



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

Office or Committee Name: WSSA Representative

Officer or Chairperson Name: Marty Schraer

Date of Preparation (include year): March 2, 2015

Committee Activities during the Year:

Attended 2015 Annual Meeting of WSSA, Lexington, KY
-notes from BOD following annual meeting in Lexington

- WSSA remains financially sound with 2014 income of about \$925K and expenses of \$714k
- Conference Status, updated report – Joyce Lancaster
 - 395 attendees
 - 15 guests
 - Revenue: \$164K
 - Expenses: \$125K
- Graduate Student Organization—Kate Venner & Darrin Dodds
 - 75 registered
 - Good participation in the luncheon & workshop
 - Inaugural Graduate Student Poster Contest
 - 45 posters
 - 2 MS poster section with a total of 14 posters
 - 3 PhD poster sections with a total of 31 posters
 - There was discussion of creating a graduate student paper contest. The first year would not be until 2017.
- The BOD approved formation of committees to address an EPA request for guidance on monitoring and mapping the development/spread of herbicide resistance in the U.S. Deadline for response is May 2015.

The BOD is in the process of reviewing/approving a 5 year strategic plan for 2015-2020. The BOD reviewed proposed amendments to the WSSA Mission Statement.

The 2016 meeting will be held in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in conjunction with the Southern Weed Science Society.

Recommendations for Board Action: None

Budget Needs: None. Travel expense covered by employer.

Suggestions for the Future: None at this time.

Current Committee Members: N/A

Name of Person Preparing This Report: Marty Schraer