

# Committee Reports

## Awards Committee

Members of the awards committee and the year their term ends are:

Robert Brock	2008
Mike Eppihimer	2008
Mary Pat Kunert	2008
Roland Pittman	2007
Terrence Sweeney	2006
Russell Prewitt (Chair)	2006

Two replacements and the designation of a new chair will be necessary for next term.

This was a banner year for the Awards Committee.

First there was an extra meeting held in conjunction with the British Microcirculatory Society in New Hampshire, September 11-13, 2005. There were 12 applicants for travel awards to the New Hampshire meeting and the committee scored their abstracts for scientific merit. 5 awards were given.

Secondly, additional calls for applicants produced a much larger number of applicants for the Krogh post-doc and Zweifach graduate student travel awards. Fortunately, the number of awards was also increased.

Dr. William Rosenblum was selected as the recipient of our society's highest honor, the Eugene M. Landis Award for 2006.

Dr. Ryon Bateman received the travel award for Outstanding Young Investigator and plans to visit laboratories in Japan. We are looking forward to the report of his trip next year.

There were 14 applications for the August Krogh Young Investigator Travel Awards and 7 were awarded.

There were 28 applications for the Benjamin Zweifach Graduate Student Travel Awards and 13 were awarded.

The society has been encouraging electronic submission of all application material and this was the first year that this goal was achieved. I thank the applicants for their cooperation and ask that this practice be continued in the future.

This was a most successful year for the Awards Committee and I thank the members for their diligent efforts and prompt communications.

Submitted by Russell L. Prewitt  
Chair, MCS Awards Committee  
March 16, 2006

## **Finance Committee**

**Submitted by Mary D Frame, Treasurer**

### **Summary 2005-2006**

*Total Holdings \$187,157.75*

*Total Income \$161,734.91 (includes \$50,000 transferred from Vanguard)*

*Total Expenses \$124,770.10*

### **Summary of Holdings**

Vanguard Account \$48,990.70

M&I Bank CD \$92,334.39

TFCU checking \$45,822.66  
*(Teachers Federal Credit Union)*

*\$187,157.75*

### **Itemized Holdings**

#### **Vanguard Account**

Balance 12/31/2004	\$95,163.15
7/22/05 check redemption*	-\$50,000.00
profit	\$ 3,130.22
Balance 12/31/2005	<b>\$48,990.70</b>

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*\*pre-payment for Joint Meeting, New Hampshire, 2005*

#### **Marshall & Ilsley Bank CD**

Balance 12/31/2004	\$90,884.70
2004 interest income	\$ 2,885.26
Balance 12/31/2005	<b>\$92,344.39</b>

#### **Teachers Federal Credit Union**

Savings	\$ 1.00
Checking (3/20/06)	\$45,822.66

## Summary of Income

**\$ 161,734.75**

Dues received 12%  
Taylor&Francis 4%  
Meeting Revenue 46%  
Donations 4%  
Other 31%

## Itemized Income

### Dues (as of 3/20/2006)

**\$19,375**

Student	\$ 370
Associate	\$ 630
Regular	\$17,745
Emeritus	\$ 630
Online	\$ 14,030
By Check	\$ 5,345

### Taylor&Francis

**\$ 6,000**

*Journal Honoraria(as of 3/20/2006)*

7/21/05	\$ 2,000
10/5/05	\$ 2,000
1/10/06	\$ 2,000

### Meeting Revenue (as of 3/20/06)

**\$74,489.52**

USUK meeting	\$69,509.72
Hawaii – refund on deposit	\$ 1,559.80
Banquet 2006	\$ 3,420.00

### Donations

**\$ 5,460**

The APSa \$ --  
Dr. AP Shepard \$ 1,500  
Taylor&Francis \$ 1,000  
Texas A&M Ud \$ 1,000  
Dr. RW Gore \$ 1,000  
Donations for DVD \$ 960

a Not received for 2005.

b Unrestricted gift

c Gift that will continue

d For 2005 Gerritsen Award.

e For 2 student travel awards, USUK meeting

Note: \$1000 received from Dr. HG Bohlen for travel awards credited during FY ending 2005.

**Other**

TFCU interest income \$ 65.39  
Vanguard check redemption \$50,000.00

**Summary of Expenses** **\$124,770.15**

Journal 8%  
MCS WebSite 2%  
LinkPoint Secure Payment <1%  
Meeting Costs 75%  
Awards 14%  
Other <1%

**Journal Expenses** **\$10,221**

Taylor&Francis \$9,000  
per issue\$2,250  
  
Editorial Office \$1,221

**MCS WebSite** **\$ 2,198.44**

*Honoraria and travel expenses for RW Gore*

**LinkPoint** **\$ 542**

*Online Secure Payment Service, direct cost*

**Meeting Costs** **\$93,430.50**

Banquet 2006 \$11,848.56  
Executive Breakfast \$520.80  
Joint Meeting with BMS \$81,061.14

**Awards** **\$17,000**

**Other** **\$1,186.11**

Not-for-profit filing \$ 35  
((\$35/year)  
Accountants/taxes \$1,096  
(FY ending 2005)  
Postage, Supplies (Treasurer Office) \$ 55.11

# Joint Meeting of the BMS and MCS, Durham, NH September 2005

## Final reporting of meeting finances submitted by M Frame, MCS Treasurer

### Summary of Expenses (paid by the MCS)

Contract with the New England Center			
hotel charges paid up front		\$34,762.08	
program fee		\$27,500.00	
av services		\$555.00	
catering, sat BBQ, water, boxed lunches		\$2,996.00	
additional facilities for BBQ sat		\$475.00	
special serv, shuttle, rooms, wine 3nights, etc		\$2,890.73	\$69,178.81
Speakers for the meeting			
Registration	9 @	\$220.00	\$1,980.00
Hotel *		\$2,552.04	
Travel		\$4,737.31	\$9,269.35
Event Insurance			\$2,125.68
Abstract booklet printing			\$487.30
Total of Expenses			<b>\$81,061.14</b>

\*Hotel for G Mann was paid by MCS on-site. It appears in the final ledger as a hotel charge.

### Summary of Revenue (received by the MCS, excepting the BHF check)

Registration			
Regular		\$20,150.00	
Students		\$3,850.00	
Guests		\$4,150.00	
Accompanying persons meals only		\$922.00	\$29,072.00
Hotel Reimbursement			
Collected from registrants by the NEC, and paid to MCS			\$34,311.72
Cash collected for 18 box lunches (\$7 each)			\$126.00
Donations from industry/foundations			
Perimed		\$1,000.00	
WPI		\$1,000.00	
British Heart Foundation **		\$4,000.00	\$6,000.00
Total of Revenue			<b>\$69,509.72</b>

\*\*BHF check is retained by BMS

### Profit/Loss Summary

	Meeting Loss reported	-\$11,551.42
Equal shares of loss by MCS and BMS		
Loss to BMS	-\$5,775.71	
Loss to MCS	-\$5,775.71	
Payments to MCS by BMS		
Share of total loss	\$5,775.71	
BHF check	\$4,000.00	\$9,775.71
currency conversion factor of 1.74 (1/16/2006)		£5,618.23
Incoming Wire from BMS 1/31/2006	\$9,750.00	00.00

## **Nominating Committee**

There were a total of 11 nominees for President, 6 for Treasurer, and 14 for council. Those with the highest number of nominations were contacted first with respect to their willingness to run. If an invitation was declined, I moved on down the list.

For the elections, a total of 117 votes were cast; 5 of these were duplicates but only the first vote was counted. Thus, a total of 112 members of the MCS participated in the election. Of these, 2 were faxed, 4 were sent through US Mail, and the rest were submitted electronically.

## **Program Committee**

Robert Hester attended the APS programming meeting for EB 2006 last June. He has organized some informal sessions to encourage interaction among society members at the beginning of the meetings.

We had 199 abstracts submitted to the microcirculation categories.

We are still looking for symposia topics (hopefully with some financial support) for the 8th World Congress to be held in Milwaukee, August 15-19, 2007. We still have a lot of flexibility with regard to symposia and are especially looking for “hot topics”. I have a current list of suggested programming if anyone would like to see it.

## **Publications Committee**

Committee members: Matthew Boegehold (Chairman), Fitz-Roy Curry, Neil Granger, Samina Kanwar, Richard Price

This past year (2005-2006), the Publications Committee addressed the following major issues:

1. The NIH “Policy on Enhancing Public Access to Archived Publications Resulting from NIH-Funded Research”, also known as the “Public Access Policy”, took effect on May 2, 2005. This initiative strongly encourages all investigators to make their NIH-funded, peer-reviewed final manuscripts freely available on line through the National Library of Medicine’s “PubMed Central” *immediately after the date of publication.*

The American Physiological Society has come out against this plan, concluding that “it will do little to enhance public access to biomedical research while causing disproportionate harm to not-for-profit societies that publish high-quality journals containing a significant amount of NIH-funded research”. Many publishers already provide some form of free public access. Among other issues, the plan would “infringe on the copyright interests of (a) federal grantees who author copyrighted articles based upon NIH-sponsored research, and (b) publishers of professional journals that have accepted those articles for publication and to whom copyright interests have been conveyed”.

The MCS Publications Committee will formulate a recommendation for the MCS Executive Council on what, if any, policies should be formulated for our society’s journal in response to this NIH initiative.

2. In January, 2006, Matt Boegehold asked the other committee members to start thinking about who would be well suited to take over for Bill Jackson as the next Editor-in-Chief of “Microcirculation”. This request was made in preparation for some preliminary discussion on this issue at the 2006 MCS meeting in San Francisco. Dr. Jackson’s term actually runs through the end of 2008, but the search process could take a relatively long time, and it would be ideal if the Society could elect the next Editor at our annual meeting in 2007. Dr. Jackson feels that this would provide for a smooth transition, allowing ample time for that person to identify a new set of associate editors, recommend new members for the editorial board, and start recruiting special topics issues and manuscripts for his or her first year as Editor.

3. The Publications Committee also voted to approve the proposed recipients of this year’s Publication Awards: The Wiederhelm Award (most cited article, 2001-2005) should go to: Amaral, SL, Linderman, JR, Morse, MM and Greene, AS. Angiogenesis induced by electrical stimulation is mediated by angiotensin II and VEGF. *Microcirculation* 8(1): 57-67, 2001. This article had 34 citations. The Gerritsen Award (most cited review article, 2001-2005) should go to: Helisch, A, and Schaper, W.

Arteriogenesis - The development and growth of collateral arteries. *Microcirculation* 10(1): 83-97, 2003. This review article had 45 citations.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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**MCS Web Site Summary Report  
(March 28, 2005 to March 22, 2006)  
Dr. Robert W. Gore**

**I. Major Projects for this year, 2005-2006:**

- A. Help Dr. Damon with the transfer from Dr. Meininger to Dr. Damon of Web Site related Secretarial duties (The Newsletter, on-line email, etc.).**
- B. Set up the mirror site at the University of Mississippi with the help of Dr. Hester.**
- C. Complete the web site for the fall, Joint Meeting of the US and UK Societies. Manage the electronic registration, abstract submission, and electronic communication in support of Drs. Baldwin and Bates, and Dr. Frame, to facilitate communication within and among the organizers of the conference.**

**II. Summary of Web Server Statistics for March, 2005 – March, 2006:**

See the complete data set for server statistics for 2005-2006 on the MCS web site at:  
<http://microcirc.org/ABOUT/about.html>

**General Summary: March 28, 2005-March 22, 2006:**

**Successful requests: 217,676**

**Average successful requests per day: 606**

**Logfile lines without status code: 2,691**

**Successful requests for pages: 140,617**

**Failed requests: 29,138**

**Distinct files served: 1,072**

**Distinct hosts served: 14,269**

**Corrupt logfile lines: 8**

**Data transferred: 7.366 Gigabytes**

**Average data transferred per day: 21,036 Mbytes**

**III. Plans for Next Year (2006-2007):**

- A. Request permission to use up to \$4,000 for operation and maintenance of the society web site for the coming year (2006-2007). This request is unchanged from previous years.**

**B. Complete the mirror site with the help of Dr. Hester. This is very close to completion.**

**C. Work closely with Drs. Sweeney and Frame during the transfer of the duties of Treasurer from Dr. Frame to Dr. Sweeney. This will also require coordination with the people at the University of Mississippi who are preparing the mirror site.**

**D. A new society person (possibly the Treasurer) must be identified who will take on the duties of “The Web Guy” no later than the annual meeting next year, 2007, when Dr. Gore will step down from that role after a decade of service.**

**Submitted to Dr. Deborah Damon, MCS Secretary**

**By Dr. Robert W. Gore, March 22, 2006**

**CC: Dr. Robert Hester, MCS President**