



**WSWS Annual Business Breakfast Minutes - DRAFT  
March 2, 2023 (6:30 AM to 9:15 AM)**

Welcome and Introductions – Joel Felix

Officer Reports:

Secretary – Joe Vassios (approval of minutes)

- No report

Business Manager Report – Eric Gustafson

- 2023 meeting has 245 registrants -- 176 WSWS Regular, 29 WSWS Students, 8 WSWS Retired or Fellow, 32 WAPMS
- 253 current WSWS paid members
- 2024 Meeting will be March 4-7, 2024 at the Grand Hyatt in Denver

Treasurer Report – Phil Banks

- The WSWS is in good financial standing. As of December 31, 2022, total assets were \$424,149.99.

President – Joel Felix

- Report on website <https://wsweedscience.org/wp-content/uploads/WSWS-Board-Report-2023-Regular-President.pdf>

Past President – Sandra McDonald

- Six WSWS retiring members are were honored during the WSWS/WAPMS Opening Reception on February 27, 2023 in Boise, ID. The retirees are: Greg Dahl, Land O'Lakes/Winfield United, Stott Howard, Syngenta, Marie Jasieniuk, University of California – Davis, Paul O. Johnson, South Dakota State University, Kelly Luff, Bayer, Kai Umeda, University of Arizona, and Harvey Yoshida, Corteva

President Elect/Program Chair – Curtis Rainbolt

- The 2023 joint WSWS-WAPMS Annual Meeting program included a total of 150 papers - 2 oral papers in the general session, 7 oral papers in the Water in West symposium, 73 WSWS oral papers, and 20 WAPMS oral papers. Additionally, there are 48 WSWS posters and 1 WAPMS Poster.
- There are no undergraduates in the student contest. 26 students (3 WAPMS) are entered in the graduate student oral paper contest. 16 students are in the graduate student poster contest.

Research Section Chair – Harlene Hattermann-Valenti

- Worked with Project Chairs to develop Discussion Section topics

#### Education and Regulatory – Jane Mangold

- Developed a place-based symposium for the WSWS/WAMPS 2023 conference - “Water in the West: Implications for Weed Management”

#### Member-at-Large Public – Sonia Rios

- No report

#### Member-at-Large Private – Clarke Alder

- Aided Education and Regulatory Chair, Jane Mangold, in assembling a symposium, “Water in the West: Implications for Weed Management.”
- Have reached out to several non-academic organizations throughout the year to promote the annual meeting and the society.
- Secured a sponsorship from Amalgamated Sugar for the 2023 annual meeting.

#### WSSA Representative – Alan Helm

- Report posted at <https://wsweedscience.org/wp-content/uploads/WSWS-Board-Report-2023-Regular-WSSA-Representative.pdf>

#### WSSA Finance Committee Representative – Richard Zollinger

#### CAST Representative – Greg Dahl

- Report posted at <https://wsweedscience.org/wp-content/uploads/WSWS-Board-Report-2023-Regular-CAST-Representative.pdf>

#### Constitution and Operating Procedures Representative – Chad Cummings (report provided by Sandra McDonald)

- Sandra McDonald is the incoming Constitution and Operating Procedures Representative. She asked all past and current committee chairs and members to review their specific section of the Operating Procedures and let her know if any procedural updates were necessary.

#### Student Liaison – Grace Flusche Ogden

- Solicited for and assigned student members to committees – Public Relations, Awards, Herbicide Resistance, and Invasive Species Ad Hoc.
- Announced the Elena Sanchez Memorial Outstanding Student Scholarship and the Rita Beard Endowment Scholarship through social media, newsletter, and email
- Posted title and abstract deadlines on WSWS Student social media and newsletter
- Solicited for Silent Auction prizes
- Collaborated with Ryan Rapp to develop WSWS apparel
- Advertised the WSWS Travel Enrichment Experience Award
- Assisted Vanelle Peterson, Dirk Baker, and Josie Crose in finishing the section of WSWS History “Student Participation History”
- Organized Student Night Out by splitting participants into groups and sending all appropriate information by email to participants

#### Director of Science Policy – Lee VanWychen

- See report -- <https://wsweedscience.org/wp-content/uploads/WSWS-Board-Report-2023-Regular-Science-Policy.pdf>

#### Committee Reports:

##### Publications Committee

##### Proceedings – Carl Libbey

- Compiled the 2022 Proceedings from the Joint Annual Meeting with the WSSA held in Newport Beach, California for delivery to the society and posting to the WSWS website.

##### WSWS Newsletter – Carl Libbey

- Requested and compiled submissions to the newsletter for electronic delivery to the society and posted to the WSWS website following the Newsletter Editor's Operating Guide.

##### Research Progress Reports – Traci Rauch

- The 2023 Research Progress Report is 46 pages. The number of reports submitted was 16 in 2023, 26 in 2022, and 32 in 2021. Project 1 - 6 reports; Project 2 - 0 reports; Project 3 – 10 reports; Project 4 - 0 reports; Project 5 - 0 reports; and Project 6 - 0 reports.
- Reports were submitted from Idaho, Kansas, and Washington.

##### Website – Eric Gustafson

- Website is up and running. Much improved visuals and reporting functions. Relationship with APEX continues to be very beneficial to WSWS.

##### Local Arrangements – George Newberry

- The Boise Center staff were great to work with and meeting went smoothly.

##### Nominations – Brian Schutte

- Election winners were President-elect: Tim Prather; Research Section Chair-elect: Dirk Baker; Education/Regulatory Section Chair-elect with immediate responsibilities: Nevin Lawrence, Education/Regulatory Section Chair-elect: Albert Agjesiwor, and Treasurer: Ryan Rapp.

##### Public Relations – Albert Adjesiwor

- Announced that the video contest was approved by the BoD and will begin in 2024.

##### Fellows and Honorary Members – Ed Peachey – (report presented by Richard Zollinger)

- Two WSWS Fellows were recognized in 2023 -- Brad Hanson and Corey Ransom.
- Dan Kunkel was recognized as an Honorary Member

##### Site Selection – Ryan Bryant-Schlobohm

- The Westin in Seattle, WA was chosen as the first option to move forward with for 2025
- contract negotiations

##### Awards – Tim Prather

- Elena Sanchez Scholarship recipients for 2023 are 1) Carlos Alberto Gonsiorkiewicz Rigon, Colorado State University; 2) Georgia Harrison, University of Idaho; and 3) Zachariah Fighter, Montana State University.  
Beth Fowers was recognized as the Outstanding Professional Staff
- Breanne Tidemann was recognized as the Outstanding Weed Scientist, Early Career, Public Sector
- Byron Sleugh was recognized as the Outstanding Weed Scientist, Private Sector

#### Poster – Rui Liu

- The poster boards and easels are currently stored at Utah State University. Corey Ransom and Eric Westra brought them to Boise, ID and will bring them to Denver, CO.

#### Necrology – Rachel Seedorf

- Six WSWS members were memorialized at the 2023 meeting -- Scott Parrish, Albert Fisher, Bobby J. Goeman, Mike Newton, Charles Randall Hart, and Doug Ryerson.

#### Sustaining Membership – Rachel Zuger

- No Report

#### Legislative – Slade Franklin

- See report posted <https://wsweedscience.org/wp-content/uploads/WSWS-Board-Report-2023-Regular-Legislative.pdf>

#### Herbicide Resistant Plants – Lovreet Shergill

- Created a factsheet to promote weedscience.org for herbicide resistance case submission instead of the survey conducted every year.

#### Ad-Hoc Invasive Species – Brian Mealor/Chad Cummings co-chairs (presented by Brian Mealor)

- The committee worked directly with the partially disrupted SRM Rangeland Invasive Species Committee leadership to develop a full day workshop that was held at the 2023 SRM national meeting in Boise in February 2023 focused on whole-system strategic management of invasive annual grasses. Several members of both committees took part in the workshop that was attended by 120+ people. We think there are ripe opportunities to enhance cooperation with SRM RISC and SRM as a whole.

#### Ad Hoc Diversity and Inclusion Committee – Elizabeth Mosqueda

- Will be working with the Website Committee to add a Diversity and Inclusion Tab to the website
- The full report is posted on <https://wsweedscience.org/wp-content/uploads/WSWS-Board-Report-2023-Regular-Diversity-and-Inclusion.pdf>

#### Ad Hoc Needs of our Agency Members – Julie Kraft (presented by Tim Prather)

- The committee reached out to numerous members and past members from agencies but did not get much feedback on what they need from WSWS. Agency participation is the lowest it has been in years.

#### Student Paper/Poster Judging – Clint Beiermann

- **Oral Presentations:**

- **Weeds of Range, Forestry, & Natural Areas:**

1st place: Erin Hettinger, Utah State University  
*Community Response to Dyer's Woad Control Efforts*

2nd place: Erin Teichroew, Montana State University  
*Impact of native vegetation on cheatgrass fitness: A neighborhood study*

3rd place: Walker Billings, University of Wyoming  
*Effects of Grazing Deferment Following Invasive Annual Grass Control with Indaziflam in Northeast Wyoming*

- **Weeds of Agronomic Crops:**

1st place: Marija Savic, Washington State University  
*Smooth Scouringrush Control with Glyphosate is Affected by Surfactant Choice and Application Time*

2nd place: Victor Ribeiro, Oregon State University  
*Herbicide Resistance in Downy Brome from Winter Wheat Fields in Eastern Oregon*

- **Weeds of Horticultural Crops + Basic Biology & Ecology:**

1st place: Joshua Miranda, Oregon State University  
*European Hazelnut (*Corylus avellana* L.) and Canada thistle (*Cirsium arvense* L.) Response to Florpyrauxifen-benzyl*

- **Poster Presentations**

- **Weeds of Range, Forestry, & Natural Areas:**

1st place: Weston Maughan, Utah State University  
*Testing barrier-created safe sites for revegetation purposes in indaziflam-treated areas*

- **Weeds of Agronomic Crops:**

1st place: McKenzie Barth, University of Wyoming  
*Late-Season Weed Control in Dry Bean With Split Application of Residual Herbicides*

2nd place: Chandra Montgomery, University of Idaho  
*Weed Seedbank Control in Rotational Crops for Proactive Herbicide Resistance Management*

- **Weeds of Horticultural Crops:**

1st place: Joshua Miranda, Oregon State University  
*Indaziflam Resistance in Annual Bluegrass (*Poa annua* L.) from Hazelnut Orchards*

- **Basic Biology & Ecology:**

1st place: Andre Lucas Simoes Araujo, Colorado State University

*Weed survey in Colorado sugar beet farms reveals resistance to Dicamba and Glyphosate*

New Business: WSWS Committee Members - in person meeting during the annual WSWS meeting

- The topic was brought forward by Joan Campbell. She expressed concerns about the committee meetings not being open to the entire membership and that it would be easier for people to attend and be more involved if the meetings occurred at the WSWS annual meeting. She also reminded the membership of the importance of being involved in the governance of the Society.

Passing of the Gavel

- Curtis Rainbolt thanked Joel Felix for his service to WSWS as President 2022-2023

Curtis reminded the attendees that Board of Directors photos – outgoing and incoming board members – would be taken immediately after the conclusion of the meeting

Curtis thanked André Araujo for being our photographer.

Reminder about the silent auction.

Curtis recognized Eric Gustafson for his patience and help.

Ryan Rapp motioned that the Business Meeting be adjourned. Alan Helm seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes were recorded by Sandra McDonald on behalf of Joe Vassios