# MISSOURI ANIMAL CONTROL ASSOCIATION

# **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

# JULY 7, 2022, at 10:00 AM

The meeting was conducted via Zoom. The meeting was called to order by President Holly Bowie at 10:06 AM.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Holly Bowie \_X\_ Matt Allen \_X\_ JT Taylor \_X\_ Casandra Mosholder \_X\_ Mark Hastings \_X\_ Dan St Lawrence \_X\_ Sandy Alexander \_X\_ Sara Spease \_X\_ Christina Elmore \_X\_ Steven Norman \_X\_ Jamie Williams \_X\_ Wendy Combs \_X\_ Kristina Baxter \_X\_

#### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

All members were present, no action necessary.

### 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**

JT Taylor made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Steven Norman seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

#### PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

Previous meeting minutes were reviewed by the Board. Sandy Alexander made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as presented. Steven Norman 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 said she has sent website updates to Gina. She said she expected it to be updated soon. She also reported that according to the most recent email from the Midwest Animal Sheltering Conference and it appears that she and JT Taylor will both be able to attend the training sessions as MACA exhibitors. She reminded the Board that the Association was paying for JT's hotel accommodations and that her agency would likely pay for hers but if it didn't then MACA would. JT asked that when she made his hotel reservation that she informs them he would be a late night check in on Sept 22 as he would be returning from out of state that evening and driving straight to the conference from the airport. There was a brief discussion on when to set up the booth and she and JT said they'd coordinate that closer to the time in September.

## **Vice President's Report**

Vice President Matt Allen said he had made the room reservations for the speakers, award winners and 5 scholarships. He said the conference registration count was 6, with 3 Board members. He said he has spoken with most of the speakers. He said there was a one-hour time slot still unassigned and said he had two possible animal health speakers. There was a general discussion on the pros and cons of having DHSS do the standard rabies/zoonosis presentation every year or have some other Veterinarians present on other animal health issues. Matt said he would speak to the two possible veterinarian presenters and see if there was a way to squeeze both presentations in. Kristina Baxter said she had spoken with Sara Spease about speaker baskets after the last meeting. They have a few ideas and will continue working on them. Matt also asked that a list of donated items for door prizes start being prepared to help keep track of what will be available for the conference.

#### Secretary's Report

JT Taylor said the website is up to date with approved meeting minutes and said he'd be sending the last months minutes now that they have been approved.

#### Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Casandra Mosholder reported a main account balance of \$12,036.43, a certification account balance of \$5,915.01, and a Paypal account balance of \$1,743.31. She said she had gotten all the balance distributions sorted out but had another recent influx of membership and certification renewals come in.

### **COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS**

#### Awards:

Jamie Williams said he had seven nominations at this point. There was a general discussion on the pros and cons of posting nominees names and the award nominated for on the website. At this time there is one nominee for Paws for Applause, one for Animal Care Specialist, two for Veterinarian of the Year, two for ACO of the Year and one for the John Rhodes Award. He said he needed an agency of the year nominee to have all of the awards filled.

# **Certification:**

Christina Elmore said she has been getting certificates sent out and getting ready to start sending out October renewals. She said she, Holly Bowie and Steven Norman had visited the Residence Inn in Columbia and have decided to have the fall certification program there. She said she was currently waiting to hear back from the hotel on getting everything locked in place.

# **Constitution and Bylaws:**

JT Taylor stated there were no changes to the Constitution and Bylaws or Certification Bylaws and he had nothing to report.

## **Legislation:**

Dan St Lawrence reported that the legislative session has ended and there is nothing new to report at this time.

## **Historian and Photographer:**

Mark Hastings said he had nothing new to report.

## **Membership:**

Sandy Alexander said she and Christina Elmore had been working on adding the new members from the Lebanon Mini MACA program.

### **Nominations:**

Dan St Lawrence reported having received two nominations, one for a Board seat and one for Vice President. There was some general discussion about the possibility of other nominations that have not been forwarded to Dan and he said he would speak with webmaster Gina Tanner about it.

### **Scholarships:**

Sara Spease reported having received five applications for scholarships to date. She said three of them meet all the requirements for eligibility, while two are not currently MACA members. She said she has reached out to them to give them the opportunity to join the Association before the submission deadline.

#### **Merchandise:**

Wendy Combs said she and Kristina Baxter have been looking at ideas to bring to meeting and will get the Board's thoughts and sizes. She said she'd spoken with Beth Gillespie, former Merchandise Committee Chair, and she'd told Wendy the place she got merchandise is Macs Sportswear on Barry Road in Kansas City. There was a general conversation on possible types of merchandise to get. Decals and stickers appear to be popular now and several options were discussed. There was a question regarding the use of the MACA logo and JT Taylor said that in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws the Board had to approve the use of the approved MACA logo, however variations were not the same thing and historically the use of the logo on MACA merchandise had never been an issue.

## **Exhibitors:**

Steve Norman said he had heard from Diamond Dog Food again and they now are unable to attend as an exhibitor. He said they have already paid their exhibitor fee. He said they would be sending some donated items as well. He said he had reached out to one of the businesses Casandy Mosholder had recommended and, while they cannot be an exhibitor, they will be sending some donated items for the door prizes. He said he'd received three rejections, one of them saying the MACA conference is too small for them to attend.

## **Grants:**

Steve Norman said there was nothing new to report.

# **Social Media:**

Christina Elmore said she'd been posting award, nomination, and scholarship reminders.

### Newsletter:

JT Taylor said the third quarter MACA News was written but there was a problem in formatting that occurred when it was emailed. Matt Allen pulled up an online issue and said the previous issues were opening properly and displayed the full page. JT said he was having to set up a whole new template to re-format it. He said he thought it would be ready to send to Holly in the next few days.

## **Mini-MACA:**

Christina Elmore said Jamie Williams was going to confirm that we venue for the August mini and she said both speakers are still on board. She said she will start pushing the August Mini registration but if there aren't enough, it will be cancelled. As of right now, she said, she had a couple people mention they were going but haven't registered yet. Jamie said he would reach out to some of the surrounding area agencies. JT Taylor said he would reach out to the Jefferson County area agencies about the August Mini as well.

#### Website:

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

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# **Conference T-Shirts for Board Members**

Kristina Baxter said she and Wendy Combs had spoken a little about our Board t-shirts and concluded the real question is what the Board wants on the shirts. There was a discussion on slogans versus just a MACA BOARD, front of the shirt or back of the shirt, and other options. She said they just need a clear direction and what colors the Board prefers. She said sizes were no problem and up to XL they would be approximately \$3.00 per shirt, going up to approximately \$6.00 per shirt at the 4X size.

# **Tuition Situation from Lebanon Mini MACA**

JT Taylor asked if the tuition error that occurred with the St Robert's attendees had been resolved. Christina Elmore said some of those attendees turned out to have already been members and the members rate paid was appropriate. She said they had resolved the situation to everyone's satisfaction.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business for this meeting.

# **NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE**

The next meeting is scheduled for August 9 at 11 AM at the Oasis Hotel in Springfield.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

JT Taylor made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Sandy Alexander. The board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting and it was closed at 12:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Taylor James A. (JT) Taylor

**Executive Secretary**