

MISSOURI ANIMAL CONTROL ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMEBER 11, 2022, at 1:00 PM

The meeting was conducted live at Camden on the Lake in Lake Ozark, Missouri. The meeting was called to order by President Holly Bowie at 1:05 PM.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Holly Bowie __X__ Matt Allen __X__ Mark Hastings__X__ JT Taylor __X__
Christina Elmore__X__ Steve Norman __X__ Sandy Alexander __X__ Dan St. Lawrence __X__
Jamie Williams __X__ Casandra Mosholder __X__ Sara Spease __X__ Wendy Combs __X__
Kristina Baxter __X__

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

All Executive Board members were present for this meeting.

NON-VOTED COMMITTEE CHAIR ATTENDANCE

Gina Tanner was not present at the meeting.

MEMBER AND GUEST ATTENDANCE

There were no guests in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA

An item was added to the agenda. JT Taylor made a motion to accept the amended agenda, which was seconded by Dan St Lawrence and unanimously approved.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

Previous meeting minutes were reviewed by the Board. Dan St Lawrence made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as presented. Jamie Williams seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

MEMBERSHIP'S COMMENTS

There were no guest members present and no comments made.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

President's Report

President Holly Bowie reported having been very busy with last minute conference preparations. She said there were several things to discuss but that it would be better covered during committee reports.

Vice President's Report

Vice President Matt Allen reported that there was 62 attendees pre-registered for the conference and he thanked everyone for taking on additional duties to help out with conference preparation. He reminded everyone that the Swag Bag stuffing would be done right after the meeting and he asked the Board members to check their conference program schedule to see what their assigned duties were during the conference. He asked whoever was assigned to collect meal tickets, collect them, count them and turn in the envelop with them inside after each meal. He thanked Kristina Baxter for making the new MACA Board shirts. Kristina showed everyone the new shirts and said they would be passed out after the meeting. He reminded the Board that everyone would be leading various teams during the scavenger hunt. Matt also went over the registration table process and asked the Board members assigned registration duties to ask all registrants if they needed additional banquet tickets. He informed the Board of a change in the presenters and line up due to DHSS's presenter being unable to attend. He said Tim, with Best Friends had agreed to fill in the timeslot. Holly said there were extra banquet tickets prepared to be sold to whomever needed to purchase them, she reminded everyone working the registration booth to get good email addresses for all attendees as their attendance certificate will be emailed. Holly also added that if needed, she could make additional name tags for speakers or attendees.

Recess: Holly recessed the meeting for lunch at 1:29 and re-convened the meeting at 1:48 PM.

Secretary's Report:

JT Taylor said the 2021 Annual Business Meeting minutes had been sent to Holly and had been included in the Conference Program. He said everyone needed to encourage the attendees to read over the minutes before-hand as the minutes would not be read during the Annual Business Meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Casandra Mosholder reported the main account balance is \$23,793.18, with a certification account balance of \$4,406.34. There is also currently a Paypal balance of \$0.00. JT Taylor made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented which was seconded by Jamie Williams and unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

Awards:

Jamie Williams thanked Casandy Mosholder for picking up the awards and transporting them to the Conference site. He said JT, Holly and Matt were still working on the Awards Ceremony script and thanked them for doing this.

Certification:

Christina Elmore said there were 25 people signed up for the fall certification program and that she had put a cap on registrations due to space. She said everything was basically ready for the Nov 8 and 9 program and that early plans for the spring 2023 program to be in the KC metro area.

Constitution and Bylaws:

JT Taylor reported having prepared a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws in a binder for conference attendees to review if they wished.

Legislation:

Dan St Lawrence said that Ashlynn, with MAAL, had wanted him to pass on her thanks for MACA's support last year during the legislative session. He said things are already starting to move for the 2023 legislative sessions preparation and he expected to be busy again next spring. Dan also thanked Matt Allen for his reportedly successful presentation on animal control's involvement in domestic violence situations and said Ashlynn said he had done an outstanding job.

Historian and Photographer:

Mark Hastings reported that he has a slide show prepared for the conference breaks and banquet dinner.

Membership:

Sandy Alexander passed out the most recent membership list and reported having had done a lot of updates based on the conference registration information.

Nominations:

Dan St Lawrence apologized for not being more prepared and thanked JT Taylor for helping out with preparing the ballots. He said there were a few nominations made through the website for director seats: Beth Gillespie and Katie Daugherty. There was a general discussion on the Board seats up for election and it was confirmed that Matt Allen will run for re-election as Vice President, Christina Elmore will run for re-election to the Board and that Mark Hastings and Kristina Baxter will not seek re-election.

Scholarships:

Sara Spease reported that all scholarship attendees would be present but there had been some complications with one who has had a recent change in supervision and management. She said this attendee would have to leave the conference at 11:00 AM on the last day due to having to get home to make a presentation on what she had learned to her new leadership.

Merchandise:

Wendy Combs reported that the new shirts were in. She said there were 30 of each shirt in a variety of sizes. She said there were also hoodies, decals and stickers from Joe the ACO and that they would be using receipt books to better help better track merchandise movement.

Exhibitors:

Steve Norman reported that there were 8 exhibitors this year. He reported having had several positive contacts in the last two weeks from leads Holly and JT got for exhibitors at the Midwest Animal Sheltering Conference, but most indicated they would be interested in coming to the 2023 conference.

Grants:

Steve Norman said he had reached out to Bass Pro, which was a stretch but worth the attempt, and to Marriott. He said Marriott might have been more receptive if we'd been using their properties for the conference. He said most granters had said this was a "rebound" year for them and as such there were no grants available.

Social Media:

Christina Elmore reported that she'd been keeping the social media pages up to date with promoting the conference and the certification program coming up in November.

Newsletter:

JT Taylor reported the fourth quarter magazine was a work in progress. He said in addition to the standard sections on officer safety, field and shelter operations, he had included an article on the Midwest Animal Sheltering Conference and anticipated most of the magazine being dedicated to the Annual Conference results.

Mini-MACA:

Christina Elmore and Kristina Baxter had nothing to report at this time.

Website:

Gina Tanner was not present, so no report was given.

OLD BUSINESS**Midwest Animal Sheltering Conference:**

Holly Bowie and JT Taylor reported feeling they had had great success as MACA exhibitors at this conference. Holly said there had been nearly 200 people in attendance from all over the Midwest and most were very receptive to our information. She said they ran out of handouts about MACA and about the annual conference and certification training programs. JT said he was amazed at the number of people from surrounding states who were interested in attending our MACA certification program because they have nothing like it available in their state. He also reported that "Abby" (conference coordinator) had expressed an interest in working with us in the future. Holly said she felt it was well worth the expenses for the Association to have a booth now and in the future.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE

The next meeting is scheduled as a live special meeting for approving the Board slate to be held sometime on 10/12/22 at the conference.

ADJOURNMENT

Dan St Lawrence made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Jamie Williams. The board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting and it was closed at 2:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Taylor

**James A. (JT) Taylor
Executive Secretary**