

Canadian Weed Science Society
Report to WSSA Board of Directors

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The CWSS had a very successful annual meeting in Niagara Falls, ON on November 21-24, 2011.

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Members	171	181	167	127	119	124	123	115
Attendance	206	215	212	202	188	132	178	170
Graduate student presentations	9	11	13	15	18	14	17	18
Oral				32	25	24	28	35
Posters	36	26	24	40	28	36	28	21

The annual meeting generated a substantial profit which helps cover the expenses of the society.

The CWSS board of directors meets bi-monthly via conference calls. There have been a number of issues that the board has dealt with this year including:

1. Updating the bylaws of the society as required by Corporations Canada.
2. Updating the entire Manual of Operating Procedures.
3. Restructuring all of the committees so that the chair of each committee is a CWSS board member. This ensures much better communication with the board.
4. Identifying experts in various aspects of weed science and submitting their names to the national "Science Media Centre".
5. Expanding the number (total of 6), and increasing the value, of graduate student scholarships provided by the society.

The CWSS published two peer reviewed editions of "Topics in Weed Science" in 2011:

1. Physical weed control: Progress and challenges. Edited by Daniel C. Cloutier and Maryse L. Leblanc.

2. The politics of weeds. Edited by K. Neil Harker.

The society hopes to publish two additional editions in this calendar year.

The next annual meeting of the society is on November 12-15, 2012 in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Future Meetings: 2014: February____, Vancouver, BC (Joint meeting with WSSA)

2014: November, Quebec City, PQ