

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

Committee Code and Name: E8 Environmental Quality Committee

Committee Chair: Scott Senseman

Board Coordinator: John Jachetta

Committee Members Rotating Off: Scott Senseman (Chair), Robert Kremer, L. Van Eerd, G. Henry, U. Nandihalli

Appropriate Replacements: I would suggest that another individual be nominated for chair and that the individuals rotating off be asked to rejoin if they so choose. We are not getting more people in this area of research at the current time and it is difficult to get a critical mass. I believe that only 4 people attended the committee meeting last year.

Summary of Progress for 2007:

What was accomplished toward the goals set by the committee? We really did not have any committee goals set other than to meet again the following year.

What was the membership/committee involvement in committee activities? Listless.

If funds were requested, how much was requested and how much was actually spent? None 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? None

What is the current state of committee/project activity and what is needed to further the goals of the committee/project? Our numbers have dwindled. Activity in this area is relatively low.

Recommendations for Board/Society Action: Recommendations for Board Action: I would suggest that perhaps the committee should be reduced in numbers due to difficulty in finding replacements for individuals who are rotating off of the committee. There have not been substantial increases in the numbers of individuals across the country who are associated with WSSA doing environmental work. In my opinion, the committee is a bit large for the potential representation that is available to us for committee membership.

Committee Goals for 2008: Elect a new chair; replace existing committee members; ask for input on potential symposia

Plan of Action for 2008: Elect a new chair; replace existing committee members; ask for input on potential symposia

Resources needed for 2008:

Finances: 0

Membership involvement (person-hours): 0