

## 2010 Microbial Control Division Business Meeting Minutes

Meeting convened 8:31 PM, 14 July 2010 in Trabzon Turkey, with 35 MCD members attending. Chair Surendra Dara chaired the business meeting. Chair-elect Stefan Jaronski recorded minutes.

Dara pointed out that the Microbial Control Division membership stands at 170, and is the largest division within the Society of Invertebrate Pathology. But we have only 7 student members.

Current MCD officers are

Chairperson	Surendra Dara (USA)	2009-2011
Chairperson elect	Stefan Jaronski (USA)	2009-2011
Secretary/Treasurer	Sue MacIntosh (USA)	2009-2011
Member at large	Steven Arthurs (USA)	2009-2011
Member at large	Ken Narva (USA)	2010-2012
Student representative	Maria Cristina Crava (Spain)	2010-2012

The Division's Financial Report was next presented.

Microbial Control Division Finances:

FY 2010 (1 May 2009-30 April 2010)

Balance from FY2009	\$6,926.05
Income from dues	\$ 548.00
Interest	\$ 139.00
Total	\$7,613.05
Travel assistance for Fuxa ('09)	\$ 400.00
Balance as of 30 April 2010	\$7,213.05
Expenses for the Trabzon meetings:	
Student travel awards	\$1,150.00
Scientist travel assistance	\$ 700.00

In 2010 MCD gave travel awards to two students (Angeles Cancino-Rodezno, \$750, and Maria Cristina Crava, \$400) and travel assistance was provided to one scientist (Govind Gujar, \$700). There were only three student applicants this year.

Scientific presentations by MCD members at Trabzon included 18 (3 student) oral and 23 (2 student) poster presentations. The symposium, "Biological control of corn rootworm", organized by Ken Narva, was quite successful, with over 100 attendees. The officers thank Ken for his effort in organizing the symposium. MCD also participated in the workshop, "Pathogens of arthropods other than insects" organized by Surendra Dara.

One Member-at-Large position needed to be filled and Ken Narva was elected by majority vote to replace Nina Jenkins. His term will be 2010-2012. Maria Cristina Crava was elected

MCD Student Representative.

Several ideas were presented for the 2011 SIP meeting Divisional Symposium: Microbial Control Agents in Integrated Pest Management [Jaronski] Workshops: Promoting Public partnerships [ ? ] How to proceed from the lab bench to practical use field [ ? ] Cross-divisional symposium: Being worked out with Bacteria Division

The level of divisional membership fees was discussed. Last year the MCD voted against increasing the division dues. This decision was renewed this year.

Other business: The *Bacillus thuringiensis kurstaki* standard evaluation was initiated a couple of years ago with Surendra Dara (then at Certis) and Gary Benzon (Benzon Research) to verify the potency of the standard. Caroline Hauxwell is in the process of finalizing the statistical analyses. Dirk Ave is communicating with her to announce the results in the near future.

Business session was adjourned at 9:00 PM and divisional workshop was then convened.

Stefan T. Jaronski for the Secretary Treasurer