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Kate Counter (Meeting manger)

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John Jachetta (President Elect)

Joyce Lancaster (Executive Secretary)

Anne Legere (Member-at-Large)

Tim Miller (WSWS Representative)

Jason Norsworthy (SWSS Representative)

Mike Owen (Member-at-Large)

Peter Porpiglia (Member-at-Large)

David Shaw (President)

Peter Sikkema (CWSS Representative)

David Vitolo (In coming Secretary)

Sarah Ward (Member-at-Large)

Lee Van Wychen (Director of Science Policy)

Jason Weirich (GSO Representative)

Rich Zollinger (Secretary)

Owen moved and Jachetta seconded to approve agenda as modified. Motion passed.

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President Report - Shaw

- Presentation to EPA: Has been involved with Science Policy and collaborative work with Jill Schroeder. David gave a presentation to EPA and Crop Life Americas on weed resistance. EPA has been receptive to all contributions from WSSA input. There is concern that EPA will try to address weed resistance through regulation. It is the society's intent that EPA not create regulations in this area. There should be education material created – possibly money from EPA could be available to help develop.

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- Public Awareness Good distribution and work in this area
- NWSAW and GSO Good work in these areas. Shaw has developed several ideas and ways to increase Graduate Student awareness, membership, and funding through academia and industry.

Action Item: The PA committee and Joyce should make the WSSA membership aware when a new press release is made.

Executive Secretary's Report – Lancaster

- The report was distributed to the BOD previously and has been posted on the WSSA web site.
- Estimate a 80% renewal.
- Sustaining members Six members have signed up at the Presidential level in 2010. This is this first time with this many at this level.
- Chicago meeting change of hotel caused a higher rate to members. The settlement has been completed.
- Allen Press Operating account at current bank has problems with credit card transactions as they use a 3rd party. AP is also using US Bank that can document credit card transactions. AP will continue to use accounts at both banks. AP is converting to a more current platform for publications. AP is shifting the data base system to give a more contemporary view. New Board member training will be done on Wednesday.

Treasurer's Report – Dille

- Report has been posted on the WSSA web site.
- Goals are to continue with close tracking of finances. Dille has constant communication with Lancaster and investment advisors.
- The society has \$174,000 in cash.
- Investments information is posted on the web
- WSSA investments have recovered well in the past year.
- Endowment contribution is also up.
- Posted annual meeting summaries are for last year's meeting.
- Expenditures to watch for the next two years would be the APHIS grant.

- An audit is conducted every three years which will be additional expense for the society.

Investments Report – Dille

- The report has been posted on the web.
- The General and Endowment Funds were discussed.
- The General fund performed lower than the Endowment fund.
- Graduate student awards were increased from 5 to 8.
- The investment strategy is 12 years old.
- There was discussion of providing funds for a graduate student internship at the EPA.
- Endowment fund contribution is tax deductable

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Abstract Submission Software - Derr

- The report has been posted on the web.
- With the help of David Krueger this project has been completed. The software was used successfully for the previous NEWSS meeting. Development cost to Krueger was more than estimated. WSSA was not invoiced for those additional costs.
- Krueger will market abstract submission software to other organizations. WSSA owned software will be upgraded as new developments are made.
- The software is available to other weed science regional societies for a fee. The NCWSS expressed interest in the software for future meetings. Yearly costs to the WSSA and regional societies have not yet been determined. The NEWSS contribution to the software development was "in kind' as opposed to dollars. Future costs for development and upgrade is anticipated to be small.

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2010 Program Committee Report – Jachetta

- This is a society size experiment.
- There are unique obstacles because of the combined meeting with SRM.
- There are 23 sections and 24 symposia.
- Most abstracts are on line.
- Most everything is working but different issues because of the combined meeting with a dissimilar society.
- One point of difficulty changing of poster session each day because of the trade show.
- This 2010 meeting can be a model for future ventures in combining with other societies.

Meeting Management - Counter

- Jachetta has done an outstanding job putting this meeting together. The combined BOD is extremely appreciative of the excellent job that John has done.
- >300 registered at this time but more is expected. At least 450 registered are hoped for.
- ~ 85 graduate students registered.
- Some not coming because of WSWS going to Hawaii and other reasons (finances, WSSA overshadowed by SRM, etc).
- Future locations: Portland for 2011. July 22-25, 2010 are the dates for the summer board meeting. Hawaii in 2012, Baltimore in 2013, Possibly Canada in 2014.

Program Committee Report for 2011 – Barrett

- Tim Miller and Carol Mallory- Smith are on local arrangements committee.
- Barrett made an invitation for suggestions at this meeting.
- Discussed different ideas and speakers for Main Program.
- Possibly a 2-day BOD meeting there (Sat-Sun) to not interfere with BOD attendance at Monday committee meetings.
- There was discussion about poster authors giving a 3 minutes summary at some time during the conference.

Action Item: Encourage poster authors to have hard copies of their posters available at annual meetings.

Graduate Student Organization - Wierich

- Monsanto is sponsoring a Meyer-Briggs symposium on Sunday for graduate students followed by a social. The graduate student social will be moved to the Presidential Suite so graduate students can watch the Superbowl.
- 85 grad students are registered.
- BASF is sponsoring a meal on Tuesday (Grad Student Business meeting).
- They are seeking volunteers to man two WSSA booths (#21 and #27).

Local Arrangements - Shaner

- The report has been posted on the web.
- They met at least monthly for 2 years.
- Daily newsletters at the hotel will show room changes.
- Much of the work was done by SRM.

Publications – Anderson

- Report has been posted on the WSSA web site.
- Negotiated an amendment with Allen Press to contract for continued publication services through 2013.
- Scaled back on journal production to a schedule of 4 times per year with a 4 color cover.
- WSSA member will receive a WSSA publication once per month.

- Weed Tech. now has Spanish abstracts included. The BOD recommended that the Latin community be updated to this.

Action Item: Owen will provide information on other Latin American organizations that may be interested in Weed Tech (Spanish abstracts) to the incoming president in an attempt to increase subscriptions.

- Money has been given to symposium organizers to include waiving page charges for presenters. Anderson will request up to \$1,000 to be used for publication costs for symposium organizers. This request should be included in calls for proposal and costs should be itemized in the proposal. This may help in increase in submissions.
- BioOne will not post preprints articles.
- In 2009, Anderson requested \$2,000 to cover travel and other meetings that are associated with his responsibilities and will request another \$2,000 for the upcoming year.
- Discussion about the long turn-around time from submission to acceptance for publication is a concern. WSSA scientists may consider other journals that have a shorter turn-around time, especially if tenure and promotion is a factor. WSSA has reduced the time frame by at least half in the last few years. The lack of society members accepting the invitation to review publications prevents a shorter turn-around time. The role of Associate Editor was discussed. These subjects will be discussed at Publications board meeting. There was discussion giving Associate Reviewers authority to reject a manuscript rather than sending it out to others for review that would be rejected anyway and also accepting the manuscript if it were in excellent form. The Editor and Associate Editor could be the two reviewers for immediate acceptance or rejection. Action item: The Editor and Associate Editor serving as the two reviewers for immediate acceptance or rejection will be discussed later by the BOD.

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WSSA Foundation - Derr

- The purpose of the endowment is to fund specified projects that may be hard for the society to fund. The Committee contacted other societies to explore their foundation activities and uses as ideas for WSSA. Some societies had no differentiation between an endowment and a foundation. There was committee consensus that no entity outside WSSA is needed but to use the resources within the society (endowment). It was suggested a champion be indentified to take charge of this project - staying with a WSSA society endowment or to create an outside WSSA foundation. No one on the committee volunteered to champion this.

Action item: The BOD accepted the committee report and asked Derr to visit with the committee to identify a person that might champion the WSSA Foundation project for a future board meeting.

Review of action items, WSSA Portfolio of Projects Discussed - BOD

- There was discussion about new or current ideas and projects to identify for development as a society. The previous down economy of the country and society prevented exploring these ideas. Owen suggested university climate is still in a reduction mode which may reduce the resources to explore new ideas.

Weed resistance has not been given sufficient attention by commodity group funding sources. Economically, yield loss from weed competition is more important than other highly funded issues like soybean rust. Issues should be addressed through a holistic, multi-organizational approach than short term focus. There are examples of successful educational extension programs on a state level but not on a national level. There was a discussion of coordinated education for this topic. Some areas that the BOD discussed were weed resistance to herbicides, climate change (weed distribution change, species redistribution, carbon tradeoffs), eExtension.,

Affiliated Society Reports:

CWSS - Sikkema

Report is posted in the web.

- Combined WSSA and CWSS joint meeting in 2014 – see report.

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NCWSS – Bradley

- Report is posted on the web
- NSWSS supports CAST at this point.

SWSS -

- Report is posted on the web.
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Motion was made and approved to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 4:53 pm.

WSSA Board Meeting minutes Sunday February 7, 2010

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Allen Press - Karen Ridgeway

- Modified report is posted on the web.
- Contract is extended for another three years.
- Author revenue is down.
- Printed fewer pages in journals.
- Weed Science revenue = \$72,000.
- IPSM has 82 non member subscribers.
- Weed Science impact factor increased.
- 2010 changes = new cover for Weed Science, WSSA logo more visible, Weed Science = 4 volumes printed per year, subscribers will receive an issue each month, Weed Tech will have a Spanish abstracts.
- Marketing efforts will be similar to 2009.
- Open access is available for certain articles. It is available for purchase by author.
- Karen would be willing to waive open access fee on occasion, for a limited time span, and for very high profile articles.

Action item: Shaw requested the most up-to-date list of institutional subscribers.

IPSM Marketing plans for 2009 – Ridgeway, Janet Clark

- Report is posted on the web.
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- Comments about authors writing an interpretive summary: More work for author, could increase more visibility, increase number of citations, academics do this already as part of their evaluation, comments by BOD members were favorable.

Web Site Update – David Krueger

- Report is posted on the web.
- Some activities performed: made 93 job postings, posted 18 press releases, EPA Report, Science Policy Report, Board documents, updated list of weeds, RSS feeds, twitter link, weed quiz, and Weedapedia.
- >555,000 visits to web site and is up from 2009 (20%).
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Director of Science Policy update – Van Wychen

- Report is posted on the web.
- Herbicide Resistance Management Policy: The BOD would like to strengthen the position of mode-of-action labeling for resistant weed management with EPA.

MOP and Constitutional Changes – Whitesides

- Whitesides will have a formal report on Friday.

Awards - Derr

- Sponsors continue to be generous in support.
- Lack of nominations is still a concern. Reminders will be emailed to membership often.
- Nominations for all awards except papers awards are active the year of submission plus the two following years.

Action item: Parent Awards Committee should review the rules and instructions for all Award Committee and encourage Award Chairs to follow.

NISAW – Van Wychen, Clark

- Report is posted on the web.
- Finances are anticipated to break even.
- Web site: www.nisaw.org logo compliments of Mississippi State University.
- Van Wychen has many other responsibilities to continue leadership.
- The BOD discussed funding, strategic planning, people and entities that could help provide support, direction, and organizational efforts of NISAW (coalition).

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Weed Images, Bugwood Website - Joseph LaForest, David Krueger

- This opportunity with Bugwood has been discussed by previous BODs.
- Joe discussed history, focus, and capabilities of company. It is a grant driven company.
- Web site: <u>www.bugwood.org</u> = a warehouse of collected images of several disciplines.
- Bugwood photos are freely available but require citation of author and bugwood.
- ->116,000 pictures from 1,617 photographers
- 173 m hits in 2009.
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EPA Liaison – Schroeder

- Four quarterly reports posted on the web.
- Jill has been serving for over a year position ends in June.

- Jill asked for questions about her service with the agency – she described her role, activities, names of people she works with, including Dan Kinney, frequency of travel, schedule, some issues she has been involved with, effectiveness of efforts.

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Motion was unanimously approved.

Old Business:

- Zollinger reviewed the main items, motions and action items from the 2009 summer board meeting.

Motion was made by Owen and seconded by Norsworthy to approve the 2009 summer board meeting minutes as recorded and reviewed by Zollinger.

Motion was unanimously approved.

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Owen moved and Porpiglia second to adjourn at 3:28 Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully submitted. Rich Zollinger WSSA Secretary