#### **Minutes**

WSSA Summer Board Meeting Hilton Portland & Executive Tower Hotel Portland, OR July 24-25, 2010

## Saturday, July 24, 2010

Meeting called to order by John Jachetta, President, at 7:47 a.m.

Attending:

Cody Gray (APMS Representative)

James Anderson (Director of Publications)

Rod Lym (Vice President)

Kevin Bradley (NCWSS representative)

Kate Counter (Meeting manger)

David Shaw (Past President)

Anita Dille (Treasurer)

John Jachetta (President)

Joyce Lancaster (Executive Secretary)

Anne Légère (Member-at-Large)

Carol Mallory-Smith (Acting WSWS Representative, Local Arrangements)

Jason Norsworthy (SWSS Representative)

Mike Owen (Member-at-Large)

Peter Porpiglia (Member-at-Large)

Mike Barrett (President-Elect)

Peter Sikkema (CWSS Representative)

Sarah Ward (Member-at-Large)

Lee Van Wychen (Director of Science Policy)

Sarah True (GSO Representative)

Dave Vitolo (Secretary)

Fred Raish (NAWMA)

Jill Schroeder (EPA SME, Call-in for report)

Agenda approved with the addition of APMS and WSWS and Mission statement discussion.

Moved Sikkema, 2nd Porpiglia. Passed Unanimously.

#### Introduction to NAWMA- Fred Raish

364 members, 36 states & CA. Private commercial applicators. Western States, most working on invasives. Discussions to continue on partnerships between WSSA and NAWMA.

Action: Lancaster to get travelling publ. display to Fred for September meeting. Someone on ground from WSSA is preferable.

Approval of the Reports on the Consent Agenda:

- Minutes from both February meetings and email business -Vitolo
- CWSS Report Sikkema
- WSWS Report Miller
- NCWSS Report **Bradley**
- E-2 Science Policy Committee-Shilling
- E6 Research and Competitive Grants Progress Report- Davis
- E10-Herbicides for Minor Uses Summer Report- Miller
- E11 Weed Loss Committee Progress Report- Everman
- E-1 Liaison Committee- Lym
- W3f Outstanding Paper in Weed Technology- Robinson
- P11 Abstract Committee Report- Chao
- P22b Standardized Plant Names-Miller
- W3a-Fellows and Honorary Members- Barrentine
- W9 Necrology Committee Progress Report- **Everman**
- W11 Extension Committee Progress Report- Everman
- W21 Professional Development Committee- **Brommer**
- Wg3-Graduate Student Award Summer- Sandler

**Motion** to approve minutes - Gray, Shaw 2nd, Passed Unanimously

#### APMS Report - **Gray**— see report for details.

Action: Committee E12 – Cody to provide recommendation from APMS for member for HRPC

Action: Allen Press: APMS would like on-line submission process.

WSWS – Concern that there are too many meetings in the West. Need coordination.

Action: Jeff Derr - look into concern of Joe Ditomasso regarding BUGWOOD photo approval process.

Action: Regional Reps- provide a list of regional societies meeting plans.

Action: Jachetta- coordinate planning of meeting locations to avoid burdening regions.

#### **WSSA Mission statement:**

Discussion around drafts of mission statement provided by P Porpiglia.

After discussion, board decided to review changes online.

Action: Jachetta to send revised Mission statement out to board for review and discussion via email.

## President's report- **Jachetta** (see reports for details)

NIFA funding challenge

Herbicide Resistance Education Committee

Healthy Habitats Coalition

Key policy initiatives: CSI, ISER, Farm Bill

**Motion:** Approve the request for \$10,000 for support of Healthy Habitats Coalition (HHC) initiatives. - Barrett, 2<sup>nd</sup> David Shaw. Discussion ensued. Motion moved. Passed 7-6, with tie break from chair.

# EPA Subject Matter report- **Schroeder** (see report)

EPA tour of NM planned for 2 August.

Action: Schroeder to provide 15 minute update to membership at 2011 Portland meeting (Barrett to request).



EPA SME 2010.doc

# Abstract submission software and website development- Krueger

Status of Abstract software: 4 societies will be using it in 2010. Working well.

Proposal to redesign the WSSA website. Online review of site and discussion ensued. Should work begin in September? Blog?

Action: Derr/Krueger – Provide proposal cost for redesign with Blog capability and recommendation from committee for action ASAP. Board will vote on recommendation prior to the 2011 annual meeting.

Proposal – Separate page for annual meetings. Onetime cost ~\$4000, and some yearly maintenance.

Action: Derr- Need committee recommendation on separate page proposal.



Concern expressed that a separate site may divert traffic. Need detailed discussion of risks and benefits to main site traffic from committee.

# NEWSS Report/ 2013 Joint Meeting- Askew

NEWSS membership voted to meet with WSSA.

Action: Jachetta - WSSA is willing to explore the possibility of a 2013 Joint meeting with the NEWSS. John will respond to them next week.

#### Executive Secretary report - Lancaster

See report.

## Finance committee/treasurer's report - Dille and Lancaster.

Discussion around our current status of investments. See report.

Permanently restricted funds in the auditors view are direct donations to the endowment only. Mark Czarnota will now see cancelled checks for review.

**Motion** to approve audit - Gray, 2nd Owen. Passed unanimously.

**Motion:** \$10000 for 10 awards from the endowment committee for Undergraduate Research Award. - Diehl, 2<sup>nd</sup> Barrett. Passed unanimously.

Finance committee recommendations regarding National and cooperating society funding Proposal for the WSSA Director of Science Policy.



See report for proposal text. of Science Policy 2020

Historically 65/35 WSSA/regional. Goal to get a three year commitment from members, with review after three years. Thus far, SWSS agreed to one year, pledging \$10,802.

**Motion:** Approve Finance Committee recommendations regarding National and Cooperating Society Funding Proposal for the WSSA Director of Science Policy, effective 2010. - Bradley, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lym. Passed unanimously.

Action: Jachetta to contact each regional society starting August 10, 2010.

# Publications Board report - Anderson



Weed Technology Weed Science Invasive Plant Science and Management

#### Goals:

Reduce manuscript turnaround time. We are working with the AE's to improve the process.

Update WSSA Journal homepage and links to Society homepage. Underway.

We have applied for an impact factor in IPSM.

Discussion and request to P1: Authors should cite original work, not the review article. Reviewers should enforce. Add in instructions to authors, newsletter, etc.

## S71- WSSA Herbicide Resistance Education Committee progress report- Shaw

Committee is developing a comprehensive education strategy on herbicide resistance. The primary goal is to have WSSA seen as the go-to organization for science-based information on herbicide resistant weeds.



S-71 Herbicide Resistance Education

A critical element of the committee's activities will be the development of the report, funded by USDA-APHIS, entitled "Herbicide-Resistant Weeds Management Report The sections of the report will include:

- Introduction
- Most effective best management practices (BMPs) for managing the development and spread of herbicide resistance in weeds
- Degree of adoption of these BMPs
- Factors impacting adoption, or the lack thereof
- Recommendations for how to increase adoption

Action: Anderson - APHIS paper needs to go through appropriate peer review. Lancaster has action to have technical editing done by 1 September. Jim to identify editor, and will review. Must be to press by end November.

If paper is to be published, it needs to go through peer review.

Committee is looking for volunteers to provide information where gaps exist

WSSA classification system needs to be highlighted on our website, and used as basis of an EPA labeling system.

# Professional Development Committee- Ward



W21\_Professional Development Commit

The Professional Development Committee continues to be at the vanguard of social media and new scientific media developments. The committee acts as a filter and tester for different media outlets and sources for the WSSA membership.

# <u>Discussion on the 2011 Summer Board Meeting location and the 2014 National Meeting</u> venue- **Counter**

2011 Summer Board Meeting location:

**Motion:** WSSA holds summer meeting at meeting site in HI. - Barrett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Légère.

Yes 12, No 4. Passed. **Date 27/7-1/8** 

Several options in Vancouver. Site visits and negotiation planning underway.

#### MOP updates - Whitesides

Action: Whitesides- 2009 edition will be posted on website, to replace the 2007 version now posted.

Graduate Student Association report and program for 2011 meeting - True

Action: True - Continue student luncheon, Lancaster to forward history of donors, True to find the donors.

Action: True - Idea to invite <30 undergrads for a ½ day event at 2011 meeting.

Action: True - Establish a "take a graduate student to breakfast or dinner" program.

# Sunday, July 25, 2010

#### New Business

Associate membership for NAWMA and perhaps the California Weeds Group (others?)

**Motion:** Prior to the 2011 meeting, the WSSA will Re-establish the Associate Membership category with print and online access for one Journal, for a fee of \$50/yr. – Vitolo, 2nd Owen. Vote Passed unanimously

Joint workshop ideas to be discussed by program chair. Limit to NAWMA for 2011

## Meeting registration rates for 2011:

**Motion:** Regular meeting registration rate for the 2011 meeting will be \$325/\$425/\$475. – Vitolo, Lym 2<sup>nd.</sup> 14 yes, 2 no. Passed

**Motion:** Non-member meeting registration rate for the 2011 meeting will be: \$375/\$450/\$475 – Vitolo, 2<sup>nd</sup> Légère. Passed unanimously

**Motion:** Student meeting registration rate for the 2011 meeting will be: \$125 – Barrett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gray. Passed unanimously

**Motion:** Guest meeting registration rate for the 2011 meeting will be: \$80 – Shaw, 2<sup>nd</sup> Porpiglia. Passed unanimously

**Motion:** One day meeting registration rate for the 2011 meeting will be: \$ 175 - Shaw, 2<sup>nd Gray</sup>. Passed unanimously

#### Membership rates for 2011:

**Motion:** WSSA membership rates for the 2011 calendar year will remain the same as 2010 - Vitolo, Ward 2<sup>nd.</sup> Passed unanimously

WSSA representation to IPMVoice in support of their advocacy initiative

**Motion:** Establish a WSSA representative on the IPMVoice advisory committee. President will select the representative in consultation with the W-17 committee. Barrett. Shaw 2<sup>nd</sup>. 15 yes, 1 no. Passed

Joint meeting with WSSA and Agronomy Society?

Action: Lym will respond back that we are not interested.

# <u>2011 Program Committee/ Local Arrangements – Barrett/ Mallory-Smith</u>

New submission system will be used.

Board will meet Saturday 2/5 and Sunday (Full days).

2<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting Thursday afternoon, end 5 pm.

Trying to find time for evening reception.

Syngenta dinner Tuesday evening.

All poster presenters at posters 1<sup>st</sup> hr of reception.

Tourism: weather unpredictable, ornamental tours, viticulture.

NAWMA workshop Thursday AM (working with Fred). Barrett will try to arrange Wednesday sessions of interest to NAWMA.

## Symposia:

Need good budget justifications and publication plans. Top votes:

- The Science of Herbicide Discovery
- Non-Chemical Tactics in Herbicide Resistance Management: Current Needs and Future
- Prospects Navigating the universe of grants, contracts, and gifts in the 21st century
- Advances in dose-response methodology applied to the science of weed control

We need to give special consideration to turf symposium. Grass seed production? Wine and beer tastings?

NAWMA – Practitioner/Scientist interactive workshop. No feel for numbers from NAMA.

# <u>Director of Science Policy-Van Wychen (NIFA, CLA, Spray Drift, NPDES Permits, NISAW/ISAW/HHC)</u>

Major weed science policy initiatives during 2010:

- 1. Address Weed Science funding issues with the newly established USDA National Institute for Food and Agriculture (NIFA).
- 2. Submit Federal Register comments on Spray Drift Pesticide Registration Notice and bring in outside expertise to educate federal staff on the advances in herbicide application technologies

- 3. Continue to provide input to EPA on National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits and submit Federal Register comments on their draft NPDES Pesticide General Permit (PGP) due on July 19.
- 4. Work with APHIS/EPA and WSSA members on the two herbicide resistance white papers
- 5. Work with all herbicide resistant stakeholders to help develop a uniform herbicide resistance management strategy and move towards a resolution that can be approved by all the National and Regional Weed Science Societies
- 6. Work with federal invasive weed stakeholders, in particular the National Invasive Species Council to develop an agenda for National Invasive Species Awareness Week (NISAW)
- 7. Work with invasive weed related non-government organizations (NGO's) like the Healthy Habitats Coalition and APMS to coordinate a legislative fly-in to Washington DC during NISAW.
- 8. Maintain input and interaction with the Public Awareness Committee
- 9. Continue to provide weed science based information and resources to Federal agencies, Congress, and NGO's.

Discussion around WSSA White paper headline, and vetting process to members. Suggestion that we be more selective in how we refer to our "support".

Action: Vitolo - Change "support "to "comments" in headline on website re NRC paper.

Discussion around speakers and topics for awards ceremony. Do we need speaker(s)? Jill, Leonard, others? Gates Foundation? Mike will take under advisement.

Action: Van Wychen Invite Sheryl Kunickus to Portland meeting. Sunday board meeting, dinner with the board?



W4 Weed Biology Committee name change to "Weed Biology and Ecology"

**Motion**: Change the name of the Weed Biology committee to "Weed Biology and Ecology Committee" Vitolo 2<sup>nd</sup> Légère 15/1 passed



# Public Awareness Committee (and WSSA rolling-survey proposal) - Jachetta



Very active and under budget.

"Favorite Myths" section for WSSA website. Proposed content to be vetted through Board.

Rolling proposal survey (see attached for full proposal):

As the WSSA Public Awareness Committee continues to help shape the strategic framework of the organization, Dow AgroSciences is proposing and pledging long-term support for an annual WSSA membership survey to identify the leading weed management trends and issues facing the industry.

Releasing the results of the annual membership survey, implemented and executed by members of the WSSA, would help enhance the organization's profile within the agricultural industry, elevate awareness of the organization outside its traditional audience and improve communication regarding weed management trends, challenges and solutions.

Decision to discuss further without action.

Any other New Business:

Shaw looking for nominations for VP and member at large

#### MOP Edit Re meeting timing:

**Motion:** Edit text pg 57: MOP General Policies, Time of meeting. The Annual Meetings of the Society will preferentially be held the first or second full week of February unless it is deemed necessary to change the date to accommodate joint meetings. Whitesides, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sikkima yes 15, no 1 Passed.

#### **EPA** student interns:

Actions: Jachetta- Fact finding re EPA weed science interns

Endowment committee asked for matching funds from WSSA. Endowment committee asked to be responsible for investments for endowment fund.

Action: Dille will report back to Endowment committee the board's response Action: Lancaster to get endowment fund on *Combined Federal Campaign List* for Federal matching funds

**Motion** to Adjourn Whitesides, 2<sup>nd</sup> Barrett.

Meeting adjourned 9:53 AM

Submitted by Dave Vitolo Secretary, WSSA