**WSSA Business Meeting**

**Arlington, VA**

**January 31, 2018**

Call to order-Janis McFarland. 5:35 pm. Thanks to Joe Omielan for photography during the meeting. Many cameos and awards shots.

Approval of Business Meeting Agenda: motioned by Rich Bonnano seconded by Larry Steckel. Passed unanimously.

Approval of 2017 Business meeting minutes-Hilary Sandler: Peter Perpiglia motion and Wes Everman seconded. Passed unanimously.

2018 Program-Scott Senseman: all going well. Marty Schraer to give details later.

2019 Program-Larry Steckel: Next meeting will be in New Orleans at the Sheraton New Orleans.

Treasurer’s Report-Rick Boydston: Society is in good shape. Rick’s report is available separately.

Endowment Report-Anita Dille: Close to $0.5 million dollars currently in the fund, targeting support of graduate students. Please donate!

Graduate Student Organization-Chase Samples: 50 attendees at Student Workshop, topic was focused on determining career goals. Elected several new officers as several folks graduated.

Publication Report-Sarah Ward: Journals are on-line only and it has been well received. Please note no extra charge for color in the journals now. Weed Science and Weed technology now up to 6 issues per year. More details can be found in Sarah’s report.

Science Policy- Lee Van Wychen: February 1 is the start of Pesticide Safety Education Month (first one!). IR4 slated to talk on March 12 to legislators. Number of comment periods coming up (e.g., glyphosate, WOTUS). National weed survey will be noncrop areas in 2018. Donn Shilling stepping aside as NIFA Fellow and will be searching for his replacement soon. Thanks to Mike Barrett for service as EPA Liaison.

Election Results-Janis McFarland: Darren Dodds as Secretary; Phil Banks as Treasurer; and Bill Curran as Vice-President; Dawn Refsell as Member at Large.

NOTE for next Business Meeting: DO NECROLOGY AFTER STUDENT AWARDS.

Necrology-Wes Everman: Merrill Ross and Henry Wilson actually recognized in detail at 2017 Meeting but acknowledged here too. Recognized in detail at this meeting: Orvin Burnside. Eddie Basler. Wayne Cole. Robert Conner. Turney Hernandez. Gerald Stephenson. Dennis Tierna, Ciba Geigy, environmental and water quality. Gustafa Funatello motorcycle accident in NV.

Graduate Student Contest Winners: Darren Dodds and Marty Schraer: 5 MS and 10 PhD posters, 23 MS and 30 PhD oral presentations.

MS Poster: 1= Scott Bales, 2= Eric Oseland

MS Oral

Section 1:3= Derek Whalen, 2=Shea Farrell, 1\_ Margaret McCullough

Section 2: 3=Garrison Gundy, 2+ Brian Dintleman, 1- Michael Probst

Section 3: 3- Jodi Boe, 2= Meghan Grguric, 1= Brendan Metzger

PhD Poster

Section 1: 2= Marlon Bastinani 1= Zachery Carpenter

Section 2: 2= Ramawatar Yadav, 1=Drake Copeland

PhD Orals:

Section 1:Elizabeth Mosqueda, 2= Neeta Soni, 1= Oliver Carter

Section 2: 3= Chris Meyer, 2= Cara McCauley, 1= John Buol

Section 3: 3= Aaron Booker, 2= Michael Plumber, 1= Marshall Hay

Section 4: 3= Ethan Barnes, 2= Anita Kupper, 1=Neils Jorgensen

Old Business-Janis McFarland: none.

New Business-Janis McFarland: none.

Passing of the Gavel: Janis McFarland passed gavel to Scott Senseman. Presentation of President’s Gavel award to Janis by Scott.

Adjournment motioned by Larry Steckel and seconded by Rich Bonnano. Adjourned at 6:26 p.m.