

# **2010 WSSA Committee Progress Report July, 2010**

**Committee Code and Name:** Canadian Weed Science Society  
**Committee Chair:** Peter Sikkema  
**Committee Members Rotating Off:** After 2013 meeting in Baltimore -

## **2010 Summary of Activities**

1. Membership: 137
  - a. Regular Members: 125
  - b. Students: 17
  
2. Annual Meeting
  - a. 2009: Charlottetown, PEI
  - b. 2010: Regina, Saskatchewan
  - c. 2011: Niagara Falls, Ontario
  - d. 2012: Winnipeg, Manitoba
  - e. 2013: Vancouver, British Columbia (joint meeting with WSSA in February, 2014)
  
3. Publications (Topics in Weed Science):
  - a. Field boundary habitats
  - b. Weed management in transition
  - c. Soil residual herbicides
  - d. The first decade of herbicide resistant crops in Canada
  - e. Invasive plants: Inventories, strategies and action
  
4. Plenary Session Topics:
  - a. 2009: Climate Change
  - b. 2010: Industrial Crops
  - c. 2011: Glyphosate Resistant Weeds

The Canadian Weed Science Society, although small, is a vibrant community of professionals dedicated to all aspects of weed science. Individuals specialize in biological, cultural and chemical weed control, weed biology and invasiveness and government regulation.

The Board of the CWSS meets monthly via conference calls. Meetings are well structured and run efficiently. Agendas are circulated prior to the meetings and minutes published within days.

The new CWSS web-site is up and running. It is a dramatic improvement over the previous web-site.

The CWSS is struggling to publish the series "Topics in Weed Science". The last three publications (2007, 2008 and 2009) are in various states of preparation. Although in my previous report I expressed concern whether or not these would ever be published, we are making progress and expect to publish the 2007 and 2008 reports shortly.

In 2008, the CWSS hired Anita Drabek as our "Executive Assistant". Anita is instrumental in keeping the CWSS board on task and helps the society to run more smoothly.