

# American Mosquito Control Association

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday June 20, 2024

## Minutes

*Zoom*

### Present

#### *AMCA Board Members in Attendance*

President	Dr. Rui-De Xue
Vice President	Dr. Isik Unlu
Treasurer	Mr. Gary Goodman
Industry Director	Dr. Broox Boze
International Director	Mr. Griffith Lizárraga
North Atlantic Director	Mrs. Priscilla Matton
Mid-Atlantic Director	Mr. Michael Doyle
South Atlantic Director	Mr. Robert Cartner
North Central Director	Dr. Carl Doud
North Pacific Director	Ms. Angela Beehler

#### *Excused Absences*

President-Elect	Mr. Herff Jones
Past President	Dr. Kristen Healy
South Central Director	Mrs. Colby Colona
West Central Director	Mr. Scott Bradshaw
South Pacific Director	Mr. Peter Bonkrude

#### *Staff in Attendance*

Ms. Megan MacNee, Executive Director; Ms. Natalie Perry, Events Manager

#### *Guests*

Dr. Dan Markowski, Technical Advisor

### Call to Order/Agenda/Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 am. by President Rui-De Xue

- Approval of Agenda (**Motion** by Goodman/Doyle, Approved)
- Approval of Minutes (**Motion** by Goodman/Boze, Approved)

### Treasurer's Report

- Gary Goodman presented the proposed budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.
  - The budget included increases in both membership dues and meeting registration fees.
  - The board engaged in a discussion about the appropriate cost for meeting registration and the overall value attendees derive from the conference.
  - Additional discussion centered around specific budget line items and general inquiries about expenses.
- Approval of AMCA 2024-2025 Budget. (**Motion** by Boze/Beehler, Approved)

### Events Update

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- Natalie provided an update on the planning process for the 2025 Annual Meeting.
  - The update included a discussion of the local arrangements committee and their request that the \$10,000 donation was allocated towards single-day registrations for the conference.
- Progress on planning and preparations for the 2025 Washington Conference was reported.
- An update on an IBM meeting was given.

### **Technical Advisor Update**

- The Technical Advisor reported attending a PPAC meeting with the EPA earlier in the month.
- An update on the launch of an emergency response virtual training program was provided.
- The Technical Advisor reported that a modeling project is set to launch next steps in the coming week.
- Progress on a media campaign related to a medical issue (possibly a disease) was described as positive.
  - The update included information about target audiences for the campaign and the development of messaging and a website.
- The Technical Advisor is working with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to address issues related to the Portland region's disapproval of congested area plans.

### **Executive Director Report**

- The Executive Director reported receiving the second year of funding for a modeling grant.
- An update on the status of the AMCA Research Fund was provided.
- The Executive Director discussed the membership renewal process.
- Additional updates were given on IBM planning, efforts to increase mosquito awareness, and the development of a training hub.

### **Additional Updates**

- Xue reported attending a Vector Borne Mosquito Disease roundtable hosted by the CDC.
- The possibility of organizing a tick symposium was discussed.
- The concept of a symposium focused on neglected diseases was introduced.

### **Meeting Adjourned:**

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 am. by President Rui-De Xue