



**WSWS Officer and Committee Report  
2017 Couer D'Alene, ID  
Secretary – Minutes from Business Meeting, 16March17, Thursday**

**Meeting called to order at 07:10 am, 16 March 2017**

**Changes to Agenda**

- Scott Nissen to cover multiple reports, given absences
- Phil to cover multiple reports
- Monte to cover multiple reports

**Minutes Approved from Summer Meeting**

**Officer and BOD Reports**

**Business Mgr/Finance Report - Banks**

- Thanks to several folks
- For BM needs contact Tara Steinke from here on out
  - (website will be updated)
- 2017 WSWS Annual Meeting Attendance
  - 330 combined attendees
  - 90 from WAPMS, 240 WSWS
- Weeds of the West copies still in stock, but going fast
- Scott Nissen moved to accept treasures report (provided at meeting and online)
  - Sandra McDonald 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Vote – motion passed

**Presidents Report - Howatt**

- 2020 Meeting in HI potentially
- Conducted straw poll on joint meeting with WSSA
  - ¾ of members present would attend if it was in HI
  - ½ of members present would attend if in another city
  - Timeframe of meeting would be need to be negotiated

- Last WSSA joint meeting had 500+ attendees
- At least two members would need it to be in March
- WSSA constitution may prohibit move
- Discussion will continue in board meeting following conference

### **Past Presidents Report – Yenish**

- Bus. Mgr. search and hiring report
  - Eric Gustafson is the WSSA BM
  - Tara Steinke is the regional society BM

### **President-Elect – Monte Anderson**

- Working with WAPMS went really well
- 175 titles
- 6 withdrawals
- 40 students for contests
- Tues and Wed, we had 4 concurrent sessions
- Committees still have open slots, please volunteer
- Need symposia ideas for 2018 meeting and beyond – Submit online ASAP

### **Proceedings Update – For McCloskey**

- Need discussion session reports from all sections following meetings
- All abstracts will be in same proceedings

### **Newsletter Report – For Libbey**

- Carl still wants to be on committee and in charge of the newsletter

### **Research Section Chair – Jha**

- 175 total titles
  - 125 papers
  - 50 posters
- Project chairs did a great job, and discussions
- Please submit reports by March 25, 2017

## **Herbicide Resistant Plants – Jha**

- Combine reports from listening sessions and put together in one report
- Great Plains Listening Session – 110 participants producers, consultants, industry, community service, DOT, and gov't
- Needs: Education material, peer pressure, incentive, registration, current farm economy, extended patent protection, more communication, increased research funding applied research, new MOAs

## **Other Committee Reports**

### **Education and Regulatory Chair - Jenks**

- Thanks to folks who hosted symposia this year
- Symposia – Risk Communication – Buhl
- Photography – Norris
- Climate Change – Lenhoff
- Request for suggestions on future symposia
- Dirk Baker will be the incoming Chair

### **CAST Member – Jenks**

- Report not online at this time
- Papers released – two currently
- To Be released – two more
- Also some in pipeline
  - Approximately 4
  - Regulatory hurdles which hinder innovation
- Topics can be submitted online at CAST website
- Encouraged WSWS members to join CAST membership

### **Member-At-Large - Nissen**

- Joint meeting was well attended and received by membership
- May be 2021 before the societies meet together again

- Members were happy to buy raffle tickets

### **Member-At-Large – Hicks**

- Check on joint meeting with NAISMA
  - 2021 would be the earliest
- Aquatics joint meeting went well
- Other ideas for joint meetings, please let us know

### **WSSA Representative Report – Schraer**

- Bus. Mgr. discussions with IMI
- Allen to Cambridge Univ. change almost complete
- WSSA seeking a newsletter editor
- EPA replacement for Barrett
- Internship ideas with Lee Van Wychen
- WSSA registration and membership declining
- Concern over decline in sustaining members following company mergers
- Meeting Venues
  - 2018 – Washington, D.C.
  - 2019 – New Orleans, LA
  - 2020 – proposed RFPs to states (HI could be in play)

### **Student Liaison – Breanne Tidemann**

- Student night out went great and was well attended
- Silent auction update
  - \$2400 raised in bids only
  - Thanks for support
  - Thanks to Monte A. for item transport
- Recommends and requests Elena Sanchez award
- Caio B. will handle nominations
- Chair Elect – Clint Bayerman – UNL

### **Constitution and Operating Guide – Miller**

- Changes to the guide need to be sent to Tim soon for any operating guide updates

- Work next month to make changes

### **Progress Report – Rauch**

- 41 submissions down from last year
- Due the 1<sup>st</sup> week of January, 2018
- Encouraged membership to submit even small datasets

### **Local Arrangements – Cook**

- Hotel staff has been great
- Gustavo will have easels and Boards
- Thanks to all for help

### **Sustaining Members – Alford**

- Currently 18 members
- Please pay if you have not

### **Site Selection – Yenish**

- Anaheim 2018
- Denver 2019
- Hawaii, Portland, Seattle, Couer D’Alene are considerations for 2020
- Janis McFarland suggested a joint meeting with WSSA
- Kauai or Big Island
- Kona on Big island
- Unsure on Kauai

### **Legislative – Leary**

- Report is online
- Maintain contact list of state legislative issues/people
- State legislations are tough to find state related ag bills
- Should coordinate better with Western IPM center
- Pay attention to nationwide level issues – sometimes in conflicts with states

### **Nominations Committee – Eskelson**

- Thanks for commitments from nominees
- This year we will be needing President, Secretary, Research Chair and Education Chair

### **Public Relations - Joan Campbell for Sosnoskie**

- Survey results on efforts
- Encouraged to use social media to get more information out to public
- Twitter, Facebook page
  - Need more social media presence from WSWS members

### **Fellows and Honorary Members - Cobb**

- Need more nominations for these awards, please take the time to suggest folks

### **Awards Committee – Gast, Howatt**

- Rita Beard Endowment discussion
- Name of Outstanding Weed Manager will be renamed to honor Rita Beard
- Ad Hoc committee will manage the endowment
- Awards will be separated between undergraduate and graduate students

### **Necrology – Barroso**

- Dennis Tonks
- Rita Beard
- Dick Nielson
- Amy Peters (Jan 2017)
- Asked for a moment of silence for members who passed in 2016

### **Student Awards – Felix**

- 19 oral presentations and 17 posters in contests
- All competitors stood to be congratulated
- Acknowledged judges for 2017 contests
- Reminder that for contests there is a 250 word limit for abstracts

### **Undergrad Poster Contest**

Grace Ogden – OkSU

### Graduate Poster Contest (multiple sections)

Aquatics, Horticulture, Basic Bio/Ecology

2<sup>nd</sup> Adjesiwior – Uwyo

1<sup>st</sup> Ortiz – CSU

Agronomics

2<sup>nd</sup> Bearman – UNL

1<sup>st</sup> Burke – WSU

### Oral Presentation Contest

Aquatics

1<sup>st</sup> Hang – NCSU

Basic Biology/Ecology

2<sup>nd</sup> Neeta – CSU

1<sup>st</sup> Coburn – Uwyo

Agronomics

2<sup>nd</sup> Hilderbrandt – CSU

1<sup>st</sup> Linn – MSU

Weeds in Hort

1<sup>st</sup> Brunharo – UCD

Weeds in Range and Nat Areas

1<sup>st</sup> Burke – WSU

- Evaluation sheets for all contestants were handed out on site

### **Old Business**

- None

### **New Business**

- Aquatic plants survey reminder

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- WAPMS raffle results

**Passing of the Gavel to Monte Anderson**

**Monte Anderson presented plaque to Kirk Howatt**

**Adjourned at 09:08 am.**