



**WSWS Officer and Committee Report
February 2023**

Office or Committee Name: WSSA Representative

Officer or Chairperson Name: Alan Helm

Other Committee Members:

Date of Preparation (include year): February 25, 2023

Activities during the year:

Attended WSSA annual meeting January 30 – March 2, 2023, in Washington D.C.

There were 555 total registrations for the meeting 54 of which were federal employees and 150 graduate students.

There were 5 symposia.

The graduate students held a luncheon with the topic of managing mental wellbeing and balancing school and life. There were 75 attendees and the general consensus was this was an extremely worthwhile session.

The annual weed contest will be held in Union City, TN July 25-27.

There was a good discussion on declining revenue and publications in the society. Many are choosing to publish elsewhere due to cost. Only 19% of WSWS members are members of WSSA.

The Herbicide Handbook will be delayed for approximately another year. This one may be strictly online with a subscription.

By far the most talked about issue was how ESA will affect pesticide use.

Recommendations for Board Action:

Budget Needs:

Name of Person Preparing This Report:

Date of Report: