Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting Western Society of Weed Science Boise, Idaho March 19, 1979

The meeting was called to order by Richard Comes at 7:15 p.m. Executive Committee members present:

R. Comes

J. McKinley

J. Hill

L. Burrill

R. Zimdahl

R. Norris

L. Jordan

G. Lee

Minutes of previous meeting (March 13, 1978) approved as distributed on motion by L. Jordan, Seconded by J. McKinley.

Report on program for 1979 presented by L. Burrill.

Report from Public Relations Committee presented by B. Bohmont. Report attached as Item 1. R. Comes expressed the Board's appreciation for a job well done. Report accepted.

The Local Arrangements Committee report was presented by G. Lee
Graduate student rooms will cost the society about \$300 total.
Students receive a free luncheon and registration. All rooms are \$35/night for a single and all 210 reserved rooms have been taken. Report accepted.

Nominations Committee report presented by W. Anliker for G. Lee and ${\sf E.}$ Schweizer.

A slate of qualified candidates was selected and submitted to the membership for a vote. A ballot deadline of December 20 was extended to Jan. 1 due to holiday mail problems. One hundred fifty members voted before the deadline and there were only three late ballots.

All match-ups were good as indicated by relatively close votes. The number of votes separating the candidates ranged from $1\ \text{to}\ 44$.

President-Elect

J. Warren
J. McKinley

Secretary

A. Ogg A. Gale

Chm.-Elect Res. Sect.

P. Olson Williams

Chm.-Elect Ed. & Reg. Sec.

Ross G. Hittle

WSSA Rep.

H. Alley C. Elmore

There was some discussion of the practice of running two industrial representatives as opposed to two University people or one of each. No decision. Report accepted.

Report of Constitution and By-Laws Committee presented by W. Anliker. Report attached as Item 2.

The rationale for election of the CAST representative was presented. Primary reasons were:

- 1. Better chance for election of good representatives
- $\,$ 2. CAST could become as important to WSWS as WSSA is now Report accepted.

Report of Placement Committee presented by D. Colbert.

I met with the WSSA Placement Committee Chairman Dr. Thomas R. Harger at the meeting in San Francisco in February 1979. Other people in attendance were placement committee chairmen from the NEWSS, NCWCC, and SWSS. We discussed possible changes in the placement forms so all societies would have the same basic forms. It was agreed to have two forms: Positions Available and Positions Desired. These forms will be sent to the Presidents of the regional societies in the near future.

Report on Honorary Members and Fellows Committee presented by J. Hill for C. Elmore.

The committee evaluated nine candidates for Fellows and one candidate for Honorary member. The committee nominated Dr. Gary A. Lee, University of Idaho and Louis A. Jensen, Utah State University as Fellows. Because of the limited regional contributions of the Honorary member nominee he was not recommended.

The committee requested discussion and clarification on two items.

- 1. An evaluation procedure should be instituted to give some uniformity in evaluating candidates. This procedure if adopted would give committee persons a reference point.
- 2. Some discussion should occur to decide if we have persons throughout the west that contribute to our society? If not, should we have honorary members? Should we think of having honorary members with local contributions i.e. Pacific Northwest, Intermountain, Arizona, California, etc. and try to honor these people when meetings are held in their vicinity?

These comments and/or guidelines should be given to the committee for selection of fellows and honorary members in 1980.

A format for selection of fellows was presented by J. Hill for the committee consisting of L. Jordan, C. Elmore and W. Anliker. R. Comes asked for study of proposed procedure by new Executive Committee members with comments to L. Burrill for transmittal to committee.

Procedure attached as Item 3. Moved by G. Lee, Seconded by J. Hill that 1979-80 executive committee members review proposed procedure for selection of fellows and send their comments to L. Burrill within 30 days. Carried unanimously.

Local arrangements committee report for 1981 presented by R. Comes for C. Elmore.

Meeting will be March 17, 18, 19 at a Hilton Hotel in San Diego, California.

Local arrangements committee report for 1980 presented by L. Jensen.

The 1980 meeting is March 18, 19 & 20 in Salt Lake City. Reservations have been made at Hotel Utah, in the heart of downtown Salt Lake. There is adequate space and excellent meeting rooms for all functions. When society officers inform us of the number and size of meeting rooms needed for each period, they will identified and scheduled. A block of guest rooms will be held for individuals to make their own reservations.

Visual aid equipment, microphones, etc. will be provided according to the request of program chairman. We will work closely with association officers in order to satisfy all your needs and desires. We are open for your suggestions at all times.

The local arrangements committee consists of Ray Downs, Ralph Horne, Wallace Sjoblom, Ray Burtenshaw, Harold Lindsay, Blaine Jones, Paul Daniels, Tom Reeve, Jim Bushnell and Rick Chase, with Louis A. Jensen as Chairman.

It was suggested that $250\ \mathrm{to}\ 260\ \mathrm{rooms}$ be reserved for the $1980\ \mathrm{meeting}$.

Site selection committee report, presented by C. Prochnow for W. Gould and P. Heikes.

The Site Selection Committee proposes that Phoenix, Arizona be considered for the 1982 WSWS meeting. The committee felt it necessary to also choose a meeting place since Phoenix is a busy convention city. We have a tentative booking with Del Webb's Townhouse for March 15-20, with March 15

being the arrival date, and the meetings convening March 16-18, 1982.

It is becoming more and more difficult to find adequate facilities for this type of meeting with only a three-year future plan. The Executive Committee should consider at least a four-year future site selection. This would certainly make the selection of city and hotel much simpler.

Moved by G. Lee and Seconded by J. McKinley that Del Webb Townhouse, Phoenix, Arizona, be designated as the site for the 1982 meeting. Carried unanimously.

Moved by G. Lee and Seconded by L. Jordan that L. Burrill as President direct the new site selection committee to select sites for 1983 and 1984. Carried unanimously.

Report of Resolutions Committee presented by D. Shaner. Three resolutions presented:

- 1. concerning research by National Cancer Institute
- 2. concerning banning of herbicides
- 3. management of WSWS meeting

Specific resolutions attached as item 4.

Suggested that resolutions also be sent to appropriate legislative committees in each western state. Report accepted.

Report of WSSA representative presented by G. Lee.

The 1979 meeting of the Weed Science Society of America (WSSA) was held February 6-8, 1979 at the St. Francis Hotel, San Francisco, CA. There were approximately 930 members in attendance which was a substantial increase in participation compared to the 1978 meetings.

The Board of Directors of WSSA met with incumbent President P. W. Santlemann on February 6. A final Board meeting was held with the new President J. R. Hay on February 8 at which time the new Board members assumed their duties.

New Officers and Board Members of WSSA are:
President - J. R. Hay
President-elect - W. D. Carpenter
Vice President - D. E. Davis
Secretary - J. D. Nalewaja
Treasurer - G. H. Bayer
Member-at-large - J. D. Riggleman
Past President - P. W. Santlemann
SWSS Representative - H. R. Hurst

NEWSS Representative - Dean Linscott NCWCC Representative - R. N. Anderson WSWS Representative - H. P. Alley CWC Representative - W. J. Saidak

The Society is enjoying a steady financial growth with a present net worth of 305,712.15 compared to 289,223,76 at the close of last year. WSSA now has 286,084.36 on deposit as investments for emergency funds for future needs. Because of WSSA's financial status, dues will remain at \$15.00 for at least one more year. WSSA will provide \$3000 to the International Weed Science Society to help publish Proceeding of the 1980 Rome, Italy meetings.

WEEDS TODAY will be financially supported by WSSA so that the popular publication can continue to serve an important function of informing the public about weed science. Ellery Knake has taken the responsibility of publishing the magazine and plans 4 issues in 1979. WSSA will supply up to \$3,000 per issue in addition to advertising sales to assure continuation.

A fourth edition of the HERBICIDE HANDBOOK has been long awaited and should be available my mid-May should no unforeseen publishing problems arise. The book will sell for \$7.50. The WSSA bulletin on weed seedling identification will be published under a grant from EPA and each state will receive 1000 copies.

There were 150 manuscripts appearing in Volume 26 of Weed Science with 731 pages published. The rejection rate for submitted papers was 17% for 1978.

The Western Society of Weed Science can be proud of its many mantionally distinguished members. Dr. H. P. Alley and Dr. K. C. Hamilton received WSSA's highest honor, being elected Fellow members. Other WSSA members so honored were R. E. Frans, University of Arkansas; T. J. Sheets, North Carolina State University and A. F. Wiese, Texas Agriculture Experiment Station. Dr. D. E. Bayer received the Outstanding Teaching Award and P. G. Bartels and C. W. Watson received the Outstanding Publication Award. Other WSSA members were G. R. Miller, Outstanding Extension Award; O. C. Burnside, Outstanding Research Award; and Paul Boldt (Michigan State University) and Joe Street (Auburn), Outstanding Graduate Award.

The Weed Science Society of America will meet at the Sheraton Centre, Toronto, Canada on February 5-8, 1980.

Report accepted.

Report of CAST representative presented by L. Jordan.

The Council for Agricultural Science and Technology is a consortium of food and agricultural scientific societies established to call on the nation's best qualified scientists to summarize the available scientific information on critical national issues in food and agriculture as a resource for decision-makers, the news media, and the public. The consortium includes 26 scientific societies

representing fields ranging from veterinary toxicology to weed science to food science.

CAST concerns itself with fundamental food and agricultural problems confronting society, including many facets of agricultural production, resource management, environmental control, energy, waste disposal, water, food processing, human health, and nutrition.

The CAST budget for its 1978-1979 Fiscal Year is \$265,000 covered by income from membership fees, grants, and contributions. Funds are used for travel and subsistence of scientists at Board and Task Force meetings, printing, mailing, and administrative expense.

The policies and activities of CAST are under the control of a Board of Directors representing the 26 scientific society members. Each society pays an annual fee of up to \$5,000 based on its membership. Individual members (over 3,000) pay \$10 per year. This is the only membership classification, other than the societies, to have representation on the Board of Directors. Subscriber members are 120 libraries and other information centers which pay \$25 per year. Sustaining members, primarily trade association groups, pay annual fees of \$50 or \$100 each. Supporting members, of which there are 124 corporations and organizations, pay annual fees ranging from \$200 to \$5,000 based on their sales of agricultural products or of products to agriculture. There are two associate society members representing nonprofit agricultural-related societies that do not qualify for regular society members. They pay \$50 per year. All membership fees will be increased by 20 percent.

The main activity of CAST is the production of concensus reports on agricultural issues by prominent scientists organized as multi-disciplinary task forces. Objectivity of CAST's task force reports is protected by important safeguards. No single source of financial support is as much as two percent of the budget. No work has been done on a contract basis. Task force members are repaid for official travel expenses on request but receive no honorarium. All task force expenses are paid from a general fund made up of all membership fees. No industry scientists are included on task forces when conflict of interest might be charged. Task forces meet independently to prepare their reports. No industry-related member has the privilege of placing a representative on the Board of Directors. Task force members are chosen who have shown professional integrity and devotion to public service.

Report accepted.

Report on Research Progress Report presented by R. Norris, Chairman of Research Section.

Research Progress Report: All mailings for call for papers, etc., went out on time. An extra mailing was needed due to omission of paper sample sheets. The editorial rules had to be rewritten to reflect the change to camera-ready copy. These

will need further revision, especially how to format pages to give less waste space, type of paper, mechanisms of reviewing and rejection, etc. A list of editorial problems encountered in the 1979 report is attached.

The 1979 Research Progress Report is the largest ever published, in terms of number of reports and in terms of number of pages.

Reports: 148 received; 137 published and 11 rejected Pages: 261 total (several partial blank pages).

The number of pages could be reduced somewhat by better formatting. The deadlines for the timing of the various stages proved to be barely adequate. The date for the Project Chairmen to send the compiled reports to the Research Section Chairman should be moved one week earlier; there was only 10 days in 1979 between receiving reports by the Research Chairman and the need to get the completed copy to the print shop. This was minimal.

The move to camera-ready copy would permit WSWS to publish data presented as graphs in the Research Progress Report. Half-tones would not be feasible. I would therefore propose that, if the executive committee agrees, the WSWS should in the future allow publication of line graphs or tabulated data up to a maximum of 2 pages. This will provide greater flexibility and will not alter the cost of production.

Research Project Program - 1979 meeting: Programs have been planned for all Research Projects. Emphasis has been placed on informality and discussion with a minimum of structured presentations. A meeting is planned for Tuesday (3-20) at 5:30 p.m. with all current Project Chairman; program problems, duties, and any other responsibilities will be clarified.

1980 Research Progress Report: A meeting has been set up for current Project Chairman-elect so that editorial rules can be discussed with them by myself and Bob Callihan. Report Accepted.

J. L. Anderson presented his report as Treasurer-Business Manager.

Total Income for 1978-1979 \$10,368.07

Total Expenses for 1978-1979 9,825.83

Financial Statement, March 1, 1978 - March 10, 1979 Income

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	Registration, Reno Meeting (362)	5,080.00	
	Dues, members not attending		
	Reno meeting (59)	118.00	
	Luncheon tickets for wives	90.00	
	1978 Research Progress Report sales	2,013.56	
	1978 Proceedings sales	2,724.64	
	Sale of old publications	184.85	
	Payment of past due accounts	20.00	
	Advance order payments	64.50	
	Interest on savings	72.52	

Total fiscal year income Assets, March 1, 1978	10,368.07 9,401.45 \$19,769.52		
Expenditures			
1978 Annual meeting incidental			
expenses	43.24		
Luncheon, 1978 annual meeting	2,052.60		
Graduate Student housing, Reno	554.00		
Invited speaker expenses, Reno	428.62		
1978 Research Progress Report	1,976.75		
1978 Proceedings	2,037.27		
Dues, CAST	400.00		
Business Manager honorarium	500.00		
Postage	678.99		
Office Supplies	284.31		
Refunds	13.00		
Membership mailings printing costs	134.68		
1979 annual meeting incidental			
expenses	322.37		
1979 invited speaker expenses	400.00		
Total expenditures	\$9,825.83		
Assets			
Savings certificates	7,000.00		
Checking account balance	2,893.69		
Cash on hand	50.00		
	\$9,943.69		

Report accepted.

Finance committee report presented by K. Dunster. The committee has not had an opportunity to meet and a full report was not presented.

Motion by L. Jordan that registration fee for 1980 meeting be raised to \$25, Seconded by J. McKinley.

Motion to table by R. Zimdahl, Seconded by R. Norris, Carried.

Moved by J. Hill, Seconded by J. McKinley that dues for those who do not attend meeting but want to be members be raised to \$5. Carried.

Report on survey of regional society award policies presented by R. Zimdahl. Report attached as Item #5. The report was discussed and it was moved by L. Jordan, Seconded by J. McKinley that WSWS express its appreciation to BASF through their representative John Orr for their generous offer and that the society decline the offer of a \$500 cash award at this time. Carried.

R. Comes presented a report on a history of WSWS prepared by A.S. Crafts.

Dr. A. S. Crafts, Professor Emeritus at the University of California, has prepared a history of the Western Weed Control Conference that encompasses the years 1936-1954. The history contains 185 pages (25 pages single spaced and 160 pages double spaced).

Dr. Crafts submitted two chapters to WSSA to determine if WSSA would be interested in publishing the history. WSSA discouraged this approach and suggested that Dr. Crafts place a copy in the WSSA archives. Dr. Crafts has done this, and I have a copy which I plan to make a permanent part of the presidential files of WSWS.

Dr. Crafts inquired about the willingness of WSWS to publish this history. I believe publication of a condensed version of the manuscript would be an asset to the Society and Dr. Crafts. The manuscript is much too long and contains more detail than I believe necessary to convey the history of our Society during this 18-year period. I have conversed with Dr. Crafts about this, and he is agreeable to the publication of a condensed version.

LaMar Anderson indicated that he did not believe it would be a financial burden on the Society to publish a 35-to 45-page manuscript (single spaced) as a part of our Proceedings.

If the Executive Committee is agreeable, I suggest we solicit some individuals to review the manuscript and help Dr. Crafts revise and condense the history for publication by WSWS.

Moved by R. Zimdahl, Seconded by G. Lee that the Society publish up to 40 pages single-spaced as a special supplement (The History of WSWS by A.S. Crafts) to the Proceedings. Carried.

Moved by R. Zimdahl, Seconded by J. McKinley that the price of the proceedings be increased to cover the additional cost of publishing the history to be prepared by A.S. Crafts. Carried.

Report on meeting of officers of regional weed science societies at San Francisco was presented by R. Comes.

About 12 members of the four regional weed science societies met during the WSSA meeting in San Francisco. WSSA members present were Comes, Burrill, and Anderson.

Most of the discussion concerned publications by the various regional societies. The desirability of printing on the edge of the binding of Proceedings and Progress Reports was discussed. The SWSS and NCWCC have done this previously, and the NEWSS did it for the first time this year. It is my understanding that our publications will follow this pattern this year. Also, many of those present favored having an outline or drawing of the states encompassed by each region on the cover of regional publications. This immediately tells the reader which geographical area in the United States is covered in the contents. Apparently this is especially helpful to foreign subscribers. The NEWSS Society adopted their regional "map" as their logo.

The exchange of publications between societies was discussed and it was decided to exchange single copies of regional publications, rather than four copies as has been done in the past. The desirability of displaying copies of all regional society publications at each of the regional meetings was also discussed. No definite action was taken. The SWSS had such a display this year.

The NEWSS is considering the publication of a refereed journal of applied weed science if WSSA does not initiate such a journal.

Report accepted.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. Zimdahl

Secretary