

NCWSS Board of Directors Meeting
Radisson Hotel Saint Paul
St. Paul, MN
8:50 p.m., December 9, 1998

1. Call to Order. President Phil Orwick presiding.
2. Roll call by Secretary-Treasurer. Quorum present.
Board members present: P. Orwick, J. Kells, D. Rathmann, C. Boerboom, M. Ross, M. Horak, B. Young, K. Harrison, T. Peters, D. Buhler, R. Schmidt, R. Krausz, M. Hickman, J. Retzinger, J. Fenderson, J. Martin, J. Kaufmann, C. Holen, G. Gogan, D. Ebke, T. Gregoire, P. Sprankle, A. McMahon, M. Reidy, D. Voss, R. Proost, S. Miller, B. Johnson, K. Bjork, B. Peterson, J. Baldock, M. Obermeier, R. Lloyd.
3. Executive Secretary's Report. R. Schmidt reported the 1998 meeting had a total registration of 649 compared to 657 registrations in 1997. There were 379 attending the banquet.
4. Finance, Steering & Policy Committee Report. D. Buhler provided more information on the invasive weed film. The producer has funding, but is seeking more funding to increase the film's distribution. There were questions on the content and scientific advising of the film's content. D. Buhler moved that we allocate \$500 toward the film so that NCWSS will appear in the film's credits. M. Hickman seconded the motion and the motion passed. C. Boerboom reviewed the proposed 1999 budget and moved to approve the proposed budget with the amendment of adding \$500 for a web editor and \$500 for the film. D. Buhler seconded the motion and the motion passed.

C. Boerboom reported on the committee's discussion on the NCWSS's financial reserve and moved to have a 30-day ballot to change the MOP to read "The NCWSS shall maintain a financial reserve of at least twice the annual operating expenses. D. Buhler seconded the motion and the motion passed. After discussion on which year's annual operating expense should be used in determining the reserve level and the consequence of not maintaining an adequate reserve level, M. Horak moved to rescind the previous motion. S. Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed.
5. Proceedings Editors. No report.
6. Newsletter Editor. No report.
7. Research Report Editor. P. Orwick opened the floor for nominations for editor. R. Krausz nominated B. Young and B. Johnson seconded the nomination. Nominations closed and B. Young was elected. R. Krausz moved that up to \$500 be allocated for the previous editor to travel to and lodge at Southern Illinois University to assist the new editor. D. Voss seconded the motion and the motion passed.
8. WSSA Representative. No report.
9. CAST Representative. No report.
10. Constitution & Operating Procedures. No report.
11. Fellow Awards. No report.

12. Distinguished Achievement Awards. J. Kells questioned if a letter of intent and simplification of procedures would improve motivation for those preparing nomination packages. K. Carlson plans to evaluate the procedure after the meeting. B. Miller presented alternative names for the Technical Support Award. S. Miller moved to change the award's name to Professional Staff Award. T. Peters seconded the motion and the motion passed. W. Lueschen will make minor changes to the MOP regarding eligibility for this award to state that nominees or their supervisors must be NCWSS members for at least five years.
13. Legislative Information. P. Orwick noted that an offer was made to R. Hedberg for the Washington liaison position.
14. Local Arrangements Committee-St. Paul. D. Rathmann is seeking feedback on the meeting. P. Orwick thanked D. Rathmann and Z. Fore for the excellent meeting arrangements and their activities.
15. Local Arrangements-Columbus-1999. No report.
16. Future Meeting Sites. C. Slack reported that a contract will be arranged with the Hyatt Regency in Milwaukee for Dec. 9-14, 2001, J. Doll will be the LAC chair, and the committee is considering St. Louis for 2002.
17. Program Committee. P. Orwick reported the 1998 meeting had an excellent poster session and two good symposia so far. C. Holen suggested the program brochure include a table of BAYER codes.
18. Publicity & Public Relations. J. Kells reported that they were not able to collect all of the abstracts for the Press Room. However, no press visited the Press Room. Several positive comments were made about having abstracts available at the sessions. Additional copies are needed of some abstracts and a separate table for abstracts in the meeting room would be beneficial.
19. Nominating Committee. No report.
20. Career Placement. R. Proost noted that many individuals visited the Placement Room seeking positions.
21. Membership. No report.
22. Regional Publications. B. Johnson reported that the responsibilities of the Regional Publications Committee will be combined with the Extension Committee whereby the vice chair of the Extension Committee will assume the responsibilities for regional publications.
23. Resolutions & Necrology Committee. No report.
24. Resident Education. R. Lloyd reported the summer contests for 1999 will be hosted by Agri-Growth in Hollandale, MN, 2000 by Bayer, 2001 by Monsanto in Monmouth, IL, and 2002 by Dow in Oxford, IN. At the 1998 meeting, there were 53 papers and 27 posters in the graduate student contests. R. Lloyd requested that the length of presentations in the Graduate Student Paper Contest be changed to 10 to 13 minutes in the MOP as a minor rule change.
25. Graduate Student Report. No report.

26. Extension. B. Johnson reported that R. Krausz will be the new chair.
27. Industry. B. Peterson reported that the committee will update the herbicide list in the program annually. Questions arose on why some sustaining member were not listed on the program and R. Schmidt explained the invoicing cycle for sustaining member dues and that some invoices are not paid. It was suggested that the Industry Committee Chair could monitor who the industry contact is and if they have paid their membership dues.
28. Regulatory and Crop Consultants. J. Baldock proposed that a symposium be held on FQPA. It was discussed on how to get consultants to attend the Columbus meeting and if international CEUs count toward CEU requirements in each state. P. Orwick stated that the CEUs available at this meeting should apply in any state.
29. Research & Publications. M. Obermeier stated the new vice chair was J. Young. Discussion ensued on the value and necessity of the Research Progress Report. R. Krausz moved that a survey be conducted to determine answers to these questions and review the survey at next year's meeting, which was seconded by J. Baldock. The ensuing discussion included options of creating a database and of having a Director of Publications instead of individual editors (this would alter Board membership significantly) before the motion passed. The survey, conducted via e-mail and newsletter, will be coordinated by M. Obermeier, B. Young, and M. Horak. B. Young announced that the Research Report will be published in a paper format next year.
30. Computer. B. Pringnitz questioned who should be responsible for web site policy as the computer committee may not want this role. As Newsletter Editor, M. Horak will assist B. Pringnitz on web site decisions for the next year. J. Kells suggested that paper and poster titles could be submitted through the web site. B. Pringnitz noted that it would be difficult to submit full abstracts through the web because of formatting issues.
31. Long Range Planning & Organizational Affairs. B. Miller reviewed the proposed categories for sustaining member dues. B. Miller will review WSSA's letter describing benefits to sustaining members and will incorporate changes to his letter by the summer meeting. S. Miller moved to approve the sustaining member dues recommended in the Long Range Planning Committee's report (\$1,000 for members with sales over \$100 million, \$500 for members with sales from \$10 to 100 million, and \$250 for members with sales less than \$10 million). The motion was seconded by M. Ross and the motion passed. The new sustaining member dues become effective in 2000. P. Orwick assigned the committee the task of reviewing NCWSS's publications and accompanying organizational structure including the newsletter, web site, and potential for a director of publications.
32. Herbicide Resistance. No report.
33. Old Business. None.
34. New Business. J. Kells requested suggestions for a theme and symposia for next year's meeting. J. Kells questioned if the society is ready to switch to computer projectors for paper presentations. The board gave a resounding negative response because of cost, time to switch computers or files, image clarity, and memory and scanning requirements.

N. Balke provided background on a proposed distance education course on herbicide physiology to serve the society, universities, and potentially the industry. The Resident Education Committee had passed a motion to support the concept. To conduct survey and development efforts of the course on

a web site, N. Balke requested one-time funding of \$1,000. Discussion occurred on identification of collaborators from other universities, course registration and credits, and if the NCWSS is the appropriate source of development funds. M. Ross moved to approve the \$1,000 request to support development of a web-based herbicide physiology course. The motion was seconded by M. Hickman, but the motion failed.

35. Adjourn. 11:10 p.m. D. Rathmann moved to adjourn, seconded by J. Fenderson. Motion passed.