

NCWSS Board Meeting Minutes 66th Annual Meeting of the NCWSS Managers Suite (3rd Floor) Hyatt Regency Milwaukee December 14, 2011

- 1. Call to Order. President Bryan Young called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
- 2. Roll Call by Secretary-Treasurer Christy Sprague. NCWSS Board members present included: B. Young, D. Johnson, J.D. Green, C. Sprague, B. Hartzler, H. Hatterman-Valenti, M. Bernards, D. Rathmann, M. Wrucke, P. Banks, B. Jenks, D. Refsell, F. Koppatschek, C. Ferguson, D. Thomas, and L. Sandell. Quorum. Additional attendees were B. Kappler.
- 3. President's Report. President Bryan Young is collecting information from the different committees on membership, who was elected vice-chair, and symposia ideas.
- 4. President-Elect's Report. President-Elect David Johnson has been taking periodic headcounts for attendance in the different sections to appropriate room sizes for next year's meeting. It was suggested that there be a smaller room for the Horticulture section next year. It was also suggested not to have anything compete with the "What's New in Industry" session. Next year there may be more flexibility in the venue. There were several time and venue constraints with this year's program. Bryan Young mentioned that it will be important to improve communication with the Resident Education committee next year to give them a heads up what students are in the contest. Brady Kappler indicated that the Resident Education committee will need to send an email to the graduate students that are entered in the contest and what is expected. Mark Wrucke indicated that there is an option in the title submission website for emails to be sent different participants the Resident Education committee may want to use this to send out emails. Phil Banks confirmed this option.
- 5. Vice President's Report. Vice President J.D. Green. No report.
- 6. Past President's Report. Past President Mark Wrucke thanked Bryan Young for all his work on the program.
- 7. Secretary-Treasurer's Report. Christy Sprague presented the proposed budget. There were some amendments and corrections to the budget Appendix A. Harlene Hatterman-Valenti moved to approve the 2012 NCWSS Budget and J.D. Green provided a second. *Motion Passed*.
- 8. Proceedings Editor's Report. Bob Hartzler has questioned the role of the Proceedings Editor with the new system. It was suggested that Bob's role now as the editor should be to edit the abstracts. Phil Banks indicated that what we really need to do is link the NCWSS site to the WSSA title site. Bryan Young, David Johnson, and Phil Banks will work with Bob on the editor's duties. The pdf only needs to be generated for Curran and Associates for their selling of the printed proceedings. There was a question on whether abstracts could be revised after the submission date. Bob indicated that if anyone needs to submit something late to contact him and it should be ok.
- 9. Communications Editor's Report. Harlene Hatterman-Valenti. No report.
- 10. WSSA Representative's Report. Mark Bernards. No report
- 11. CAST Representative's Report. Duane Rathmann indicated that the NCWSS investment in CAST is extremely important. CAST gives us a voice on a national level. Duane would like to have a group funnel

ideas to him for CAST, possibly the Strategic Planning Committee. Bryan Young suggested weed resistance as a potential topic for CAST. The topic of registration for CAST membership as an option with NCWSS registration was brought up again. Phil Banks indicated that there is probably a way to get this done in the future.

- 12. Executive Secretary's Report. Phil Banks reported that there were no issues with meeting registrations or with the hotel. The Local Arrangements Committee and chair Mick Holm did a fabulous job. This year there were 33 walk-in registrations for a total of 355 attendees. This was six fewer than last year. The Invasive weed groups had 156 people register with 19 walk-in registrations. Phil expects a few more walk-ins tomorrow. There was some discussion on the Awards luncheon, Phil guaranteed 300, the hotel seated the room for 312 and there were approximately 35 empty seats. Phil indicated that approximately 85% of registered attendees are attending the banquet.
- 13. Director of Science Policy. Lee VanWychen was not in attendance.

Interest Group Committees:

- 14. Strategic Planning Committee. Brian Jenks is the new chair for the Strategic Planning Committee, Bruce Ackley is the vice-chair. Lowell Sandell was elected the Western Region representative. Some states have not held elections yet. Brian Jenks will work with the current state directors on elections for the new directors. The Strategic Planning Committee discussed recording of presentations and are going to wait and see how the Giant Ragweed symposium works. There was a question on if the presentations and posters are posted on the website is this considered a publication prohibiting future publication. The Strategic Planning Committee is going to see how this is handled for the ASA meetings and issues of publication. Phil Banks indicated that the consent form may need to be changed right now that the presentation could be downloaded for educational purposes. There are a lot of details that need to be explored. The committee also discussed a quiz bowl for graduate students and they indicated that more homework needs to be done. The Strategic Planning committee is trying to do a better job on promoting nominations for Fellow and Distinguished Achievement Awards. The perceptions of the committee members need to be changed. This is the most important committee in the NCWSS. We need to stress this to the membership and the committee. This committee shapes the future directions of the NCWSS. Phil Banks can provide emails addresses for each state to the different committee members upon request.
- 15. Extension Committee. No one in attendance. No report.
- 16. Industry Committee. Dawn Refsell. No report.
- 17. Resident Education Committee. Fritz Koppatschek indicated that the NCWSS Summer Student Weed Contest will be on August 9th at Diamond Ag in Larned, KS. There will be an invitation to neighboring states in the other societies if they would like to attend. The committee is still looking for a location for 2013. The Essay Contest subcommittee will be looking at ways to increase undergraduate participation at the NCWSS Annual meeting. This committee will be known as the Undergraduate Involvement subcommittee. Eric Scherder will be heading that charge and will hopefully have something by the summer board meeting. A question was raised on judging papers. Should there be some break between the papers so judges have some time to fill out the evaluation forms. It would be best to have between 6-8 contestants per section. One suggestion would be to try to have every other paper for the different judges. There is the need to send out some information to participants on criteria for judging. There was also the questions on the NCWSS notebooks, is there a place on the NCWSS website where these could be housed electronically. Phil Banks indicated that these notebooks could be archived on the NCWSS website.
- 18. Graduate Student Committee. Connor Fergusson is the chair and Ashley Schlichenmayer is the vice chair. Over 50 people attended the Graduate Student luncheon sponsored by Dow AgroSciences. Connor

indicated that the graduate students had some positive discussion on the quiz bowl, as long as it was a team event.

Standing Committees:

- 19. Distinguished Achievement Awards. Mark Wrucke indicated that he would make it a priority to use the state directors for nominations for the DAA including the Outstanding Graduate Student Award.
- 20. Fellow Award. Dain Bruns was not in attendance. No report.
- 21. Finance, Steering, and Policy. Christy Sprague reported that the committee looked over the NCWSS finances and budget and things looked in good shape. The committee concurred with Phil Bank's recommendations to pull money out of the Merrill Lynch investments and put in short term CDs until the investment rates improve. It was discussed that the books be audited by an outside firm at the end of Phil's contract.
- 22. Future Site Selection. Charles Slack covered suggestions for 2014 at Monday's meeting.
- 23. Invasive Plants. Steve Young is the chair and was not in attendance. However, they discussed topics for symposia and would likely need a room to hold 100 people.
- 24. Local Arrangements. No report. Again Mick Holm and his committee were commended on an outstanding job.
- 25. Nominating. Gary Finn is the chair and Bernie Zandstra is the vice chair.
- 26. Program. David Johnson suggested a catch all section and may be renaming to non-crop. It was indicated to David that there is flexibility to the program chair from year to year on the different sections. David has a number of different ideas for symposia next year.
- 27. Resolutions and Necrology. It was reported that in the program that asterisks are needed next to Edward Stroube and John D. Furrer under the NCWSS President section.

NCWSS Resolutions for 2011

- 1. **RESOLUTION ON**: The 2011 Weed Olympics.
 - **WHEREAS** the North Central Weed Science Society requires adequate facilities in order to facilitate the learning of North Central Weed Science Society student members; and
 - **WHEREAS** the facilities at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, TN provided an excellent environment; and
 - **WHEREAS** the Weed Olympics hosts Dr. Greg Armel, Dr. Jim Brosnan, and the staff and volunteers from the University of Tennessee, met the needs of the Society and had dedication for a successful contest;
 - **THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the North Central Weed Science Society in session at Milwaukee, WI, December 12–15, 2011 for the 66th Annual Meeting commends Dr. Greg Armel, Dr. Jim Brosnan, and the University of Tennessee for their outstanding efforts and hard work in providing the Society with an excellent facility and a well-run and educational Weed Olympics.
- 2. **RESOLUTION ON**: The Hotel Meeting Facility for the 66th 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 Milwaukee of Milwaukee, WI provided an excellent and spacious meeting environment; and
- **WHEREAS** the staff and management of the Hyatt Regency Milwaukee of Milwaukee, WI were helpful and cooperative in fulfilling the needs of the Society for a successful Annual meeting;
- **THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the North Central Weed Science Society in session at Milwaukee, WI, December 12–15, 2011 for the 66th Annual Meeting commends the Hyatt Regency Milwaukee management and staff for their outstanding efforts in providing the Society with excellent meeting facilities and arrangements.
- 3. **RESOLUTION ON:** Local Arrangements Committee for the 66th 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 Mick Holm 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 Milwaukee, WI, December 12–15, 2011 for the 66th Annual Meeting commends Mick Holm and the Local Arrangements Committee for their outstanding efforts in providing the Society with the excellent meeting facilities and arrangements.
- 4. **RESOLUTION ON:** Graduate Student Paper and Poster Contest and Undergraduate Student Poster Judges for the 66th 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 66th 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 Milwaukee, WI, December 12–15, 2011 for the 66th 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.

David Johnson moved to accept the Resolutions from the 66th NCWSS Annual Meeting. Mark Wrucke provided a second. *Motion Passed*.

- 28. Regional Director's Reports. No reports.
- 29. Old Business: At the Monday board meeting there was a suggestion that a Working Group be focusing on giant ragweed. This group has been charged with developing a proposal for the board.
- 30. New Business. There was some discussion on meeting date for the NCWSS Executive Committee for this summer; early June would be best time for program planning. A doodle poll on will be sent. The meeting will be in St. Louis, MO the Local Arrangements chair and a representative from the Hyatt need to be available. There was also a question on whether MPIN may want to pair up with NCWSS in Columbus in 2013.
- 31. Adjourn. Christy Sprague moved to adjourn at 9:35 pm. David Johnson provided a second. *Motion Passed*.

APPENDIX A:

NORTH CENTRAL WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY 2012 BUDGET

2012 BUDGET			
	2011	2011	2012
INCOME	Budget	Actual	Budget
Program Services			
Membership Dues	\$14,000	\$ 14,700	\$ 14,000
Sustaining Membership	14,500	13,750	14,000
Investment Income	4,000	4,015	2,500
Miscellaneous			
Total	\$32,500	\$ 32,465	\$30,500
PUBLICATIONS			
Proceedings	\$2,000	\$ 255	\$ 500
Weed DVD	0	0	\$4,000
Weeds of Midwest & Canada	1,500	1,060	\$1,000
Total	\$3,500	\$ 1,315	\$ 5,500
ANNUAL MEETING	Ψ3,300	Ψ 1,515	ψ 5,500
Registration	\$69,450	\$67,292	\$ 68,000
Total	\$69,450 \$69,450	\$67,292	\$ 68,000
TOTAL INCOME	\$105,450	\$101,072	\$104,000
EXPENSES			
Program Services			
Postage	\$ 300	44	\$ 50
Insurance, Legal & Audit	1015	1938	\$ 1500
Office Supplies	100	220	\$ 200
Newsletter Newsletter	750	750	\$ 750
Newsletter Editor stipen	750	750	\$ 750
Web Administrator	4,000	4,000	\$ 4,000
Organization Dues (CAST)	1,500	1,500	\$ 1,500
Weed Contest	8,500	7,500	\$ 8,500
Travel	5,000	4,880	\$ 5,000
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Management Fee			\$20,000
Stipend-Secretary/Treasurer	750 12.263	750	\$ 750
WSSA Science Director	12,263	12,263	\$12,263
New website design	5,500	5,500	\$ 0
Miscellaneous (mainly Herb. Res. Tour)	2,000	2,371	\$ 2,000
Total	\$62,428	\$62,466	\$57,263
PUBLICATIONS			
Proceedings	\$ 0	36	\$ 0
Stipend - Proceedings Editor	750	750	\$ 750
Total	\$750	\$ 786	\$ 750
ANNUAL MEETING			
Annual Meeting Expenses	\$48,000	\$36,892	\$45,000
Total	\$48,000	\$36,892	\$45,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$48,000 \$111,178	\$100,144	\$103,000
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Gain (Loss)	(\$ 5,728)	\$ 928	\$ 987