



WSWS Officer and Committee Report Annual Meeting March 11, 2013

Office or Committee Name: WSSA Representative

Officer or Chairperson Name: Pat Clay

Date of Preparation (include year): February 28, 2014

Committee Activities during the Year:

Brief summary of Board Action via electronic voting from July 11 2013 through January 31, 2014

MOP Revisions

The board approved a motion for WSSA to accept changes to the Manual of Operating Procedures as revised. A full version of the motion can be found in the minutes of the WSSA Board Meeting.

Nominations of 2014 WSSA Awards

The board approved a motion to accept the recommendation of the Nomination committee for WSSA Awards. Peter Dotray – Texas Tech University Received the Teaching award from WSSA.

WSSA Director of Publications

The board approved Sarah Ward as the next WSSA Director of Publications replacing Jim Anderson.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Contracts were completed with Allen Press for Publications.

Mike Barrett is now in place as the EPA Subject Matter Expert.

Change in Meeting Management – Kate Counter left Allen Press mid-year. Meeting management is now by handled by Kansas State University Division of Continuing Education (contracted by Allen Press). Tony Ballard is the primary contact at KSU.

Executive Secretary Report

Membership declined to 1,250 in members in 2013 (loss of approximately 100 members)

Sustaining Membership has declined slightly but have worked to get commitment to “re-up”

Discussion on ways to reach out to lapsed regular members (particularly from industry).

Treasurer’s Report

Current financials are very solid for WSSA

Operating expenses/revenues are running a surplus

Program Report for Annual Meeting

393 Presentations (up from two previous non-Hawaii meetings)

4 symposia

Publications

Research Methods in Weed Science - 210 pages, 13 chapters. Approved funding for Special Issue of Weed Science, E-book conversion. Access will be a “free” benefit for members.

Revenue for IPISM went up this year. Still operating at a deficit. This should change in the next year with the bundling of the journals under the new contract with Alan Press.

Liz Simpson approved as newsletter editor by the Board.

Herbicide Handbook new edition should go to publishing in April – Dale Shaner, Editor

Past President’s Corner

Board approved a new section on the website with issues/views, listing of past President’s, Necrology reports and etc.

Letter to EPA regarding Mode of Action on Herbicide Labels

Final letter to EPA was approved regarding Herbicide mode of action and resistance management language.

NIFA Fellow

\$25,000/year was approved to support travel to USDA to establish a weed science presence at the agency

Award Committee

A new Advocacy Award was proposed and discussion was tabled and proposal will be reworded and brought back to the Board.

Recommendations for Board Action: None

Budget Needs: None at this time. Employer will be providing travel funds for my attendance

Suggestions for the Future: None at this time

Current Committee Members: N/A

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