



## WSWS Officer and Committee Report

### 2020 Annual Meeting – Maui, HI

**Office or Committee Name:** Education & Regulatory

**Officer or Chairperson Name:** Joel Felix

**Date of Preparation (include year):** February 28, 2020

#### **Activities during the year:**

##### Symposia

All symposia and workshop activities were coordinated by the joint WSWS and WSSA 2020 Program Chairs (Corey Ransom and Bill Curran). The list of symposia/workshops for the 2020 WSSA/WSWS joint meeting in Maui, HI will be as follows:

1. The Role of Intelligent Machines in Weed Management.  
Steve Fennimore and Sharon Clay
2. Genomics of Weedy and Invasive Species-2025 and Beyond.  
Mithila Jugulam
3. The Ecological and Biodiversity Impact of Invasive Grass Species and Their Management.  
Lisa Rew and Tim Prather
4. 2020 Vision for Hawaiian Invasive Plant Management.  
Curtis Daehler and David Clements
5. Toxicology and Weed Science.  
Scott Senseman
6. Building a Community to Battle the Wicked Problem of Herbicide Resistance  
David Shaw

##### Pesticide applicator continuing education credits (CEU)

In accordance with the decision by the Board of Director's in 2019 to delegate responsibilities for seeking CEUs to members, a call for volunteers was sent to WSWS members during fall 2019. Member from five states volunteered to coordinate applications for CEUs for participants from their respective states (see below). Many thanks to the volunteers.

1. Beth Fowers – Wyoming
2. Joan Campbell – Idaho
3. Kai Umeda - Arizona
4. Lisa Blecker – California
5. Tim Seipel – Montana

### Communication with Public Relations Committee

The BOD's decision to support the Public Relations committee's efforts to hire a person to coordinate the WSWS social media presence on a trial basis was communicated to the chair. The committee has advertised the need for someone to fill that position and activities will hopefully start in 2020. The committee will report the outcome to the BOD to determine the future of this endeavor.

### **Recommendations for Board Action:**

Update the language to replace items 7-10 on page 16 of the Operation Guideline to reflect changes for responsibilities to coordinate CEUs as suggested in 2019 as follows:

- Sends out requests in the fall and winter newsletters for members to coordinate the acquisition of continuing education credits (CEUs) for their states. These WSWS members will be responsible for requesting credits, securing signature sheets, disseminating and retrieving signature sheets, and submitting verification after the meeting.
- Facilitates the transfer of the Annual Meeting program draft from the Program Chairperson to the individuals seeking CEUs.
- Efforts will be made to identify one member of WSWS in each state who could shepherd the annual task of securing recertification credits in the respective state..

**Budget Needs:** Budget needs for symposia during the 2021 annual meeting in Boise, ID will be determined at a later date.

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**Other committee members:** Todd Neel, chair-elect, Education and Regulatory Committee