

Office or Committee Name: CAST Representative Officer or Chairperson Name: Gregory Dahl

Date of Preparation (include year): August 03, 2020

Activities during the year:

I have familiarized myself as what is the role of the CAST Representative for WSWS with CAST. Provided a CAST Report and Presentation to the WSWS society at the WSSA and WSWS joint meeting in March 2020.

Participated in each of the Monthly Plant Working Group remote meetings for the year. Meetings were held on January 28, February 26, March 26, April 24, May 26, June 24 and July 30, 2020.

Participated in a CAST Mentoring Session with Luke Bozeman, BASF. This was very helpful to me.

Participated in several remote meetings with other Weed Science Society CAST Representatives led by Jill Schroeder (WSSA) and including Reid Smeda (NCWSS), Hillary Sandler (NEWSS) Lynn Gettys, (Aquatic Plant Management Society) and Carrol Mosely, Syngenta (Representing CAST and WSSA). We are trying to bring value from CAST to each of our Societies. We are working on projects to improve CAST's value to each of our Weed Science Societies and its members.

The group led by Jill Schroeder is also investigating needs and opportunities involving the area of invasive species. We are exploring what issues and opportunities relating to invasive species issues should be documented and presented as CAST publications. We have had some discussions with Lee Van Wychen and others, and we are interested in what may be needed.

We were informed that CAST has decided to hold its October 2020 National Meeting and Associated meetings remotely this year. I will not need to travel to participate. I do plan to participate remotely in the meetings.

Recommendations for Board Action:

No recommendations to the Board at this time. Thank you for this opportunity.

Budget Needs:

Thank you to the WSWS and the WSWS Board of Directors for supporting CAST. I have no additional budget requests at this time.

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