOMINATING:**

Dr. Knapp reported that the Nomination Committee recommended the following officers be nominated for the stated posts:

President	William Opp
President Elect	Joseph Sanzone
Treasurer	Allen Inman
Vice –President	Gene Payne and Mary Leslie Grodner

Mr. Lechel moved, seconded by Mr. Hatch to accept the nominations for officers as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Mr. Lechel recommended to the Industry nominating committee the name of Stephanie Whitman of Valent Technologies for Industry director. The nominating committee accepted this recommendation and noted that the other nominee was Dale Koslucher.

The nominees for the Northwest Region are Jill Townzen and Jeffrey Balone. There are no nominations or biographies for Latin American Regional Director. If there are no nominees the president will reappoint Humberto Quiroz, the present regional director, to represent the Latin American Region for another year.

Mr. Brown moved, seconded by Mr. Duhrkopf that the slate of nominees for regional directors be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Mr. Sanzone moved, seconded by Dr. Markowski that Donald Sutherland nomination as an Honorary Member be accepted. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**PUBLICATIONS:**

Mr. Duhrkopf gave the publications report in Mr. Sames absence. All JAMCA articles are on the web but not in PDF format. Mr. Sames will have the newsletter ready for electronic circulation by the annual meeting.

Work is being done on the various special publications. There are seven papers from the Denver meeting included in the Repellents Symposium. There were no peer reviews of these papers. It was recommended that the material be published as a special addition of the JAMCA. This would cost approximately \$2,200.00. It may be possible to get sponsorship for the publication from the Deet Coalition.

The committee recommends utilizing the services of Bio One for electronic publication of the Journal in PDF. To do this the AMCA must be a member of the American Institute of Biological Sciences (AIBS) at a cost of \$300.00 a year and a customer of Allen Press. The AMCA will receive 50% of the prorated subscription amounts from Bio One.

Mr. Lechel moved, seconded by Mr. Hatch that the publications committee proceed with publishing the repellent symposium proceeding as a special publication of the Journal, cost to be borne by AMCA if a sponsor cannot be

found. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

It was recommended that the page charges for JAMCA not be raised and if possible lowered. The committee was again charged with reviewing the JAMCA advertising fees.

The board game was discussed earlier in the meeting.

Mr. Brown moved, seconded by Mr. Sanzone that the Publications Committee Report as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**DARSIE-WARD KEY:**

The Darsie-Ward Key was discussed earlier in the meeting.

Mr. Hatch moved, seconded by Mr. Hazelrigg the AMCA pay the Florida Mosquito Control Association the \$5,000.00 owed for the publication of the Darsie-Ward Key after review of the contract by the Treasurer. The motion was approved by voice vote with Mr. Opp abstaining

The break was taken at this time (2:43 p.m.)

The meeting resumed at 2:53 p.m. with all members previously present except for Mr. Opp who returned to the meeting shortly thereafter.

**CYBERSPACE:**

Christine Musa was added as a new member of the committee. It was suggested that the web page be revised with more focus on information and less on selling AMCA items.

Blast e-mails have worked well. There are approximately 100 e-mail addresses in the data base that members have not updated. Members will be encouraged to keep their e-mail addresses current. Individual e-mail addresses have been set up for board members through mosquito.org.

**TRAINING AND MEMBER EDUCATION:**

Web documents and training opportunities are being updated on a regular basis as charged.

Mr. Duhrkopf moved, seconded by Mr. Brown that the Training and Member Education Committee Report be accepted as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**AMCA FOUNDATION AND STUDENT COMPETITION:**

Call for student papers has gone out. Ms. Rutledge continues to investigate the feasibility giving CEU's at the annual meeting.

**SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY:**

Because of hurricane activity affecting the committee chair there was no current report. Action will be deferred until the annual meeting.

**ANNUAL MEETING SITE SELECTION:**

Site being considered for the 2009 AMCA annual meeting are:

Gaylord Opryland, Nashville, TN  
Hilton New Orleans, LA  
Sheraton Birmingham, Birmingham, AL  
Hilton Omaha, Omaha, NE

There were no presentations for Nashville or the Birmingham site and it was noted that the Nashville location does not have any local meeting support personnel. It was noted that Univar would be the local support for the Birmingham site and that some areas to be used for the Birmingham meeting would be in an adjacent convention center.

Mr. Palmisano gave the presentation for New Orleans. The dates would be April 5 – 9, 2009 with room rates of \$159.00 and \$179.00 per night. These are locked in rates. Meeting held in New Orleans usually have a 15 % increase in attendance.

Wayne Kramer made the presentation for Omaha. All facilities to be used in Omaha are newly built. The room rate is \$129.00 per night. This is a guaranteed rate.

Mr. Hatch moved, seconded by Mr. Opp that the Tennessee and Alabama sites be eliminated from consideration as sites for the 2009 AMCA annual meeting. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

A discussion was held concerning the New Orleans and Omaha sites. The board felt that the New Orleans proposal was "too good to pass up" but that Omaha should be encouraged to offer a proposal again in 2012.

Mr. Duhkopf moved, seconded Mr. Brown that the 2009 annual meeting be awarded to New Orleans and strongly encourage Omaha to present a proposal again in 2012. It was noted that in the past a paper ballot vote was used to determine the site of the annual meeting. The motion on the floor was withdrawn.

A paper ballot count was conducted. The vote was eleven for New Orleans and two for Omaha. The 2009 annual meeting will be held in New Orleans.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

The meeting went into closed session at this time.

The meeting returned to open session with all board members previously present again present.

Mr. Inman moved, seconded by Mr. Montgomery that the registration fee for AMCA members at the annual meeting in Vancouver be \$265.00 with headquarters' personnel setting the price of other types of registration using Savannah rates as a guide. The cost of the individual banquet tickets will be set at the actual cost of the meal. Mr. Lechel called for a vote on the motion. The motion was passed with nine aye votes and five nay votes.

Mr. Inman moved, seconded by Mr. Duhkopf that approval be given for a one-time payment of \$4,000.00 to Joseph Conlon as an addendum to his contract; and that 10% bonuses be given to salaried employees of the association for the 2003/2004 fiscal year, payable immediately following the IBM as follows:

Bookkeeper	\$1,490.00
Publications Coordinator	1,340.00
Assistant Business Manager	3,420.00
Business Manager	3,830.00

The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

President Nasci asked for input on the AMCA position on mosquito misting systems. The AMCA wrote to the EPA asking that they take enforcement or other appropriate action to stop the systems. Some NPMA members are selling these systems. A mosquito misting system vendor has become a sustaining member of the AMCA with their name

listed on our newsletter. There are links on the AMCA web site to other vendors who sell misting systems and other mosquito prevention devices that are of questionable value and scientific validity. The AMCA does not endorse any of these products. Having a sustaining member whose business is doing something that is contrary to sound practices and to PESP is not acceptable.

As a PESP member the AMCA agrees that its members abide by the guidelines of the environmental stewardship program and since the board felt that MosquitoNix was not abiding by the guidelines, they recommended that their fee be refunded.

Mr. Palmisano reported that a group of insurers would like to poll the membership concerning an insurance pool. They are offering to give AMCA 1% of premiums. The insurers would like permission from the board and access to the AMCA mailing list to do this.

It was suggested that the insurers become members of the AMCA, which will give them access to the mailing list and that they attend the annual meeting in order to have face to face contact with AMCA members.

The president announced that the next board meeting will be held at the annual meeting in Vancouver.

Mr. Brown moved, seconded by Dr. Meredith that the meeting be adjourned.

The time 5:42 p.m.