# **MUVE Preliminary Business Meeting - Agenda**

Monday, November 6, 2017, Meeting Room 706, 4:20pm

#### 1. Introduction of Officers

| Alec Gerry<br>Dini Miller<br>Mustapha Debboun<br>Changlu Wang | President<br>Past President<br>Vice-President<br>VP-Elect (& Chair of Awards Selection) |
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| Dana Nayduch  | Incoming VP-Elect   |
| Ellen Thoms   | Secretary (out-going)   |
| Neil Spomer   | Treasurer   |
| Chris Geden   | Representative to Governing Board   |
| Dave Taylor   | Chair of MUVE Nominations Committee   |
| Glen Scoles   | Representative to ESA Publications Council  |
| Pia Olafson   | Representative to ESA Awards and Honors Committee                                       |
| Jennifer Gordon   | Representative to ESA Science Policy Committee  |
| Faith Oi  | Representative to ESA Diversity and Inclusion Committee                                 |
| Kyndall Dye   | Representative to ESA Early Career Professionals Committee                              |
| Kenneth Brown   | Representative to ESA Committee on Membership   |
| A. Glen Skiles  | Representative to ESA Committee on Student Affairs                                      |
| Ronda Hamm  | Representative to Education and Outreach Committee                                      |
| Officers in <b>Bold</b> constitute the MUVE Governing Council |   |

#### 2. Recognition of MUVE Highlights speakers

Veterinary Highlights- Dr. Justin Talley (Oklahoma State University)

Medical Highlights- Dr. Roberto Barrera (CDC, Dengue Branch, Puerto Rico)

Urban Highlights- Dr. Chow-Yang Lee (University Sains Malaysia)

## 3. Recognition of Shripat Kamble Urban Entomology Award Recipient:

Congratulations to **Mark Janowiecki** (Texas A&M University) for his selection by ESA-MUVE as the recipient of the Shripat Kamble Urban Entomology Graduate Student Award for Innovative Research! Mark's research proposal focuses on the inter- and intraspecific colony spatial dynamics and interactions in *Reticulitermes* (Rhinotermitidae) termites. In particular, Mark proposes to determine 1) whether termites from one colony can detect other nearby colonies through vibrational cues or other means, 2) how termites distinguish nestmates from non-nestmates, and 3) how termites react to encountering termites of other colonies of the same or different species. The Shripat Kamble Award will provide Mark with funds to support the molecular genotyping of termites for these studies.

#### 4. Recognition of MUVE Travel Grant Winners

Sanjay Basnet (University of Nebraska-Lincoln) Meredith Spence Beaulieu (North Carolina State University) Ashleigh Faris (Texas A&M) Sudip Gaire (Purdue University) Annie Rich (University of Georgia).

#### 5. Recognition of MUVE Recipients of ESA Awards

Please join our MUVE Governing Council in congratulating our MUVE members on their achievements!

Roger Moon: Honorary ESA Member Status Mustapha Debboun: ESA Professional Award – Fellow. Rebecca Baldwin: ESA Professional Certification Award - Distinguished Service Award to the Certification Program Brian T. Forschler: ESA Professional Award - Recognition Award in Urban Entomology Erika Machtinger: ECP Teaching Award Chong Chin Heo: Comstock Award

6. The MUVE Governing Council would like to recognize and thank our MUVE colleagues below that we elected this summer to fill important MUVE leadership positions for the next 3 years. Congratulations to each of our elected leaders!

<u>MUVE Governing Council:</u> Dana Nayduch – MUVE Vice President-Elect Neil Spomer – MUVE Treasurer (re-elected)

<u>Representatives to ESA Journal Editorial Boards:</u> **Marc Fisher** – American Entomologist **Shaun Dergousoff** – Annals of the ESA **Sonja Swiger** – Arthropod Management Tests **Alvaro Romero** – Journal of Integrated Pest Management **Lee Cohnstaedt** – Journal of Medical Entomology

## 7. MUVE Governing Council Reports

- President
- Treasurer
- Governing Board Representative

#### **MUVE Recent Accomplishments:**

**8.** *MUVE has a new Website* - ESA has completed the website redesign for each of the Sections. The new website has a more modern layout. Check it out and let us know what you think! <u>http://www.entsoc.org/muve</u> **9.** *MUVE has a quarterly newsletter* – if you are not getting it, then you are not registered with ESA as a member of MUVE! Also available on ESA-MUVE website. Can submit items for newsletter on website also.

# **10.** Summary of MUVE Priorities (see more detail in MUVE newsletter)

Responses from membership in order of frequency are categorized below:

- Coordination of outreach efforts related to MUVE areas of interest
  - Citizen awareness of vectors and risks
  - Educating policy makers
    - guidance on pest management, disease risk
- Advocate for increased funding of Med/Vet/Urban entomology
  - Faculty and federal research positions (particularly field positions)
  - Research funding
  - Partner with other National Associations (e.g. NPMA)
- Identify emerging trends, coordinating surveys and organizing management of insects
- Recruitment of new entomologists
- Bring a global perspective to policy/science in med/vet/urban entomology

*Summarizing responses:* MUVE members perceive the most important role of our Section is to coordinate scientific outreach and engagement to the public and to policy makers. With a secondary role of advocating for additional Med/Vet/Urban faculty and federal research positions, and for increased funding for applied and field-oriented research to maintain U.S. capabilities to manage important arthropod pests.

# → We will revisit this topic during the MUVE final business meeting where we will identify suitable priorities for each area (med, urban, vet) that we can begin to collectively focus effort on.

## 11. Caribbean Emergency Vector Response Network

Support of vector control community is requested throughout the Caribbean following the devastating hurricane season. A "network" of vector control professionals has been organized to provide support to vector control throughout the region. Requesting volunteers who are available to deploy during November to conduct vector control (no pay and no travel support currently – but an opportunity to provide critical disaster support and get experience). Communicate directly with the organizers at response@vectorstars.co

## 12. New business