

## 2010 WSSA Committee Progress Report July, 2010

**Committee Code and Name:** W4 Biology of Weeds Committee

**Committee Chair:** Jacob Barney

**Committee Members, 2010:** Prasanta Bhojmik, Paul Cavers, Mark Czarnota, Anita Dille, Darrin Dodds, Erik Lehnhoff, John Masuinas, Rich Smith, Nishanth Thayaril

**Board Coordinator:** Shawn Askew

**Committee Members Rotating Off:**      **Appropriate Replacements:**

### 2010 Summary of Activities (through 07/09/10)

- What are the committee's goals for 2010? We are seeking to change the name of the committee to "Weed Biology and Ecology" as all members of the committee work in the ecological aspects of weeds, and this better reflects the state of current weed science and is complementary to the paper and poster sessions at the annual meeting.
- List the committee's accomplishments (through 06/30/10): As a committee we decided to change the name of the committee. We also began preparing topics for symposia that will likely be held at the 2012 meeting. We would like to submit a series of paper resulting from the symposium to *Invasive Plant Science & Management*. Topic ideas are still in flux.
- What information was posted on the WSSA website? N/A
- How much funds were requested? N/A How much was spent? N/A
- What was the impact of the committee activities/accomplishments on the following: membership, publication, policy, legislation, and/or education? N/A
- What is the current state of the committee's projects and activities? The state of projects is active. Several of the committee members changed positions, which limited our ability to execute much for 2010.

### 2010 Plan for Committee Activities

- Other Goals for 2010:
- Plan of Action: In addition to meeting at WSSA we have been in communication regarding important topics such as name change and symposium ideas and proposals.

**Recommendations for Board/Society Action:**

- Funds requested for 2010: N/A
- Other requests for the Board: Change the name of the committee to “Weed Biology and Ecology”