WSSA Business Meeting – February 24, 2022

Virtual Meeting

Call to Order:

Anita Dille at 4:34PM CST

Motion to approve WSSA 2021 Meeting Minutes by Bill Curran. Seconded by Marty Schraer. Motion passed.

Finance Committee: Greg Elmore

Statement of Financial Position as of January 31, 2022:

i. U.S. Bank \$303,274.59

ii. General Fund \$1,660,289.59

iii. Endowment Fund \$506,030.13

iv. CD Account \$230,729.33

v. Inventory Asset \$3,519.66

vi. Total Assets \$2,703,843.30

Overall, WSSA is in very good financial health.

Endowment: Anita Dille

Endowment fund currently has \$506,030.13 dollars that are used to support students and travel to enrich and support education. Contributors of \$100 or more were announced.

Publications Committee: Chris Willenborg

Revenue/Expenses

Total 2020 income: \$490,197 (38% royalty: \$186,274)

Total after expenses: \$224,595

Funds from Cambridge include editorial stipends (\$52,500) and outstanding paper and reviewer awards (\$6,000). Payment to Linda Edgerton for writing featured article press and blog releases: \$2,949 (\$6,000 budgeted).

WSSA Journals

Weed Science

Manuscripts submitted: 183 (233) Acceptance rate: 39% (41%)

Total page number for 2021 volume: 729 (681)

Number published articles: 77 (81)

Mean time from submission to first decision: 40 days (36 days) Impact factor 2.713 (2.258)

a. 21/91 Agronomy Journalsb. 84/235 Plant Sciences Journals

Weed Technology

Manuscripts submitted: 191 (203) Acceptance rate: 56% (61%) Total page number for 2021 volume: 1038 (921).

Number published articles: 137 (126)

Mean time from submission to first decision: 49 days (44 days)

Impact factor: 1.703 (1.259)

a. 43/91 Agronomy Journals (48/91)

b. 121/235 Plant Sciences Journals (140/234)

IPSM

Manuscripts submitted: 60 (60) Acceptance rate: 59% (55%)

Total page number for 2021 volume: 281 (293)

Number published articles: 32 (33)

Mean time from submission to first decision: 40 days (35 days)

Impact factor 1.273 (0.905)

a. 168/235 Plant Sciences Journals

Herbicide Handbook, 11th edition, will be electronic database and not in print.

Nominating Committee: Bill Curran

Committee is comprised of past presidents. New MOP language was drafter to clarify confusion on dates to serve on the committee. A committee meeting was held in late June 2021. Several names were suggested for VP and member at large (academia). Two people for each seat ran for the position. New incoming VP will be Greg Dahl and Michael Flessner will be the incoming member at large. Congratulations!

Program Chair: Stanley Culpepper

Overall

Original submissions for in-person meeting: 371

Presentations during virtual meeting: 252

Session breakout

WSSA 3MT MS: 16 WSSA 3MT PhD: 12

WSSA Student Enrichment/Fellowships: 8

Pre-recorded oral: 91

MS Student Poster Contest: 20 PhD Student Poster Contest: 33

General Poster: 49

Thank you to all the section chairs for both the WSSA and CWSS programs!

Five symposiums were selected for funding. However, these will be held virtually throughout the year and will be made available.

Special thanks to Anita Dille, David Clements, Eric Gustafson, and Jenna Vance.

Future Meetings: Carroll Moseley

Currently, there are 45 active committees and 16 program committees. Committee reports need to be sent in. Please provide liaison and committee changes to Greg Dahl and Carrol Moseley.

2023 Annual Meeting

Joint with NEWSS January 30 - February 2, 2023 Crystal Gateway Marriott Arlington, VA

2024 Annual Meeting

Joint with SWSS January 22 – 25, 2024 Hyatt Regency San Antonio San Antonio, TX

2025 Annual Meeting

Joint with CWSS
February 24 – 27, 2025
Sheraton Wall Centre
Vancouver, BC Canada

NIFA Fellow: Jim Kells

Two announcements:

- 1. WSSA is sponsoring a series of two webinars on NIFA funding. March 22 and 29 at 3PM CST for one hour. Webinars will cover updates and introduce grant programs for weed science to be involved. The webinars are open to all.
- 2. Weed scientists are needed to serve on NIFA grant panels.

International Weed Science Congress (IWSC): Nilda Burgos

The 8th IWSC will be held December 4-10, 2022, in Bangkok, Thailand. The overall theme deals with climate change with 15 main topic areas. Registration is live. The abstract submission deadline is May 1, 2022, with early-bird registration on May 31, 2022. Student grants are supported by WSSA (\$12,000) and the IWSC has matched. Hopefully \$20,000 will be provided to new weed scientists to help with travel. Nilda thanks the sponsors for their support.

In Memorial Committee: Wes Everman

In 2021-2022 we lost 6 members of the WSSA community that I am aware of: James Bone Jr., David Hall, Charles Mohler, Albert Smith Jr., Charles Swann, Dale Wolf. Further details can be found in the Necrology Report. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.

Photo Contest Awards: Angela Poast

Joint contest with CWSS.

Weeds in the Landscape

Honorable Mention: Zahoor Ganie

2nd Place: Andre Araujo

1st Place: Sandeep Rana

<u>Vegetative Structures</u>

2nd Place: Estefania Polli

1st Place: Zahoor Ganie

Flowers and Fruits

2nd Place: Sandeep Rana

1st Place: Hannah Wright

CWSS/WSSA Graduate Student Contest Poster and Presentation Awards: Charles Geddes and Marty Schraer

Thank you to all the judges!

A complete list of winners can be found online.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Anita introduces Stanley as the new WSSA President. Passing of the gavel. Stanley thanks Anita for her service. WSSA BOD recognized for their service. Congratulations to all the students for giving amazing presentations.

<u>Motion to conclude Business Meeting made by Marty Schraer. Seconded by Carroll Moseley. Motion passed.</u>