# AMERICAN MOSQUITO CONTROL ASSOCIATION BUSINESS MEETING

Wednesday, March 23, 2011

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

President McAllister called the meeting to order at 10:36 AM.

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

President McAllister called for a list of individuals who passed away during the past year; Dan Sudia, Bill Bickley, PJ Ariaz, Jim Webb, Grant Watson, and the brother of Yasmin Rubio-Palis.

President McAllister called for a moment of silence for those above.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

President McAllister called for the approval of the minutes of the March 31, 2010, Annual Business Meeting held in Lexington, KY, which were distributed to all members present.

Dennis Wallette moved, seconded by Stephen Sickerman, that the minutes of the March 31, 2010, Annual Business Meeting be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President McAllister stated that AMCA has had a good year but faces some challenges which Dave Brown will discuss during his committee report.

President McAllister thanked the committees that have made her year productive and easy.

President McAllister reminded those in attendance to complete the Annual Meeting survey after the conclusion of the meeting. She also announced that AMCA has signed a new three year contract with Association Headquarters and a new three year contract with Joe Conlon, AMCA Technical Advisor.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Sarah Gazi, AMCA Executive Director, reviewed the current list of AH staff working for AMCA.

Ms. Gazi then reviewed meeting registration numbers over the past 10 years. Anaheim's attendance will not surpass the 2007 attendance but will be the second highest in 10 years.

Ms. Gazi also reviewed exhibit sales. Revenue for exhibits is the highest it has been in the past 10 years. The number of abstracts submitted for 2011 is also the highest in the past 10 years.

Membership is slightly down but no cause for concern.

Finally, Ms. Gazi announced some of the new features that members can expect to see when the new website launches in 4-6 weeks.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Allan Inman, AMCA Treasurer, reviewed the 2010 year end financial performance.

Mr. Inman also reviewed the AMCA investments and income vs. expenses for 2009-2010.

Mr. Inman also reviewed the legislative expenditures.

It was announced that the 2011-2012 budget will be in the black if approved this week.

Mr. Inman negotiated the Association Headquarters budget based on the consumer price index.

Mr. Inman stated that he had three goals when he became Treasurer of AMCA: to grow the Student Competition Fund to have a balance over \$50,000, to increase Sustaining Membership, and to grow the reserves. Mr. Inman was able to accomplish 2 out of 3 goals. The Student Competition Fund balance came very close to \$50,000 but did not reach it.

Bill Reinert moved, seconded by Dr. Dave Dame, that the Treasurer's Report be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

## **COMMITTEE ACTIVITY:**

## ARCHIVES COMMITTEE REPORT:

Scott Crans presented the Archives Committee Report. Mr. Crans has been working with Rutgers University to catalogue and permanently store AMCA's archives.

The committee has also submitted two Newsletter articles over the past year.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

Gary Hatch presented the Finance Committee Report. Mr. Hatch stated that the committee had no new charges. He worked with Ms. Gazi and Mr. Inman on developing the 2011-2012 budget.

The association is financially stable.

## **INDUSTRY COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Stephanie Whitman presented the Industry Committee Report. Ms. Whitman stated that this committee works closely with Association Headquarters staff to make sure that the vendors are happy and that everything runs smoothly.

# LEGISLATIVE & REGULATORY COMMITTEE REPORT:

Dave Brown presented the Legislative & Regulatory Committee Report. Mr. Brown acknowledged the subcommittees and their chairs.

Mr. Brown discussed the Clean Water Act and NPDES. HR872currently has 105 cosponsors. Mr. Brown stressed how important it is that he has a contact from AMCA in each state and requested help in identifying these people.

# PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT/TECHNICAL ADVISOR REPORT:

Joe Conlon presented the Public Relations Committee Report as well as a report on his duties as AMCA Technical Advisor.

Mr. Conlon thanked Truc Dever for coordinating Education Day.

The committee posted NPDES assistance documents on the AMCA website.

Mr. Conlon stated that he has been spending time helping Ms. Gazi with website content as well as handling 4,300

emails, 2,700 phone calls, 27 interviews, 14 radio interviews, publishing articles, posting comments, and attending meetings.

#### PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT:

Steve Presley presented the Publications Committee Report.

Dr. Presley stated that his committee, particularly Dr. Graham White, is developing a guide for authors. The committee will work with Dr. Malamud-Roam to investigate publishing.

Stephen Sickerman thanked the editors, advertisers, and authors of Wing Beats. Mr. Sickerman presented Mr. Inman with a check in the amount of \$9,600.99

## SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT:

Scott Gordon presented the Science & Technology Committee Report.

Dr. Gordon stated that the paper written by Joe Conlon regarding misting systems should be adopted as the official AMCA position.

The committee is working on compiling a list of universities and colleges with entomology departments.

## TRAINING & MEMBER EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT:

Roxanne Connelly presented the Training & Member Education Committee Report.

The committee is working on setting up webinars on pesticide safety, ticks, and repellents.

Dr. Connelly stated that AMCA can not have a comprehensive CEU format because of the varying requirements from different states. AMCA will help secure CEUs whenever possible though.

## YOUNG PROFESSIONALS GROUP:

Stanton Cope stated that the new group held their first event yesterday and will continue to organize such events in the future.

## THANK YOU TO OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS:

President McAllister thanked the outgoing committee chairs and presented Dr. Marc Klowden with an award acknowledging his service on the *JAMCA* Editorial Board.

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President McAllister thanked Allan Inman for his service as Treasurer and presented him with a plaque.

President McAllister thanked Stephanie Whitman for her service as Industry Director and presented her with a plaque.

President McAllister passed the gavel to Dr. Bill Meredith, incoming AMCA President

President Meredith presented Dr. McAllister with a plaque in recognition of her AMCA presidency and thanked her for her hard work over the last year.

President Meredith announced the 2011-2012 Officers and Regional Directors.

Officers:

Bill Meredith, President

Roxanne Connelly, President-Elect Tom Wilmot, Vice President Janet McAllister, Past President, 2010 Gary Hatch, Treasurer

Regional Directors:

Larry Smith, Industry Director
William Reinert, North Atlantic
Stanton Cope, Mid-Atlantic
Henry Lewandowski, South Atlantic
Jim Stark, North Central
Dennis Wallette, South Central
John Holick, West Central
James Lunders, North Pacific
Steve Mulligan, South Pacific
Yasmin Rubio-Palis, Latin-America

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

President Meredith called for any old business. None was reported.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

President Meredith called for any new business. None was reported.

## ADJOURNMENT:

President Meredith made closing remarks and indicated what an honor it is to serve as AMCA President.

Gary Clark moved, seconded by Rick Duhrkopf, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 PM.