

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING
WESTERN SOCIETY OF WEED SCIENCE
47TH ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
COUER d'ALENE RESORT, COUER d'ALENE, IDAHO
MARCH 17, 1994

The meeting was called to order by President Doug Ryerson at 7:35 a.m. Minutes of the 1993 business meeting were approved. M/S/C

Local Arrangements Committee. John Orr

- a. Both the facilities and support from hotel personnel were excellent.

Program Committee. Tom Whitson

- a. Breakdown of papers:
 - 69 Volunteered papers, including 17 graduate student presentations
 - 21 Posters
 - 4 Invited presentations
- b. The facilities were excellent
- c. Thanks to Miles, Inc. and Ciba Plant Protection for sponsoring the graduate student breakfasts; Zeneca Ag Products for sponsoring the spouses breakfast; DowElanco for sponsoring the business meeting breakfast; and Sandoz Agro for sponsoring all breaks during the meeting.

Research Section Report. Bill Dyer

- a. Papers presented in each section were as follows:

Research Section 1: Weeds of Range and Forest	13
Research Section 2: Weeds of Horticultural Crops	4
Research Section 3: Weeds of Agronomic Crops	18
Research Section 4: Extension, Education and Regulatory	6
Research Section 5: Weeds of Aquatic, Industrial, and Non-Crop Areas	0
Research Section 6: Basic Sciences: Ecology, Biology, Physiology, Genetics, and Chemistry	8
Research Section 7: Alternative Methods of Weed Control	3
- b. Steve Miller has been appointed as Editor, WSWs Research Progress Reports.

Extension, Education and Regulatory Report. Vanelle Carrithers

- a. Six papers were presented in this section.

Finance Committee Report. Larry Jeffery

- a. Wanda Graves was called home for a funeral and not able to present the Business Manager/Treasurer Report; however the records of the Business Manager were examined and found to be in good order.
- b. The WSWs is in strong financial shape with 2.5 years operating budget in the bank.

Past President's Report. Steve Miller

- a. Developed guidelines for dedicating the WSWs Proceedings, which were approved at the summer Executive Committee

- meeting.
- b. Promoted sales of the WSWS History book to libraries in the Western U.S. and to members of the NCWSS.
 - c. Developed new guidelines for publication of the WSWS Research Progress Report, which resulted in substantial reduction of printing costs.

Member-at-Large. Steve Dewey

- a. Investigated possible changes in program format for WSWS meetings. It was decided at the summer Executive Committee meeting that the Program Chair should make decisions on program format.

CAST Report. Jack Evans

- a. CAST moved to permanent headquarters in Ames, IA.
- b. CAST will publish more issue papers, which are short, concise, scientific reports on key national issues in food, agriculture, and the environment. Target audiences include policy makers, news media, and the public.
- c. WSWS members are encouraged to become individual members of CAST.

WSSA Representative. Rod Lym

- a. WSSA met in St. Louis, MO on February 7 to 10, 1994.
- b. WSWS is well-represented on the WSSA Board of Directors:
Alex Ogg - President
Charlotte Eberlein - Secretary
Jodie Holt - Member-at-Large
Pete Fay - Member-at-Large
- c. Weed Science has its own NRICGP panel this year; 100 good quality proposals will need to be submitted to the Competitive Grants program this fall in order to maintain a separate Weed Science panel.
- d. The Weed Science Symposium in Washington, D.C. was very successful; members are urged to encourage contact between congressional aides and grower groups supporting the need for increased funding of weed science.

Resolutions Committee. Carol Mallory-Smith

- a. Three resolutions were presented to the membership:
 - 1. "WHEREAS; The 1994 program presented a timely and interesting message, and

WHEREAS; The meetings were run smoothly and efficiently, and

WHEREAS; The facilities were excellent and the staff helpful and courteous,

Be it resolved that the Western Society of Weed Science expresses its appreciation the 1994 WSWS Program Committee, to John Orr and the Local Arrangements Committee, and to the management and staff of the Couer

d'Alene Resort." Motion was made to accept the resolution. M/S/C

2. "WHEREAS; Weed resistance to herbicides is being documented with increasing regularity, and
- WHEREAS; The reversal of herbicide resistance occurs slowly, if at all, and
- WHEREAS; Herbicides are an important weed management tool for crop production,

Be it therefore resolved that the Western Society of Weed Science does hereby encourage public and open acknowledgment of the existence of and potential for herbicide resistance by all concerned parties as part of good product stewardship.

Be it further resolved that all concerned parties should adopt and promote integrated programs of weed management to prevent or delay selection for herbicide resistance." Motion was made to accept the resolution. M/S/C

3. "WHEREAS; Jointed goatgrass continues to spread and to reduce winter wheat production in the United States, and
- WHEREAS; Jointed goatgrass reduces domestic and export value of U.S. wheat, and
- WHEREAS; There currently are no effective measures to selectively control jointed goatgrass in winter wheat,

Be it therefore resolved that the Western Society of Weed Science acknowledges jointed goatgrass as a major weed of national significance that merits special attention.

Be it further resolved that the Western Society of Weed Science requests that national funding be made available for research, technology transfer, and extension projects to reduce the spread and impact of jointed goatgrass on winter wheat production."

Motion was made to accept the resolution. M/S/C

Nominations Committee. Jim Jessen

- a. New officers for WSWS are:
 - President-Elect - Gus Foster
 - Secretary - Don Morishita
 - Research Section Chair-Elect - Jill Schroeder
 - Education Section Chair-Elect - Kai Umeda

Fellows and Honorary Members Committee. Donn Thill

- a. 1994 Fellows:
Gus Foster
Sheldon Blank
- b. 1994 Honorary Member:
Will Carpenter
- c. Nominations for Fellows and Honorary Members are due May 1, 1994.

Public Relations Committee. Jack Schlesselman

- a. Various agricultural publications and organizations were notified of the 47th meeting of the WSWS.
- b. Photographs will be taken of the 1994-95 WSWS Officers and Executive Committee members, contest winners, and award recipients.
- c. Sign-up sheets for continuing education credit for Pest Control Advisors/Ag Consultants were made available during the meeting.

Site Selection Committee. Celestine Lacey

- a. The possibility of meeting in Hawaii in 1998 was discussed. Members are encouraged to express their opinions on the Hawaii site to Celestine Lacey or other members of the Site Selection Committee.

Awards Committee. Kenneth Dunster

- a. 1994 Outstanding Weed Scientist:
Larry Burrill - Public Sector

Student Paper Judging Committee. Joan Lish

- a. Seventeen students participated in the oral paper contest, and four participated in the poster contest.
- b. 1994 WSWS Student Paper Contest Winners:
Division 1
1st Place - Wade Malchow, Montana State University
2nd Place - Dean Riechers, Washington State University
Division 2
1st Place - Corey Colliver, Montana State University
2nd Place - Anthony Kern, Montana State University
- c. 1994 WSWS Student Poster Contest Winner
1st Place - Kris Johnson, University of Wyoming
- d. New guidelines were developed for the committee and approved at the February 14, 1994 Executive Committee meeting.
- e. The following changes to the Constitution and Bylaws were proposed:

CONSTITUTION Article VII, Section 13 to change as follows:

The Student Paper Judging Committee shall consist of a Chairperson and ~~eight~~ additional members. Terms of office of this committee shall be three years, established to expire ~~so that six members continue over each year.~~ The Chairperson shall be elected annually by the committee.

The Student Paper Judging Committee shall consist of a Chairperson and two additional members. Terms of office of this committee shall be three years, established to expire alternately so that at least two members continue over each year. The member serving his/her second year of the term shall serve as Chairperson.

BYLAW Article VII, Section 12 to change as follows:

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Motion was made to accept the changes to the Constitution and Bylaws. M/S/C

Necrology Committee. Gil Cook

- a. Deaths during the past year: Robert G. Morrison; Jimmy Dukes; and Jackie Burrill, wife of Larry Burrill.

Poster Committee. David Gealy

- a. Twenty-one abstracts were submitted for presentation as posters at the 1994 WSWS meeting.

Sustaining Membership Committee. Jeff Tichota

- a. Sustaining Membership was increased from 18 companies in 1993 to 21 companies in 1994. Total dollars contributed by sustaining members were \$7,000.

Publications Committee. Tom Whitson

- a. 10,000 copies of *Weeds of the West* were reprinted in September. There are 3,050 copies of that printing left.
- b. The current *Weeds of the West* account balance is \$58,237.
- c. The committee is considering development of a weed seed and seedling identification book, and a poster on plants that are allergenic.

Legislative (Ad Hoc) Committee. George Beck

- a. Several environmental groups have been active in helping to finalize and support the amended Federal Noxious Weed Act of 1974.
- b. INWAC members were invited to participate in the U.S. Forest Service Noxious Weed Management Review in Regions 2 and 6 last summer and also took part in the National Grazing Lands

Forum held in Washington, D.C. in December, 1993.

Editorial (Ad Hoc) Committee. Rod Lym, Steve Miller

- a. The Editorial Committee was officially dissolved at the summer Executive Committee meeting and Rod Lym and Steve Miller were added to the Publications Committee.
- b. Volume 46 of the WSWS Proceedings contained 100 papers and was 180 pages long. The volume sold out and generated \$1425 over costs.
- c. It was agreed to submit abstracts and disks to the Proceedings editor in early March (date to be announced) rather than at the WSWS meeting.
- d. The 1994 WSWS Research Progress Report contained 121 reports and was 206 pages long. Using a photoreduction process allowed the report size to be reduced by one-half, which saved about \$1600 in printing costs.

Weed Management Short Course (Ad Hoc) Committee. Barbara Mullin

- a. Steve Dewey presented the report. The committee was created to evaluate the need for weed management short courses and develop courses as needed. The introductory course has been on-going for several years. Federal agencies have not expressed interest in supporting an intermediate course. Since the committee has completed its assigned tasks, the committee recommends that it be dissolved.

Herbicide Resistant Weeds (Ad Hoc) Committee. Monte Anderson

- a. The educational video on herbicide resistant weeds is nearly complete. Many thanks to Chris Boerboom and his sub-committee for their efforts in this regard.
- b. The informal summer workshop on herbicide resistant weeds will be held July 21 to 23 near Sandpoint, ID. Contact Pat Fuerst at Washington State University for further information.

Student Education Enhancement (Ad Hoc) Committee. Paul Ogg

- a. Five students participated in the program in 1992; no students participated in 1993.
- b. Dean Riechers, Washington State University and Ron Swearingen, University of Wyoming reported on their experiences with 1992 Student Education Enhancement Program. Both individuals had high praise for the program and the opportunities it gave them to broaden their perspectives of weed science.

New Business

- a. The membership was reminded of the need to submit 100 good quality proposals to the NRICG Program in order to maintain a Weed Science panel.
- b. WSWS will host a Retiree Recognition at next year's meeting.
- c. Incoming President Tom Whitson presented a plaque of appreciation to Doug Ryerson for his year of fine service as President of the Western Society of Weed Science.

The meeting was adjourned by President Tom Whitson at 9:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Charlotte Eberlein, Secretary
Western Society of Weed Science