Program Committee

Committee Members: J. Braun (Co-Chair), L. Flaherty, J. Hoffman, E. Lacey, P. A. Larsen, S. Loeb, K. Mabry, D. Odell, D. Post, S. R. Pugh, M. Revelez, L. Ruedas, M. Schadler, B. Shaw, R. Sikes, W. Smith, N. Solomon, T. Tomasi (Co-Chair), P. A. Zollner.

Mission:

The Program Committee is responsible for the solicitation and acceptance of proposals for symposia and workshops, for advertising the meeting to other scientific societies, for soliciting bids to host meetings, and assisting meeting hosts in preparing for annual meetings.

Information Items:

(1) Committee Organization:

The committee is organized into two sub-committees and various special assignments:

<u>Pre-Meeting Preparation:</u> T. Tomasi (Chair), M. Schadler, R. Sikes, N. Solomon <u>Symposia and Workshops:</u> D. Odell (Chair); A. Fairbairn, J. Hoffman, E. Lacey, S. Loeb, K. Mabry, D. Post

Special Activities:

- 2011 ASM-AMS Joint Meeting: Winston Smith
- Run for Research: Patrick Zollner
- Advertising: Stephen R. Pugh
- Vendors: Marcia Revelez

(2) Subcommittee Activities:

Symposia and Workshops:

One symposium proposal was received and reviewed. We recommend this symposium for 2012 (financial details below under Action Item):

- Title: Interactions between mammals and their pathogens
- Organizer: Richard Ostfeld
- Speakers:
 - o Patricia Conrad (UC-Davis) Sea otter parasites
 - o Anna Jolles (Oregon State U) Cape buffalo parasites
 - o Eric Schauber (Southern Illinois) White-tailed deer & chronic wasting
 - o Denise Dearing (U of Utah) Hanta Virus

Pre Meeting Preparation:

Revisions have been made to update, organize and edit the Guide for Annual Meetings, and additional editing/addition is planned.

(3) Future Meetings:

2012 – A report on preparation for the 2012 meeting in Reno at the Peppermill Hotel and Casino will be presented to the membership (Tom Tomasi).

2013 –Bids will be presented for hosting the 2013 meeting in Philadelphia or Baltimore (Janet Braun).

Action Items:

(1) The Program Committee requests approval of the budget requested to support expenses associated with the following symposium at the 2012 ASM meeting:

Title: Interactions between mammals and their pathogens

Organizers: Rick Ostfeld

Requested Budget:

Registration: (\$260 x 3)	\$780
Housing: (\$275 x 3)	\$825
Meals: (\$250 x 3)	\$750
Travel (airfare, shuttle) for Dr. Jolles:	\$350
Travel (car mileage) for Dr. Conrad:	\$100
Travel (airfare, shuttle) for Dr. Dearing:	<u>\$250</u>
REQUEST:	\$3055

A second symposium and/or a workshop will be solicited for the 2012 meeting if time permits.

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Requested Budget for second symposium:

Registration: (\$260 x 3)	\$780
Housing: (\$275 x 3)	\$825
Meals: (\$250 x 3)	\$750
Travel	<u>\$700</u>
REQUEST:	\$3055

TOTAL REQUEST:

Respectfully submitted,

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