

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
American Mosquito Control Association
December 2, 2015
Via Conference Call

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AMCA Board Members in Attendance

Ken Linthicum, President
Stanton Cope, President-Elect
Steve Mulligan, Past President
Gary Hatch, Treasurer
Larry Smith, Industry Director
Dennis Salmen, Mid-Atlantic
Chris Lesser, South Atlantic
Becky Cline, South Pacific

AMCA Staff

Dan Lemyre
Lori Jenssen
Bill Schankel

Not in Attendance

Wayne Gale, Vice President
Ildefonso Fernandez-Salas, Latin America
Paul Capotosto, North Atlantic
Rick Duhrkopf, South Central
Mike Szyska, North Central
Jason Kinley, North Pacific
Zane McCallister, West Central

CALL TO ORDER:

President Linthicum called the AMCA Board of Directors Meeting to order at 2:01 PM on December 2, 2015. A roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

President Linthicum reviewed the items on the agenda. An item, Bayer

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Award Update, was added to the agenda.

- **ACTION:** A motion was made to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

HONORARY MEMBER NOMINATION:

The board was presented with a letter of nomination for an Honorary Membership for Mr. Sammie Lee Dickson. Per the bylaws, an endorsement by $\frac{3}{4}$ of the board must be made before the nomination goes to the membership for voting.

- **ACTION:** A motion was made to send, by email, a ballot to the board for an endorsement of the honorary membership nomination. Pending approval by $\frac{3}{4}$ of the board, an email ballot is to be sent to the general membership. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.
- **CHARGE:** Headquarters will send an email ballot to the board for $\frac{3}{4}$ endorsement of the honorary membership nomination. If approved, an email ballot will be sent to the general membership.

MOSQUITO RESEARCH FOUNDATION:

President Linthicum reminded Regional Directors of their charge at the Interim Board Meeting to determine the interest of their different regions regarding funding of mosquito research (MRF/AMCA). There were both positive and negative findings reported. Concerns were also brought forth regarding administration of research grant funding, the costs involved, and potential success/failure.

- **ACTION:** A motion was made to proceed with incorporating MRF under the umbrella of AMCA, to discuss with MRF the specifics, with a complete re-alignment into the AMCA operation

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with no MRF administration/board required to be part of the newly-formed organization. The motion did not include agreement of the proposed administration fee as outlined by AH. A roll call vote resulted in three yes votes, four no votes, and one abstention. *The motion did not pass.*

BYLAWS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The board was given, in advance of the meeting, a copy of the proposed bylaws changes. These changes include the restructuring of regions and inclusion of the retired member subcategory.

The board also discussed the revision of Article XII (Parliamentary Authority) that changes the use of rules from "Roberts Rules of Order" to conducting meetings by the "good sense" of the chair using standard parliamentary procedure.

- **ACTION:** A motion was made to approve the bylaws changes as submitted with the addition of Article XII to read, "Section 1. Meetings will be conducted by the 'good sense' of the chair using standard parliamentary procedure." The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

The bylaws change will now be sent to the membership for vote.

2019 SITE SELECTION:

Mr. Bill Schankel made the recommendation to the board to accept the proposal from the Caribe Royale as the location for the 2019 AMCA Annual Meeting. It was suggested that we try to negotiate free parking.

- **ACTION:** A motion was made to proceed with securing the Caribe Royale in Orlando, Florida as the location for the 2019 AMCA Annual Meeting. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

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2016 WASHINGTON CONFERENCE:

Mr. Bill Schankel reported on the results of securing a location for the 2016 Washington Conference at a time when Congress is in session. The proposed dates are Monday, May 9th thru Wednesday, May 11th, with May 10th scheduled for visits to Capitol Hill. The Melrose Georgetown Hotel has provided the best rate, with availability. They have also indicated that they would offer AMCA a two-year contract to lock in the dates. It was suggested that we investigate public parking options and/or negotiate the \$32 parking rate.

- **ACTION:** A motion was made to accept the recommendation of the Melrose Georgetown Hotel for the 2016 (only) Washington Conference. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.
- **CHARGE:** AH to investigate public parking (with metro access) and to try to negotiate the \$32 parking fee.

BAYER SPONSORSHIP:

Mr. Stan Cope announced that Bayer will be sponsoring travel via the Kelly Labell award. He has a call tomorrow and will find out more then.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Mr. Gary Hatch also reported that AMVAC will be sponsoring \$5000 for the YP Pre-convention meeting. He asked that AH set up a separate account for funds, and that the leftover funds would then go into the YP General Fund. An invoice will need to be sent to Mr. Peter Connolly (AMVAC) for this support.

- **CHARGE:** AH will set up a separate account for YP Pre-convention meeting funds and will invoice AMVAC for \$5000.

ADJOURNMENT:

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- **ACTION:** A motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM.