

**American Mosquito Control Association  
February 28, 2013**

**AMCA Board Members in Attendance**

Roxanne Connelly, President  
Steve Mulligan, President-Elect  
Ken Linthicum, Vice President  
Tom Wilmot, Past President  
Gary Hatch, Treasurer  
Larry Smith, Industry  
Paul Capotosto, North Atlantic  
Henry Lewandowski, South Atlantic  
Mike Szyska, North Central  
Rick Duhrkopf, South Central  
Zane McCallister, West Central  
James Lunders, North Pacific  
Becky Cline, South Pacific  
Ildfonso Fernandez-Salas, Latin America

**AMCA Staff**

Sarah Gazi  
Joe Conlon

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President Connelly called the AMCA Board of Directors Meeting to order at 8:02 AM on February 28, 2013.

**AGENDA:**

President Connelly reviewed the items on the agenda. The below items were added to New Business:

Public Relations (video – partnership with CDC)  
Africa Symposium  
Young Professionals  
Wing Beats Update  
AH Contract  
Interim Board of Directors Meeting

**2013-2014 BUDGET:**

Mr. Hatch stated that the Latin American Fund will likely not have a negative balance based on the preliminary report on Latin American speaker registration funding.

Due to the approval of the Board Designated Legislative Fund, the operational budget will now have a negative net income.

Mr. Hatch also pointed out that the AMCA Newsletter expenses for printing and postage have been removed from the draft budget, saving AMCA \$10,000 in expenses.

A discussion was held regarding the Association covering the hotel rooms for the members of the board for the Interim Board of Directors Meeting.

- **ACTION:** A motion was made by Dr. Duhrkopf to keep the Board lodging expense in the 2013-2014 budget. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wilmot. Two opposed, one abstained, the motion passed.
- **ACTION:** A motion was made by Dr. Duhrkopf to approve the 2013-2014 budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cline. The motion passed unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT:**

- **ACTION:** A motion was made by Dr. Duhrkopf to appoint Dr. Duhrkopf to the AMCA Executive Committee. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cline. The motion passed unanimously.

**BOARD LIAISONS:**

President Connelly listed the new 2013-2014 Board Liaisons to each committee.

Public Relations – Mike Szyska  
Training & Member Education – Dennis Salmen  
All others will remain the same.

President Connelly requested that all Regional Directors assist Mr. Brown with compiling legislative contacts, as well as assisting Headquarters with a new Member Spotlight in the e-Newsletter.

Mr. Conlon stated that Ed Ruckert from McDermott Will & Emery wants a matrix of treatment thresholds. The Regional Directors can assist with this as well.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:**

Mr. Conlon suggested that we continue our current arrangement with RISE but not become a member at this time.

Mr. Conlon stated that the Public Relations Committee wants AMCA to continue to use Association Headquarters for press releases and communications.

The Public Relations committee supports the Integrated Mosquito Management video concept. The story board and script will be developed by Mr. Conlon.

Mr. Conlon announced that Bayer Environmental Science wants to do a PSA on "why we need mosquito control" in partnership with AMCA. They will circle back with a concept.

Mr. Conlon was approached by Dr. Lyle Peterson to get the "I'm One" message out there. Part of this initiative would be to produce a video with a survivor advocacy group.

**AFRICA SYMPOSIUM:**

Mr. Hatch, Mr. Mulligan, Dr. Wilmot, and Dr. Linthicum met with Mr. Manuel Lluberas this week to discuss his proposal for an Africa Symposium at the 2014 Annual Meeting. Mr. Lluberas is asking for AMCA to send letters of invitation to the speakers, plan the symposium, and provide complimentary registrations.

Discussion was held regarding the number of complimentary registrations AMCA is willing to provide.

Mr. Lluberas is working on securing sponsors in Africa.

The symposium responsibilities will be assigned to Dr. Linthicum as Program Chair. It was suggested that we provide a maximum of ten complimentary registrations.

Concern was expressed regarding the support of current sponsors. AMCA does not want to lose Annual Meeting support due to industry supporters sponsoring this symposium instead.

Three actions will be taken:

- AMCA will send invitation letters by May 2013.
- Dr. Linthicum will work with Mr. Lluberas on the symposium program.
- Sponsors will be secured outside of AMCA's continued supporters. Mr. Mulligan will approach state/regional associations to help support the ten complimentary registrations.

#### **WING BEATS UPDATE:**

Mr. Hatch provided the Board of Directors with an update. FMCA is not asking AMCA to pay for a portion of the financial loss.

The contract between FMCA and AMCA needs to be discussed and revised.

Discussion was held on who would negotiate as well as what the role of AMCA should be in regard to *Wing Beats*.

It was stated that AMCA should have a larger role if we are expected to risk a loss of funds.

Quarterly reports should also be provided.

An AMCA representative should also sit on the *Wing Beats* Editorial Board.

Problems with the two mailing lists have been present for many years. A separate website may be created where individuals would have to sign up and enter their contact information to continue to receive the publication.

- **ACTION:** A motion was made by Mr. Lunders to renegotiate the *Wing Beats* contract. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cline. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Gazi and Mr. Hatch will take the lead on this.

#### **ASSOCIATION HEADQUARTERS CONTRACT:**

Dr. Connelly stated that she spoke with the Executive Committee regarding the Association Headquarters contract. Mr. Hatch will renegotiate a three year contract over the summer.

In 2017 an RFP will be sent out for management services.

**INTERIM BOARD MEETING SCHEDULING:**

The Board of Directors discussed possible dates for the Interim Board of Directors Meeting. The meeting will likely be in September or October, based on the availability of the hotel and the schedules of the members of the Board of Directors.

**YOUNG PROFESSIONALS:**

Mr. Mulligan is very excited to serve as the liaison to the Young Professionals Group.

Ms. Kristy Burkhalter (Centers for Disease Control, Fort Collins, CO) will serve as the Chair, pending approval from her supervisor, Dr. Harry Savage.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Ms. Gazi stated that the vendors seemed happier this year with the new exhibit hall hours. Mr. Smith agreed.

The audio visual contract with PRG will automatically be renewed for the next two years.

The 2014 Welcome Reception will be held on the same day as the Super Bowl. Association Headquarters staff will make a point ensure that the Super Bowl is available for viewing in the exhibit hall.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

- **ACTION:** A motion was made by Mr. Lunders to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dr. Wilmot and approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.