

NCWSS Board of Directors Meeting
Holiday Inn and Conference Center
Austin, MN
1:00 p.m., July 21, 1999

1. Call to Order. President P. Orwick Presiding.
2. Roll Call by Secretary Treasurer. Quorum present.
Board members present: P. Orwick, J. Kells, D. Rathmann, C. Boerboom, T. Peters, D. Buhler, R. Schmidt, and R. Lloyd.
3. Agenda. P. Orwick added the topic of site selection to the proposed agenda. J. Kells moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by D. Buhler and the motion passed.
4. Minutes of December Board Meetings. The minutes were presented and reviewed by C. Boerboom. D. Buhler moved and T. Peters seconded the motion to accept the minutes of both meetings. The motion passed.
5. Resolutions from the 1998 Annual Meeting. C. Boerboom read the resolutions.

RESOLUTION ON: Local Arrangement Committee for the 53rd Annual Meeting.

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 well-organized Local Arrangements Committee is crucial to the conduct of a successful annual meeting; and

WHEREAS Chairpersons Zack Fore and Duane Rathmann and the 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 St. Paul, MN, December 7 - 10, 1998 for the 53rd Annual Meeting commends Zack Fore and Duane Rathmann and the Local Arrangements Committee for their outstanding efforts in providing the Society with the excellent meeting facilities and arrangements.

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 the Valent Midwest Research Center in Champaign, IL provided an excellent contest environment; and

WHEREAS the Summer Contest Host and staff of the Valent Research Center in Champaign, IL met the needs of the Society and had the dedication for a successful North Central Collegiate Weed Science contest;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the North Central Weed Science Society in session at St. Paul, MN, December 7 - 10, 1998 for the 53rd Annual Meeting commends Ronald Jones and the staff of the Valent Midwest Research Center for their outstanding efforts and hard work in providing the Society with an excellent facility and a well run and educational Weed Science Contest.

RESOLUTION ON: Graduate Student paper and Poster Contest Judges for the 53rd Annual Meeting.

WHEREAS the North Central Weed Science Society relies on the voluntary contribution of time, effort and expertise of its member selected to judge the Graduate Student Paper and Poster Contests; and

WHEREAS the judges selected for the Graduate Student Paper and Poster Contest for the 53rd 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 St. Paul, MN, December 7 - 10, 1998 for the 53rd Annual Meeting commends the judges of the Graduate Student Paper and Poster Contest for their inputs of time, effort, and cooperation in providing the Society with well run, successful contests at this Annual Meeting.

RESOLUTION ON: The Hotel Meeting Facilities for the 53rd Annual Meeting of the North Central Weed Science Society.

WHEREAS the North Central Weed Science 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 Radisson Hotel of St. Paul, MN provided an excellent and spacious meeting environment; and

WHEREAS the staff and management of the Radisson Hotel of St. Paul, MN 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 St. Paul, MN, December 7 - 10, 1998 for the 53rd Annual Meeting commends the Radisson Hotel, its staff and management for their outstanding efforts in providing the Society with excellent meeting facilities and arrangements.

R. Lloyd moved to approve the resolutions. D. Buhler seconded the motion and the motion passed.

6. Regional Publications Committee. C. Boerboom reviewed information from the Manual of Operating Procedures which states the Regional Publication Committee is a standing committee and stated that the committee's recommendation during the December 9, 1998 Board meeting needed to be approved by a 30-day advance notice ballot. D. Buhler moved that the Board conduct a 30-day advance notice ballot to approve the elimination of the North Central Region Publication Committee as a standing committee and that the vice chair of the Extension Committee assess the need for and coordinate the publication of regional extension publications. T. Peters seconded the motion and the motion passed. C. Boerboom was requested to notify the Board of the intent of the motion, the specific changes required in the MOP, and that the vote would be conducted at the December 13, 1999 Board meeting.
7. Results of 30-day Ballot. C. Boerboom reported the ballot to approve removing Alberta and Manitoba from the NCWSS Board membership passed with all 27 votes in favor.
8. Treasurer's Report. C. Boerboom reviewed the current status of the income and expenses against the 1999 budget. Both income and expenses are near the expected levels.
9. Executive Secretary Report. R. Schmidt reported that in 1999 there was a total of 799 members, sales of 456 copies of the 1998 Proceedings, sales of 365 copies of the 1998 Research Report, and total sales of 344 copies of the weed seed manual. The final total attendance at the 1998 meeting was 664 and the meeting provided a net gain of \$22,723. R. Schmidt also reported that R&D Sprayers was sold to another owner. The previous owner of R&D Sprayers had contributed \$1,000 annually to the summer contest and will ensure that the new owner will provide this support for this summer's contest. A special effort to recognize R&D Sprayers' contribution towards the summer contest will be made in the newsletter and a thank you letter and newsletter will be sent to the new owner.
10. Summer Contest. R. Lloyd reported that 10 graduate and 7 undergraduate teams and several individuals will be competing in the North Central Collegiate Weed Science Contest for a total of 94 participants. R. Smeda will coordinate the contest next year.

11. Program Committee. J. Kells reported that the call for papers was announced and that a submission procedure via the NCWSS web site was created. The submitted title and information will be automatically forwarded to the program chair, the Proceedings Editor, and the chairs of the graduate student poster and paper contests. The theme for the program will be weed science in transition and two general session speakers will address the impact of biotechnology on weed science. There will be three symposia on forensic weed science, biology and management of weed seed banks, and the impact of biotechnology on weed science. CEUs will be requested for each of the symposia. The outline of the program schedule was distributed and reviewed. J. Kells moved that up to \$1,500 be allocated to each symposium to support travel related expenses of non-members at the discretion of the symposium chair. D. Buhler seconded the motion and the motion passed. Policy was reviewed on invited speakers and it was agreed that invited non-member speakers will receive a complementary registration and room. B. Schmidt should be notified individuals requiring complementary registration, but these individuals should make their own hotel registrations.
12. WSSA and Washington Liaison. D. Buhler reported that Toronto will be an excellent site for the next WSSA meeting. WSSA is still analyzing its business management arrangements with Allen Management, but is pleased with Allen Press for its publications. A memorandum of understanding is still being discussed with WSSA in regards to the Washington liaison. The liaison, R. Hedberg, is focusing his activities on FQPA, invasive species, a research exemption for WPS, and biotechnology issues. Hedberg can spend up to 20% of his time lobbying without registering as a lobbyist, but the Societies do not want him to become a lobbyist. Problems with the WSSA directory are being corrected. WSSA may publish a weed science calendar using contest photographs. WSSA membership is steady, but the number of journal subscriptions is down slightly. The change in the categories for sustaining membership has increased income, but reduced the number of members by about 25%. *Weed Science* is in the process of changing its style to use scientific names in the text rather than common names. The editor is receiving some comments about this change. The location of the 2003 WSSA meeting typically would be located in the Midwest, but attendance is often lower when the meeting is held in the Midwest. WSSA is seeking input from the region on if the meeting is held outside of the Midwest. In regards to reports from received from R. Hedberg, P. Orwick suggested that D. Rathmann, as chair of the Legislative Information Committee, have important comments and reports posted to the NCWSS web site.
13. CAST Report. T. Peters reported that CAST is still trying to achieve the proper balance between recruiting company versus individual membership. CAST has several excellent recent publications and new publications coming on topics such as IPM, non-native species, and vertical integration in agriculture. T. Peters hopes to post his CAST reports on the NCWSS web site. P. Orwick will contact M. Horak so that Horak approves items to be posted on the web site. Discussion on approving web postings led to a conclusion that the Electronic Communications Committee need to develop policy for managing the web site and continue assessing technological needs for the NCWSS. D. Buhler reported that the CAST Conversations on Change is creating a report on policies focused on membership within professional societies. Although the NCWSS membership is more stable than some of the other societies, some of the report=s recommendations may be useful to the Membership Committee.
14. Procedure for Election of Fellows. P. Orwick reviewed a streamlined nomination process submitted by K. Carlson. J. Kells suggested that the committee chairs bring the suggested revisions to the December Board meeting for approval because it will require changes to the MOP. It was expected that the revised process would be in place for 2000. D. Buhler will draft a revisions for the nomination of the Fellow and Distinguished Achievement Awards. Eligibility of Executive Committee members for the Young Scientist Distinguished Achievement Award was discussed. D. Buhler as the committee=s chair requested the president approve a minor change in the eligibility rule where the sentence AIn the situation where it is desired to nominate an Executive Committee member for the Young Weed Scientist Award, the member will be eligible, but will not be polled when the Executive Committee ratifies the DAAC recommendations.@ be added as the last sentence to the Eligibility of Nominees section in the MOP. P. Orwick approved the request.

15. Site Selection. P. Orwick reported that C. Slack is making arrangements for the 2002 meeting in St. Louis and was requesting input on whether to schedule the meeting for the first or second week of December. The second week of December creates conflicts for members who also attend the Seed Trade Association meeting. By consensus, scheduling the meeting for the first week of December was approved.
16. Other Business. P. Orwick presented a zip drive that contained a search engine and the 1997 and 1998 Research Progress Reports, which was created by B. Young. A letter from M. Obermeier was circulated that outlined a survey that will be conducted to direct the future direction of the Research Progress Report.

P. Orwick will contact E. Stoller that nominees for the Vice President and Proceedings Editor are needed for the December meeting.

J. Kells moved that conference registration fees for the 1999 meeting remain at \$125 for preregistering members, \$40 for preregistering graduate students, and \$25 for spouses and that on-site registration fees be \$150 for members and \$50 for graduate students. R. Lloyd seconded the motion and the motion passed.
17. D. Buhler moved to adjourn. D. Rathmann seconded the motion and the motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.