# **Program Committee**

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#### 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:

<u>Advertising:</u> A meeting announcement was sent to 13 societies with a request to post the information on their web site. Six societies published the announcement.

## Symposia and Workshops:

Four symposium proposals were received and reviewed. We recommend 2 symposia for 2011 (financial details below under Action Item):

- New ecological and evolutionary perspectives in mammalian biogeography. (Robert Anderson & Christy McCain)
- Cryptic and undocumented diversity in the mammals of Australasia (Brian Arbogast & Kyle Armstrong)

## **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:

2011 – A report on preparation for the 2011 joint meeting with the Australian Mammal Society at Portland State University will be presented to the membership (Local Committee Chair: Luis Ruedas).

2012 – A bid will be presented for hosting the 2012 meeting at a resort in Oaxaca Mexico (Local Committee Chair: Jorge Ortega Reyes).

#### **Action Items:**

(1) The Program Committee requests approval of the budget requested to support expenses associated with the following symposium at the 2011 ASM meeting. Title: *Cryptic and undocumented diversity in the mammals of Australasia* Organizers: Brian Arbogast & Kyle Armstrong

Speakers: Ken Aplin, Kristofer Helgen, Brian Arbogast & Kyle Armstrong

Two participants (Arbogast and Helgen) are regular attendees of the ASM

meetings and therefore require no financial support. However, the two Australian

members of the proposed Symposium (Armstrong, Aplin) do require support.

# Requested Budget:

Registration; \$225 X 2 = \$450 Housing; \$150 X 2 = \$300 Meals; \$175 X 2 = \$350 Air Fare; \$1,600 X 2= \$3,200

Total Requested; \$4,300

## Respectfully submitted,

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