



WSWS Officer and Committee Report Annual Board Meeting – March 9, 2015

Office or Committee Name: Education and Regulatory

Officer or Chairperson Name: Kirk Howatt

Date of Preparation (include year): February 27, 2015

Committee Activities during the Year:

Coordinate schedule and needs of symposium between Bill Cobb and Joe Yenish. The symposium offering will be on Monday afternoon to allow fresh minds for more engaged participation compared with the end of the meeting schedule. Comments on this placement will be reviewed.

Several potential discussion topics were considered for the meeting session. Papers include herbicide registration issues and questions asked by general public. Anticipated discussion will revolve around pesticide usage, reregistration, and education activities towards more informed public.

Access to CEUs at the WSWS meeting was summarized into a table of current understanding. Some individuals have been helping to secure these for certain states and agreed to continue with this effort: Brent Beutler, Bill Cobb, Brian Olson, and Kelley Young. These individuals should be added to a standing committee if one is formed. States that do not need CEUs include North Dakota, South Dakota, and Nebraska. Several of the states that have not been represented require room monitors, speaker BIOs, summary of included presentations, or longer presentation times from individual speakers. Control over attendance at specific talks seems to be the most common issue: California, Colorado, Hawaii, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Oregon. A sheet will be available at the CEU desk for individuals to identify states to investigate, because CEUs for some states might be desired that we could obtain.

Recommendations for Board Action:

no need

Budget Needs:

None known. Board approved complimentary display table space for symposium participant. Potential incidental expenses were noted at last meeting within budgetary allowance but material prep has not been submitted.

Suggestions for the Future:

Review need for state CEU offering through signup sheet at this year's CEU table. These CEUs are for applicator certification. To serve society members, perhaps consider CEUs for CCA certification as well.

Current Committee Members: Sandra McDonald

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