STMA 2000 Annual Meeting Report

The STMA Annual Meeting was called to order by President Steve Guise at 12:20 PM on January 15, 2000, at the Regal Riverfront Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri.

Membership Committee Chair, Kurt Nilsson, reported that 1999 STMA membership had culminated with a growth rate of 26.5 percent over 1998. He challenged each STMA current member to bring one qualified individual into the membership ranks for 2000.

Treasurer Bob Patt reported STMA ended 1999 with a greater than budgeted amount of income over expenses, further strengthening the Association's financial base. He thanked all STMA members, Commercial Members and Exhibitors and Conference attendees for their continued support of STMA and its programs.

Awards & Scholarships Committee Chair, Tim Moore, announced the new sponsorship program and noted that part of that sponsorship





Your new STMA Board of Directors back (l-r): Mike Andresen; Steve Trusty, Executive Director; Murray Cook; Rich Moffitt; Tom Burns; Steve Guise; Monty Montague front (l-r): Dave Rulli, Lynda Wightman, Tim Moore, Bob Campbell (Mike Trigg & Dr. Tony Koski were not available for the picture)

would provide some financial support of expenses to help the recipients attend the Annual Conference and Awards Banquet.

By-laws Chair, Mike Schiller, reported the proposed changes in the by-laws had been passed almost unanimously by the membership.

Steve Trusty announced the two new affiliated chapters: the Arizona Chapter and the Gateway Chapter.

Rich Moffitt announced the Board had approved the continuation of the Strategic Planning initiative and asked all those who would like to provide input or ideas to please forward them to STMA Headquarters.

Chair of the Technical Standards Committee, Mike DePew, reported that he is continuing to work with the ASTM on standards and guidelines pertaining to athletic fields and will keep the membership informed of progress on those items.

Mike Schiller reported the results of the Election of Officers and Directors as voted by the STMA Membership.

Automatically moving from president-elect to president, according to the STMA by-laws, is your new **president**, **Rich Moffitt**. **Steve Guise** automatically moves to the **immediate past president** position. Elected by the mail vote of the STMA membership, again according to the STMA *continued on page 15*

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by-laws, are: President Elect - Murray Cook, Commercial Vice-President - Lynda Wightman; Secretary - Tim Moore, Treasurer - Bob Campbell. Elected to the Category II position, representing four year colleges and universities sports turf facility managers, is Mike Andresen; elected to the Category IV position, representing parks and recreational sports turf managers, is Mike Trigg and elected to the new Category VIII position, representing those with teaching, research or extension responsibilities, is Dr. Tony Koski.

Also on the board, beginning the second year of his two year term is **Tom Burns**, representing **Category I**, professional facility sports turf managers. Moving into the second year of the twoyear term of his appointment to the **Category III** position is **Dave Rulli**, representing sports turf managers of schools other than four-year colleges and universities.

Sports

Lynda Wightman's election to the

Commercial Vice-President position leaves a vacancy in the Category V board position. According to the STMA by-laws, incoming President, Rich Moffitt, will appoint the new Category V Board member.

Steve Guise handed over the gavel to new President Rich Moffitt.

President Moffitt appointed **Monty Montague** to the **Category V** Board position.

Those going off the Board after completing long-term commitments to STMA were honored: Bob Curry, Bob Patt and Mike Schiller.

Rich Moffitt announced the year 2000 Committee Chair Assignments. (See list on page 3).

President-Elect Murray Cook announced the next annual meeting will be held in conjunction with the STMA Annual Conference & Exhibition to be held January 17 - 21, 2001, in Tampa, Florida.

The meeting was adjourned at 1 :15 PM by President Rich Moffitt.

Report on STMA Board Post Conference Meeting

The STMA Board met on January 16, 2000, from 4:10 PM to 5:45 PM at the Regal Riverfront Hotel in St. Louis Missouri.

This is a post-conference review session, another of the responsibilities of your STMA Board Members. Along with the review, other business conducted included the assignment to committee chairs to establish their full committees and the funding of expenses for the STMA Technical Committee chair.

The next Board Meeting will be held on March 3 and 4, 2000, at a site yet to be announced. Anyone having input for that Board meeting, or questions about any of the administrative functions of STMA, is invited to contact STMA Headquarters or any of your Board members.

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