

MINUTES OF BUSINESS MEETING
WESTERN SOCIETY OF WEED SCIENCE
FRESNO, CA MARCH 10, 1988

The Business Meeting for the 41st Meeting of the Western Society of Weed Science was held at the Centre Plaza Holiday Inn in Fresno, CA on March 10, 1988. President Mitich called the meeting to order at 7:30 am with introductory comments including thanks to Elanco for sponsoring the Business Meeting Breakfast, to Mobay for sponsoring the Graduate Student Breakfast and to Sandoz for providing travel expenses to Dr. Don Wyse to participate as a General Session speaker.

1. SPOUSE'S PROGRAM. Mrs. R. Callahan asked for an opportunity to address the WSWS Business Meeting. Speaking for the spouses who participated in the Spouse's Program, a thank you was extended to the membership of the WSWS for providing support and programs for the spouses over the years.

2. READING OF MINUTES. The minutes of the Summer Executive Meeting were read and approved.

3. FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT, Dave Cudney and Lamar Anderson.

Cudney: The Research Progress Reports and other costs have been increasing causing the WSWS to operate at a loss. The Committee has recommended that the Executive Committee explore ways to increase revenues.

Anderson: Income in 1987 was \$18,310 with expenses of \$19,160 indicating a net loss of \$850 which was offset by interest on checking and savings accounts. WSWS currently has about \$48,200 in savings which is equal to about 2 1/2 years of Operating Expenses but the trend over the past 2 years of not meeting expenses is dangerous. Registration in 1988 of 309 is down 50 from 1987 resulting in a decrease in revenues of about \$1200 from last year. Efforts are being made to contain costs. One example is keeping numbers of Research Progress Reports close to needs. Also thanks should be extended to Industry for added support in sponsoring coffee breaks.

4. REPORT ON 1989 HAWAII MEETING, Ken Dunster. Decision was made to proceed with the 1989 plans for the Hawaii Meeting and this report is being made to update the membership on that status of those plans. It had been assumed that the Hawaii location would be as economical as a U.S. mainland location but that will not be the case. The WSWS has a contract with the Ala Moana Hotel for the Meeting with room costs of \$90/day single or double and \$100/day triple.

Meeting room costs could be substantial at approximately \$4000; however if there is a Food Service and Catering demand by the WSWS of about \$8000, the hotel will waive the Meeting room costs. Therefore, in 1989, it is essential that we use all the conference facilities in order to help offset the catering cost

- First Place: P. Dotray, WSU, Root Development and Its Relationship to Shoot Growth in Jointed Goatgrass.
- Second Place: C. Reyes, CSU, Mathematical Description of Trifluralin Degradation in Soil.
- Third Place: T. Fritz, WSU, Germination Response of Galium sp. to Temperature, Nitrate, Gibberillic Acid and Soil Matrix Potential.
- (Two-way tie) B. Ververde, OSU, Growth and Competitive Ability of Dinitroaniline-Herbicide Resistant and Susceptible Goosegrass (*Eleusine indica*) Biotypes.

10. WSSA REPRESENTATIVE, Peter Fay. WSSA had losses due to publications of \$26,000 in 1987 and projected 1988 losses of \$50,000. WSSA encourages WSWS members to purchase WSSA publications. The 1989 WSSA Meeting will be increased in length by 1/2 to 1 day to reduce the number of concurrent sessions and to allow for more Symposia. Program in 1989 will include a workshop for preparing Grant Proposals. Historically, Weed Science proposals are not competitive and are not generating sufficient dollars.

11. CAST REPRESENTATIVE, Lowell Jordan. CAST now has 28 member Societies. Income has doubled but expenses are high and CAST has been running a deficit the past two years. Steps to reduce expenses are being taken. Mailing of the Food and Ag Science Magazine (160,000 copies times 3 issues per year) is the biggest budget expense. However, the free mailings have generated only about 1,600 paid subscriptions (or about a 70% non-renewal rate). The Science Magazine Committee has been directed to make proposals for a new vehicle for reaching young people.

The first priority of CAST are the Task Force Reports. CAST retains high credibility in Washington, D.C. due to the Reports and the CAST Representatives.

12. MEMBER-AT-LARGE, Rod Lym. Reported on cost savings to WSWS by use of computer-generated signs. Acknowledged support of Mobay in providing a complimentary Graduate Student Breakfast. Thirty-one students attended.

13. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE, George Beck. Distributed copies of three proposed Resolutions to membership (See attached).

- #1 - Support of FAO Weed Specialist position - Passed.
- #2 - Support for Sutherland Hostage release - Passed.
- #3 - Appreciation for Local Arrangements - Passed.

14. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE, Ken Dunster. New officers elected include:

President-elect	: Sheldon Blank
Secretary	: Peter Fay
Research Chair-elect	: Jodie Holt
Educ/Regul Chair-elect	: Celestine Lacey

EDUCATION AND REGULATORY SECTION
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CHAIRMAN: Sheldon Blank
CHAIRMAN-ELECT: Paul Ogg

A Groundwater Symposium was held with the following participants:

Dr. D. Mackay,
UCLA School of Public Health: A Public Perspective

Mr. G. Kotas,
EPA, Washington, DC : The EPA Perspective

Dr. G. Barnett,
Monsanto Co., St. Louis, Mo: An Industry Perspective

After each speaker addressed their aspect of the topic with opening remarks, a panel discussion was held with questions from the audience.

The section concluded with a paper and discussion on 2,4-D exposure and toxicity by Wendell Mullison.

Chairman for 1989: Paul Ogg
Chairman-elect : Celestine Lacey