

NCWSS Board of Directors Meeting  
Radisson Hotel Saint Paul  
St. Paul, MN  
1:00 p.m., December 7, 1998

1. Call to Order. President Doug Buhler presiding.
2. Roll call by Secretary-Treasurer. Quorum present.  
Board members present: D. Buhler, P. Orwick, J. Kells, C. Boerboom, M. Ross, M. Horak, M. Barrett, D. Peterson, T. Peters, B. Miller, R. Schmidt, M. Hickman, J. Retzinger, P. Stahlman, J. Martin, C. Holen, G. Gogan, K. Carlson, T. Gregoire, P. Sprankle, A. McMahon, M. Reidy, D. Voss, J. Baldock, S. Miller, B. Johnson, B. Ramsdale, V. Ulstad, A. Dobbels, C. Thompson.
3. Minutes. The minutes were presented by the Secretary-Treasurer. P. Orwick moved the minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by T. Peters and the motion passed.
4. Executive Secretary's Report. R. Schmidt gave the report and noted that member preregistration would be about 400 and final attendance between 650 and 700 for the 1998 annual meeting as compared to figures listed in the report. There are still about 175 copies of *Illustrated Taxonomy Manual of Weed Seeds* available for sale. D. Buhler decided to assign a committee to develop a new marketing plan for the text.
5. Finance, Steering & Policy Committee Report. C. Boerboom gave the report. After the report, M. Hickman questioned the need for a two fold financial reserve. C. Boerboom announced that the policy on the reserve would be discussed at the committee meeting on the next day. All Directors were welcomed to attend.
6. Proceedings Editors. M. Ross gave the report and announced that a new Proceedings Editor will need to be elected in December 1999. M. Ross will serve as editor for the Proceedings of the 1999 NCWSS annual meeting.
7. Newsletter Editor. M. Horak gave the report. The last two newsletters have also been posted on the NCWSS website.
8. Research Report Editor. M. Barrett gave the report and recommended a CD format for future volumes of the Research Report.
9. WSSA Representative. D. Peterson gave the report. D. Buhler provided an update on the funding for the Washington liaison position where the NCWSS has proposed to contribute \$14,000, which is a value midway between twice the previous funding of AESOP (\$6,000) and the sum of previous funding of AESOP and the Congressional Science Fellow (\$10,000). D. Buhler has also requested a memorandum of understanding to formalize the arrangement with WSSA and improve the communication with the liaison.

J. Retzinger reported that industry has been requesting research exemptions to the Worker Protection Standard. The proposal has been submitted to the EPA for two to three years and has been assigned to a working group.

10. CAST Representative. T. Peters gave the report. R. Schmidt noted that the CAST dues should be based on full members, excluding students.
11. Constitution & Operating Procedures. W. Lueschen gave the report.
12. Fellow Awards. K. Carlson gave the report. P. Ogg and J. Worthington were elected Fellows. K. Carlson will review the MOP on nomination rules for Fellows to determine if the process can be streamlined to encourage more nominations. The committee has authority to make minor changes in the rules.
13. Distinguished Achievement Awards. B. Miller reported that committee selections were: Research Award, Ronald F. Krausz; Service Award, James R. Martin; and Industry Award, Randy Lloyd. He also indicated that dissatisfaction exists with the name of the Technical Support Award. Discussion ensued on alternative names. The committee will review names and seek additional input. P. Orwick also questioned if the nomination process was for these awards is burdensome, but D. Buhler suggested more detail is required as compared to the Fellow nominations. J. Kells suggested the committee request letters of intent for nominations earlier in the year to encourage preparation of nominations before the deadline. M. Barrett also suggested that state Directors could review members in their states for potential nominees.
14. Legislative Information. L. Cobia gave the report.
15. Local Arrangements Committee-St. Paul. Z. Fore gave the report.
16. Local Arrangements-Columbus-1999. M. Loux reported that arrangements are proceeding.
17. Future Meeting Sites. C. Slack gave the report. The committee proposed the 2001 meeting be held from December 9 to 14 in the Milwaukee Hyatt Regency with J. Doll serving as the Local Arrangement Chair. P. Stahlman moved to approve the committee's recommendation. The motion was seconded by J. Kells and the motion passed. The committee will also consider St. Louis for the 2002 meeting.
18. Program Committee. P. Orwick gave the report. P. Orwick also noted that poster and paper authors will have abstracts available at the sessions and in the Abstract room. There will also be 3.5 continuing education units for each of the two symposia.

19. Publicity & Public Relations. J. Kells reported that paper and poster authors have been requested to provide a copy of their abstract to the Press Release room, which will maintain a master set of abstracts for copying. The farm media in the St. Paul vicinity have also been contacted and invited to attend the annual meeting.
20. Nominating Committee. R. Becker gave the report. P. Orwick moved to conduct a voice vote for the NCWSS Vice President. M. Barrett seconded the motion and the motion passed. P. Orwick moved to approve the committee's nomination of D. Rathmann as Vice President. S. Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed. A paper ballot was held to elect the WSSA Representative and K. Harrison was elected. Considerable discussion ensued on one proposal presented for the Research Report Editor. The committee will review the comments and bring additional ideas to the next Board meeting.
21. Resolutions & Necrology Committee. K. Thorness gave the report.
22. Resident Education. C. Thompson gave the report.
23. Graduate Student Report. B. Ramsdale gave the report.
24. Extension. B. Johnson gave the report.
25. Industry. V. Ulstad gave the report.
26. Research & Publications. A. Dobbels gave the report.
27. Computer. D. Buhler reported that B. Pringnitz has created a web site for the NCWSS and suggested a stipend may be appropriate for the editor of the web site to maintain activity on the site. M. Barrett moved that a \$500 stipend be allocated to the web editor for web development and maintenance. M. Hickman seconded the motion and the motion passed.
28. Long Range Planning & Organizational Affairs. B. Miller gave the report and distributed a one page letter to use when recruiting sustaining members for the Board to review. J. Kells noted that sustaining member dues were last adjusted about seven years ago. V. Ulstad suggested state Directors should review their state membership for potential new sustaining members.
29. Herbicide Resistance. J. Retzinger gave the report.
30. Old Business. D. Buhler reported that the business service contract with R. Schmidt was revised. The primary revision was that R. Schmidt will have a person available to provide meeting services if necessary.
31. New Business. J. Kells distributed a paper copy of two versions of a new NCWSS logo. P. Orwick moved that the Board vote to accept a new logo today. M. Horak seconded the motion and the motion passed. The version of the logo illustrated on the right side of the page was selected by a paper ballot.

D. Buhler provided background on whether Alberta and Manitoba should maintain membership on the Board. He was not able to contact the last Director of Manitoba and the Director from Alberta has not responded on their membership intentions. Currently, there are only two or three members from these provinces. It was stated that if these provinces do not have Board membership,

individuals from the provinces can still be members of the NCWSS. M. Barrett moved to hold a 30-day ballot to remove Alberta and Manitoba as members of the NCWSS Board of Directors. S. Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.

D. Buhler provided background information on an invasive weed film being produced by Vemeer Productions. They are seeking financial support from NCWSS and would list the Society in the film's credits. The Board requested more information before making a decision.

M. Horak requested input on who should have access to an e-mail list of NCWSS membership list. J. Retzinger suggested that Board members could use the list to access members in their state. B. Pringnitz will establish an e-mail listing of NCWSS members and also requested a policy on items to be posted on the NCWSS web site.

32. Adjourn. 5:08 p.m. M. Barrett moved to adjourn, seconded by D. Peterson. Motion passed.