

2007 WSSA Committee Report to Members Summary for 2007 and Action Plan for 2008

Committee Code and Name: W10 Constitution and Operating Procedures

Committee Chair: Ralph E. Whitesides

Board Coordinator:

Committee Members Rotating Off:

Appropriate Replacements:

Committee Goals for 2007 (what did the committee plan to accomplish in 2007): **During 2007 the W10 Constitution and Operating Procedures Committee planned to update the Constitution and the MOP and have them available in a more easily read format on the WSSA home page.**

Summary of Progress for 2007:

What was accomplished toward the goals set by the committee? The 2006 edition of the revised Constitution was made available on the WSSA home page. There are still many changes that could be made but the format changing has made both the Constitution and the MOP easier to read.

What was the membership/committee involvement in committee activities? The membership voted on a constitutional amendment to allow a graduate student as a member of the Board of Directors. This amendment was passed by a majority of those who voted.

If funds were requested, how much was requested and how much was actually spent? No funds were requested.

What was the impact of the committee activities/accomplishments on any or all of the following: membership, publication, policy, legislation, and/or education? The greatest impact was the addition by society vote of a graduate student as a member of the WSSA Board of Directors.

What is the current state of committee/project activity and what is needed to further the goals of the committee/project? The Aquatic Plant Management Society has representation on the Board of Directors for WSSA. However, the Constitution and MOP Committee was not able to find any direct reference to an MOP or MOA between APMS and WSSA.

Recommendations for Board/Society Action:

Committee Goals for 2008: Finalize changes in the Constitution and MOP and place the final and corrected version on the WSSA home page.

Plan of Action for 2008: Correct the records of the WSSA to reflect the Graduate Student MOP and the APMS MOP.

Resources needed for 2008:

Finances: None requested

Membership involvement (person-hours): Board members may be required to assist in the making final changes to the MOP with some limited time required for the Constituion.