

Utah Mosquito Abatement Association

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Minutes of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS August 2, 2018

The Utah Mosquito Abatement Association's Board of Directors met for the monthly meeting September 6, 2018, at 10:30 a.m. at the Uintah MAD, 1425 East 1000 South, Vernal, Utah. The meeting was conducted by President Scott Bradshaw. Those present were Sean Amodt, Ryan Arkoudas, Dean Bell, Scott Bradshaw, Rich Chapoose Jr., Brian Hougaard, Drew Hunter, Ryan Lusty, Dan Miller, Elizabeth Nance, Richard Rigby, Kirk Robbins, Chris Rowley, Eldon Rowley, Randy Sessions, and Stephanie Whitman. Those attending by conference call: Gary Hatch, Gale Jirik, Michele Schafer, TJ Shelby, and Greg White.

- 1. **MINUTES:** The minutes of August 2, 2018 were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Brian Hougaard. The motion was seconded by Richard Rigby. The motion passed.
- 2. FINANCIAL REPORT: The financial report dated August 31, 2018, showed a balance of \$54,233.20 in the money market account and \$2,700.11 in the checking account for a combined total of \$56,933.31 in all accounts. The money was distributed in the following funds: (1) General Fund: \$41,290.53, (2) Encephalitis Surveillance Fund: \$6,534.69, (3) Droplet Calibration Fund: \$9,108.09. A motion was made by Randy Sessions to accept the financial report. It was seconded by Kirk Robbins. The motion passed.

3. 2018 ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE:

- Randy Sessions reported that the meeting will be held at the Eccles Conference Center in Ogden, Utah, October 28-30, 2018. There are two hotel options. The Hampton Inn is attached to the Conference Center. Randy did not think that any attendees would need to go to the Hilton Garden Inn which is about a half mile away. Randy reported that most of his Board would not attend the whole conference since they cannot stay the night because of the fifty-mile rule. He suspected that many of the districts along the Wasatch Front would have a similar situation. Randy would like a head count on how many people will be attending the Presidential Reception. Randy said that Sean Amodt has the program organized well.
- Sean Amodt asked if anyone would volunteer to do the door prizes. Door prizes will be conducted by Scott Bradshaw and Ryan Lusty. There will be door prizes Monday morning, at the banquet, and Tuesday morning. The

Trustee's Session will be held Monday afternoon. Sean reported that the keynote speaker is ready to go. Bill Walton and Lee Consteadte will be presenting. Drew Hunter will give a presentation "Know what is going on in Nevada." Rick Chaoopse Jr. said he would wait for another year to present.

- Greg White reported that he had sent presentation titles for Bill Walton and Lee Comsteadte.
- Sean Amodt handed out a draft copy of the program that will be included in these minutes. Monday afternoon has been set up as the commercial time for the vendors.
- Scott Bradshaw said that he had reached out to a musician to play at the banquet. This person would be about \$400 for a three-hour set. The Board thought it would be better to have a West Nile Virus talk at the banquet. Elizabeth Nance said she knew someone she could contact. Dan Miller said he could contact a West Nile Virus survivor. Randy Sessions said that the presentation from a survivor at AMCA was very good. Dan Miller said there is a nation-wide website where the veterinarians report West Nile Virus. Dan Miller will also ask an acquaintance who has had West Nile Virus if they would be interested in talking to us
- Eldon Rowley commented that the West Nile Virus cases are not being reported. Many of the managers commented that the reporting could be much better with cooperation from the medical community. Dan Miller said that many times the follow up testing is not being done. Randy Sessions said that the subject could be addressed on a conference call with the Health Department.

4. LEGISLATIVE:

Ryan Lusty reported on the Farm Bill and NPDES. Ryan has sent two letters to the state delegation asking them to support the Farm Bill and doing away with NPDES. Gary Hatch was concerned about the human resource training. Ryan will find out if the training at the Utah Association of Special Districts will qualify as training for the human resources officer. If it will not work, Gary will pursue training with David Church from the Utah Local Governments Trust. Ryan will report back with more information.

5. SURVEILLANCE: Gary Hatch reported that there are six positive human cases across the state and one death from West Nile Virus. Two cases from Salt Lake County, one from Utah County, one from Box Elder County and two from the Try-County area (Uintah, Duchesne, and Daggett). Box Elder and Cache Counties have had thirty-four positive mosquito pools this year. Elizabeth Nance had a question on why the south has not had many cases. It should be more because of the heat this summer? Brian Hougaard commented that there are many factors. Sean Amodt said that in 2017, West Nile Virus showed up in his district this week. Elizabeth Nance said she had trapped in the interior of the marsh and caught three hundred *Culex erythrothorax* and only seven at the perimeter of the

marsh. She was able to confirm that the *erythrothorax* don't move much from where they are hatched. Randy Sessions said that last year there were four human cases in Box Elder County and they did not show up until this time of the year. There were six deaths in the state last year form West Nile Virus.

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

- Elizabeth Nance said that she is going through Truth in Taxation and she has to obtain permission from the county council in order to request a tax increase. She was wondering what help they would get from others in an emergency. The consensus was that the only help available was the emergency fund they are allowed to have in the state code. She reported that the district will be asking for about a 50 percent increase. Randy Sessions suggested that Elizabeth contact the State Tax Commission and have them walk her through every step. Elizabeth said the State Auditor's office suggests that districts raise the taxes more often so they will not have big raises all at once. Gary Hatch said that it costs \$12,000 to send out his mailers. Randy Sessions said that it costs his district \$16,000 to send out Box Elders mailings.
- Dan Miller reported that Bruce Murray was doing better, but it should be another six weeks before he is back to work.
- Richard Rigby asked if there were any awards that need to be ready for the meeting this fall other than the Presidential award. The Board discussed that we are beyond the date to do the Meritorious Service award, unless we do it at this meeting since the by-laws say it has to be approved at least 30 days before the meeting by a two-thirds vote of a quorum.
- Richard Rigby is the Nomination Committee Chairman. He asked about nominations for the new Vice President and the Secretary position. He will get with the Nominating Committee and nominate some candidates.
- Drew Hunter said that the state bid renewal is coming up this year. Ryan Arkoudas said he has been in contact with the state purchasing office and there is a new officer (Michael Glen). Ryan has a meeting scheduled with the State Purchasing on October 2, 2018. Michael Glen has requested that three to four members from the UMAA attend this meeting. Ryan thinks Michael Glen will be a good person to deal with. Ryan will report at the next meeting.
- Elizabeth Nance will be hosting the Manager's meeting in October. She reported that Moab has a lot of options for housing other than the hotels in town. There is a website that list the different options.
- Scott Bradshaw asked about getting a Committee started for the 2021 AMCA meeting. Dan Miller suggested that those going to Orlando should pay attention to what needs to be done. Gary Hatch said that the AMCA will do a lot of the preparation.

• Greg White commented that Ary Faraji will be President of the AMCA the year the convention is in Utah. Ary is planning on having a field day.

7. VENDOR NOTES:

- Stephanie Whitman commented that Steve Ingalls had left the Valent group. She said that on October 1, 2018, Valent Bio-sciences will make ADAPCO their nation-wide distributor. She said they did fill Steve Ingalls position. The new person is John Holick.
- Drew Hunter said that he has had the opportunity to do resistance trials in Nevada and Oregon. They have been very successful.
- TJ Shelby said he is very excited about the changes Univar is making. These changes should be announced in October or November.
- Gale Jirik reminded the Board that ADAPCO has a warehouse in Salt Lake City. ADAPCO is very excited to have the Valent distributorship.
- 8. Sean Amodt made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned.

NEXT MEETING: October 4, 2018, at 1000 Sand Flats Road, Moab, Utah.

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