

NCWSS Board Meeting Chouteau B, Hyatt Regency Crown Center Kansas City, MO December 9, 2009

- 1. Call to Order. 7:00 p.m. President Chris Boerboom presiding.
- Roll Call by Christy Sprague (Secretary-Treasurer). Quorum present. Board Members: C. Boerboom, M. Wrucke, B. Young, C. Sprague, R. Hartzler, H. Hatterman-Valenti, K. Bradley, D. Rathmann, M. Holm, R. Schmidt, B. Jenks, D. Bruns, M. Bernards, Andy Robinson, D. Saunders (proxy), and J. Lindquist. Others present at the meeting included: Lee VanWychen, John Wollum, and Glenn Nice.
- 3. President's Report. Chris Boerboom has contacted the committees for a list of the new chairs and vice chairs of committees. Harlene Hatterman-Valenti had a question about the sending of presentation from one company to a section chair that may be employed by a different company that may be a competitor. There was some discussion on whether it is more appropriate to have an academic to serve as the section chair to avoid this. There was the thought that this may limit involvement from industry. The section chairs should be more involved and many times end up being mostly the moderators. Kevin Bradley brought up if we adopt the WSSA software that allows for the uploading for presentations and the presentations are password protected until the time of the presentation this may not be an issue. Asking some of the industry people they thought of it as just a moderate issue. Most sections chairs if given notice will let people load their presentations, just prior if needed. John Lindquist suggested that we may be able to avoid this with the WSSA system. It was put forward for the Long Range Planning, Organizational Affairs, and Membership committee, Industry committee, and even the Program committee to discuss this issue and come up with some options to alleviate these concerns. Options should be proposed at the Summer Board Meeting to be considered. It has been the charge of the Long Range Planning, Organizational Affairs, and Membership Committee to investigate options for recording, website, delivery of papers and posters.
- 4. President-Elect's Report. Mark Wrucke reported on symposia ideas for 2010. Dean Reichers and Mike Barrett will organize a symposium on Herbicide Mode of Action. There was also request for an Adjuvant symposium from Bill Bagley and Greg Dahl.
- 5. Vice-President's Report. Bryan Young. No report:
- 6. Past President's Report. Mick Holm would like to commend John Wollam and the Local Arrangements Committee and Chris Boerboom for the program and a smooth running meeting. It was brought up to make sure that the Local Arrangements Committee is acknowledged at the luncheon.
- 7. Secretary-Treasurer's Report. Christy Sprague presented the 2010 NCWSS Budget (see attached). Mick Holm made a motion to approve the 2010 budget; Harlene Hatterman-Valenti seconded the motion. Questions were raised on passing a budget with a deficit. Also there was some discussion on the amount that we are sponsoring for the MIPN conference (\$1,000). The budget passed. Christy will notify Mark Renz about the NCWSS sponsorship of \$1,000 to the Stewardship Network and MIPN. The sponsorship will give the NCWSS recognition with the logo and also a half page ad for the new Midwest Weed ID Book.
- 8. Executive Secretary's Report. Robert Schmidt reported that at the 2009 Annual meeting that 243 members and 60 student members registered for a total of 303 registrants. The Invasive symposia had five preregistered, three did not show up and there were four walk-ins. The lunch guarantee was 325 estimated and 275 attended the lunch. Bob has usually estimated approximately 85% for luncheon and usually figured 60% for evening banquets. Everyone expressed their appreciation for Bob for all his hard work over the years.

- 9. Proceedings Editor Report. Bob Hartzler. Bob will work with Phil Banks to get the DVD of the NCWSS Proceedings mailed out.
- 10. Communications Editor Report. Harlene Hatterman-Valenti. No report.
- 11. WSSA Representative. Kevin Bradley. No report.
- 12. CAST Representative. Duane Rathmann. No report.
- 13. Director of Science Policy. Lee VanWychen reported on several issues in Washington D.C. He spent a lot of time updating the group on EPA Discharge permits and 2011 Clean water permits. It will be put on the states to implement and there is no money to help with this. There still needs to be a lot of information gathered. Definitions on: what constitutes a body of water?, etc. Citizen lawsuit clauses that are in the Clean Water Act allow citizens to question an applicators use. Lee commented that FIFRA works and if we follow it several of these other Acts are not needed. The timeline for this is April 2010, if the Supreme Court case does not happen. Pesticide spray drift labeling is another area of action. EPA would like to redo all of the drift statements on all labels. There will be a comment period. Someone brought up that this could be a potential symposia idea. Office of Pesticide Programs in the EPA was sued on exposure of farm workers and children. On the atrazine front not a lot that can be done at this point. Lee will be presenting comments on this issue. Jill Schroeder is the WSSA liaison for the EPA. Lee will add Mark Wrucke to the list for the Science Policy Committee. Bryan Young will be the NCWSS liaison to the WSSA Public Affairs Committee.

## Interest Group Committees:

- 14. Extension Committee. Mark Bernards indicated that the symposium was a success with the panel discussion format on the future of extension and applied research. Mark commented that the panel discussion format may continue in the future. Mark Bernards will send this idea to Mark Wrucke.
- 15. Graduate Student Committee. Andy Robinson had a question on what the status is of the Graduate Student Distinguished Achievement Award. Andy was told that the award passed at the Monday night board meeting. The Distinguished Achievement Awards Committee needs to be made aware of this change.
- 16. Industry Committee. Ryan Tichich is the new industry chair; Dave Saunders is proxy for Ryan at this meeting. No report. The Industry breakfast is tomorrow morning.
- 17. Resident Education Committee. John Lindquist would like to have the score sheet for the poster and paper contests posted on the web. Also poster size needs to be emphasized in the directions. John reported that the Resident Education Committee is supportive of this year's summer school in Wisconsin. The Resident Education Committee is also supportive of the Weed Olympics in 2011and have a NCWSS contest in 2012. The question was raised in if the University of Tennessee will be asking the NCWSS for financial support to support students who compete in the 2011 Weed Olympics. Currently, there hasn't been a proposal on how the contest will be funded. Fritz Koppatschek will be the new 2<sup>nd</sup> vice-chair for the Resident Education Committee. Information on the Summer School and the 2011 Weed Olympics needs to be put in the newsletter.
- 18. Long Range Planning, Organizational Affairs and Membership Committee. Bryan Young reported the Long Range Planning, Organizational Affairs, and Membership Committee thought that the Summer School development and support would fall under the Resident Education Committee jurisdiction. He also reported on various items that this committee discussed.
  - 1) Mark Bernards has been the lead in researching the feasibility of recording NCWSS Conference presentations and posters for internet viewing. Some of the aspects that need to be considered include: What audio and visual content would be posted?, b. Will this be mandatory for all presenters or will authors be given the opportunity to decline?, c. How much will this cost the society, members, or non-members who visit the website?, d. Who will be responsible for these efforts?

In general, the committee had a high level of support for moving in this direction as a service to both members and non-members.

<u>Bryan requested from the Board:</u> The committee seeks approval to further investigate the opportunity to capture and upload to a website the paper and poster presentations for the 2010 NCWSS meeting. The paper and poster presentations would be in the Adobe Acrobat pdf file format without any audio recording and authors would be given the opportunity to decline this service upon submitting their title or abstracts. This activity will also address concerns regarding the proprietary nature of some presentations and sharing of files with section chairs or moderators. The goal would be to have a formal proposal for Board consideration by April 1, 2010 so that any modifications to the title, abstract, paper, or poster submission process could be implemented prior the 2010 Call for Papers. Questions from the Board: Would the website where presentations and posters are posted be password protected? The motion from the committee to continue evaluation of web presence of presentations passed.

- 2) A healthy discussion occurred on the opportunities to increase student (undergraduate and graduate) activity within the NCWSS. Much of the discussion focused on increasing awareness of weed science with prospective students which may be facilitated through various mechanisms. Some ideas included participation of the NCWSS at the National FFA Convention, education of high school and community college guidance counselors on weed science, involvement of the NCWSS in industry internships, and several other ideas. Bruce Maddy and Bill Johnson volunteered to lead further discussion on this topic for future consideration.
- 3) The name for this committee is too long and cumbersome. <u>Request for Board Action</u>: The committee recommends the name for the "Long Range Planning, Organizational Affairs, and Membership Committee" be changed to the "Strategic Planning Committee." This will be sent out as a 30-day ballot for a change to the MOP.
- 4) Two new regional representatives (Western and Central) from this committee to the NCWSS Board were identified for two-year terms.

Western region - Brian Jenks, Academia (2011)

Central region - David Thomas, Industry (2011)

Eastern region - Dain Bruns, Industry (2010)

Chair - Vacant

5) As of the 2009 Wednesday Board meeting the Chair position for this committee will be vacated by Bryan Young to assume a position on the Executive Board. Nominations are being secured with a vote to be taken as soon as possible.

## Standing Committees:

- 19. Distinguished Achievement Awards. Mick Holm will get information from Bill Johnson and add Graduate Student Award as a new award to be given from this committee.
- 20. Electronic Communications. Glenn Nice. No report.
- 21. Fellow Award. Mike Owen. No report. Dain Bruns brought up the discussion on the number of Fellows to be awarded. By Board consensus, if the number ends up being a fractional amount, the number should always be rounded up.
- 22. Finance, Steering, and Policy. Christy Sprague reported that the committee recommended that a resolution be written and approved by the board in order for Phil to open an account in Las Cruces, NM on behalf of the North Central Weed Science Society. Motion passed. Additionally, it was discussed to have Christy Sprague (Secretary-Treasurer) as another authorized person on these accounts. Phil will speak to the banks in Las Cruses on how this can be handled. There was also some discussion on if the stipends for the Web administrator, Editors, and Secretary-Treasurer need to be increased. There was a suggestion to ask the other societies on what their stipends for these positions are. Harelene Hatterman-Valenti was reelected as the Vice Chair of this committee.
- 23. Future Site Selection. Charles Slack. No report.

- 24. Local Arrangements. John Wollam reported that he really enjoys this meeting and it looks like everything is all set for next year's meeting in Lexington, KY. The time boxes will be sent to Phil Banks. The poster boards and easels will be heading to Lexington, KY. John indicated that next year several people from Bayer and Syngenta will help Charlie Slack for local arrangements. John is willing to act as the local arrangements chair again in the future. Chris Boerboom commended John and his committee on a job well done. A meeting to debrief about this year's meeting will take place tomorrow at 11:30 a.m.
- 25. Nominating. Jeff Gunsolus. No report.
- 26. Program. Mark Wrucke. Mark would like to set up a conference call to brainstorm ideas for next year's symposia.
- 27. Resolutions and Necrology. Pat Tranel had forwarded the resolutions to Christy Sprague prior to this meeting. Christy read the resolutions as follows:

## NCWSS Resolutions for 2009 Resolutions and Necrology Committee Patrick Tranel, Chair

- 1. **RESOLUTION ON:** The Hotel Meeting Facility for the 64th Annual Meeting of the North Central Weed Science Society.
  - **WHEREAS** the North Central Weed Science Society requires adequate facilities and lodging in order to conduct the business and program of the Society at the Annual Meeting; and
  - WHEREAS the meeting rooms and facilities of the Hyatt Regency Crown Center of Kansas City, MO provided an excellent and spacious meeting environment; and
  - **WHEREAS** the staff and management of the Hyatt Regency Crown Center of Kansas City, MO were helpful and cooperative in fulfilling the needs of the Society for a successful Annual Meeting;
  - **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the North Central Weed Science Society in session at Kansas City, MO, December 7-10, 2009 for the 64th Annual Meeting commends the Hyatt Regency Crown Center management and staff for their outstanding efforts in providing the Society with excellent meeting facilities and arrangements.
- 2. **RESOLUTION ON:** Local Arrangements Committee for the 64th Annual Meeting of the North Central Weed Science Society.
  - **WHEREAS** the North Central Weed Science Society relies upon the effort and diligence of the Local Arrangements Committee for arranging suitable facilities for the Annual Meeting; and
  - WHEREAS a diligent and well organized Local Arrangements Committee is crucial to the conduct of a successful Annual meeting; and
  - **WHEREAS** Chair John Wollam and other members of the Local Arrangements Committee have fulfilled all their responsibilities in an exemplary manner;
  - **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the North Central Weed Science Society in session at Kansas City, MO, December 7-10, 2009 for the 64th Annual Meeting commends John Wollam and the Local Arrangements Committee for their outstanding efforts in providing the Society with the excellent meeting facilities and arrangements.
- **3. RESOLUTION ON:** Graduate Student Paper and Poster Contest and Undergraduate Student Poster Judges for the 64th Annual Meeting of the North Central Weed Science Society.
  - **WHEREAS** the North Central Weed Science Society relies on voluntary contribution of time, effort, and expertise of its members selected to judge the Graduate Student Paper and Poster Contests, and Undergraduate Poster Contest; and
  - **WHEREAS** the judges selected for the Graduate Student Paper and Poster Contests, and Undergraduate Poster Contest for the 64th Annual Meeting fulfilled their obligations and responsibilities with dedication and commitment;
  - **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the North Central Weed Science Society in session at Kansas City, MO, December 7-10, 2009 for the 64th Annual Meeting commends the judges of the Graduate Student Paper and Poster Contests, and Undergraduate Poster Contest for their inputs of time, labor, and cooperation in providing the Society with well run, successful contests at this Annual Meeting.
- 4. **RESOLUTION ON:** The North Central Collegiate Weed Science Contest.
  - **WHEREAS** the North Central Collegiate Weed Science Contest requires adequate facilities in order to conduct the contest in an orderly and educational manner; and

- WHEREAS the facilities at ABG AG Services near Sheridan, IN provided an excellent environment; andWHEREAS the Summer Contest Host Fritz Koppatschek, Contest Coordinator Jay Dewesse, and the staff of ABG AG Services met the needs of the Society and had dedication for a successful North Central Collegiate Weed Contest;
- **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the North Central Weed Science Society in session at Kansas City, MO, December 7-10, 2009 for the 64th Annual Meeting commends Fritz Koppatschek, Jay Dewesse, and the staff of ABG AG Services for their outstanding efforts and hard work in providing the Society with an excellent facility and a well run and educational Weed Science Contest.

The resolutions were approved. There was a question on what the resolutions are used for and if they should be continued. Once the resolutions are approved they are put in the newsletter. We need to make sure that the Hyatt is recognized. The Hyatt has been impressed with the NCWSS. This year's contact was Dana Roland. Mick Holm volunteered to write a letter to the Hyatt on how impressed the NCWSS was with their facilities and staff. This letter will include the Resolution from the Society.

- 28. Invasive Plants. Mark Renz was not able to attend. The probability of Midwest Invasive Plants Network (MIPN) involvement in the Lexington meeting is low because it falls outside their region. We are more likely to have involvement from MIPN on the following year in Milwaukee.
- 29. Regional Director's Reports. No reports.
- 30. Old Business. None.
- 31. New Business. There will not be an undergraduate contest winner from the summer contest, because of the change to a Summer School this year. This student normally gets the Hyatt Award. A suggestion was brought up to have an undergraduate essay contest for the Hyatt Award. The essay could be on a summer internship. The Resident Education Committee is charged with developing a process for undergraduate essay contest for Hyatt Undergraduate Award. Christy Sprague made this motion; Harlene Hatterman-Valenti seconded this motion. The motion passed.

The Summer School in Wisconsin meets July 27<sup>th</sup> through 29<sup>th</sup>. The Executive Board Meeting will be on July 29<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

An idea was brought up from the membership to potentially reduce rates for retirees to try to get more involvement from retired members. There was some thought that we need to talk to some of the individuals on what may bring them to a meeting. This was an open ended suggestion.

Christy Sprague's goal is to have the MOP emailed to individual committee chairs to examine their sections by January 15, 2010. Once everything is back a 30-day ballot will be emailed to the Board to approve the changes to the MOP.

There was a question on whether the Summer Executive Board Meeting should be expanded to the full board. It was brought up that this meeting is open to everyone.

32. Adjourn. Motion was made to adjourn by Christy Sprague, Harlene Hatterman-Valenti seconded the motion the meeting ended at 9:29 p.m.

## NORTH CENTRAL WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY 2010 BUDGET

INCOME	2009 Budget	2009 Actual	2010 Budget
Program Services			
Membership Dues	\$13,400	\$12,680	\$12,600
Sustaining Membership	14,700	13,212	14,000
Investment Income	14,000	9,700	5,000
Miscellaneous		50	
Total	\$42,100	\$35,582	\$31,600
PUBLICATIONS			
Proceedings	\$10,300	\$10,978	\$10,000
Weed DVD		560	
Illustrated Weed Seed			
Total	\$10,300	\$11,538	\$10,000
ANNUAL MEETING			
Registration	\$63,000	<u>\$69,151</u>	<u>\$63,000</u>
Total	\$63,000	\$69,151	\$63,000
TOTAL INCOME	\$115,400	\$116,271	\$104,600
EXPENSES			
Program Services			
Telephone	\$ 600	\$ 603	\$ 0
Postage	200	501	500
Insurance, Legal & Audit	2,300	2,300	2,300
Office Supplies	100	199	500
Newsletter	750	750	750
Newsletter Editor stipen	750	750	750
Web Administrator	500	500	500
Organization Dues	650	679	1,500
General Printing	250	54	250
Weed Contest	8,500	7,000	8,500
Travel	3,500	2,343	5,000
Management Fee	22,000	22,000	20,000
Stipend-Secretary/Treasurer	750	750	750
Central U.S. Weed ID Book	8,000	8,000	3,000
WSSA Science Director	16,000	16,000	16,000
MIPN and Ag Network	• • • • •		1,000
Miscellaneous	2,000	1,497	2,000
Total	\$66,850	\$63,926	\$63,300
PUBLICATIONS			
Proceedings	\$2,700	\$2,523	\$2,700
Stipen - Proceedings Editor	750	750	750
Total	\$3,450	\$3,273	\$3,450
ANNUAL MEETING			
Annual Meeting Expenses	<u>\$48,000</u>	<u>\$41,518</u>	<u>\$48,000</u>
Total	\$48,000	\$41,518	\$48,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$118,300	\$108,717	\$114,750
Gain (Loss)	\$ (2,900)	\$ 7,554	(\$10,150)