

# AAPSE Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

8.7.2013	7:30-8:30 a.m. CT	Crowne Plaza St. Paul Riverfront, St. Paul, MN		
Meeting called by	Andrew Thostenson			
<b>1. AAPSE FINANCIAL AND MEMBERSHIP REPORT</b>				
Discussion	Drew Martin presented a brief overview of AAPSE's finances. The current balance is \$73,635.88. Currently, AAPSE has 164 active members: 99 extension service, 35 regulatory, 5 EPA, and 25 private sector members.			
George Hamilton moved to approve the financial report. Seconded by Sherman Takatori. Motion passed.				
<b>2. PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES</b>				
Discussion	<p>The following changes were recommended by the By-Laws committee and are endorsed by the Board of Directors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strike "June 1" from the second paragraph of Article VI, Section 1, and replace with "March 31". The sentence would then read, "Members whose dues are not paid by March 31 shall be removed from the rolls by the Secretary after 30 days notice."</li> <li>• Strike "of the calendar year following an election" from Article IV, Section 3. The sentence would then read, "Because the term of each office begins and ends at the conclusion of the first annual meeting, the length of any one individual term may be slightly more or less than two years depending upon when the annual meeting is held."</li> <li>• Strike "majority" from Article V, Section 2, and replace with "plurality". The sentence would then read, "The regional Board representatives shall be elected by plurality vote of the Full members within their region."</li> <li>• Strike the second sentence, "If the office of President-Elect is vacant at such time as the office of the President becomes vacant, the Board shall appoint a Full member to fill that office for the remainder of the term." from Article IV, Section 4, and replace it with the following three new sentences: "The board shall appoint a full member to fill a vacant President-Elect position. An appointed President-Elect only becomes president with a plurality vote of the membership. In the event that the President-Elect and President positions are vacant at the same time, the appointed president elect will become the acting President until such time as a plurality vote of membership is held to fill the President's position." Section 4 would then read, "Section 4. Vacancies. If the office of the President shall become vacant, the President-Elect shall thereupon become President of the Association for the unexpired term. The board shall appoint a full member to fill a vacant President-Elect position. An appointed President-Elect only becomes president with a plurality vote of the membership. In the event that the President-Elect and President positions are vacant at the same time, the appointed president elect will become the acting President until such time as a plurality vote of membership is held to fill the President's position. In the event that either of the offices of Secretary or Treasurer shall become vacant, the Board shall appoint a Full member to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term."</li> <li>• Strike the word "first" three times as indicated in Article IV, Sections 1 and 3.</li> </ul>			
Clyde Ogg moved to adopt the recommendations of the board and accept the by-laws as stated. Seconded by Dean Herzfeld. Motion passed.				
<b>3. AAPSE ANNUAL MEETING AND MEMBERSHIP TASKFORCE DISCUSSION</b>				
Discussion	Andrew Thostenson announced that the Board of Director's voted to hold an AAPSE meeting for at least a day and a half in conjunction with the Northeast regional meeting held September 2014 in Harrisburg, PA. Mike Weaver is pulling together an AAPSE Annual Meeting Planning Team.			
Andrew Thostenson stated that a membership taskforce has been formed to look at membership categories and dues structures. Dean Herzfeld and Drew Martin will serve as co-chairs. They are tasked with drawing up proposed by-law changes of options for different membership categories and bring back to the BOD by December 31, 2013. Contact Dean Herzfeld or Drew Martin if you are interested in the task force.				
<b>4. RESOLUTIONS</b>				

	<p>Carol Black read the following resolution regarding the WSSA to Carol Somody (by phone) and the audience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators, recognizing that the Weed Science Society of America (WSSA) is a nonprofit scientific society, whose goal is to encourage and promote the development of knowledge concerning weeds and their impact on the environment, noting with approval that WSSA promotes research, education and extension outreach activities related to weeds and provides science-based information to the public and policy makers, expressing its appreciation that WSSA expressed concern about the precarious state of the U.S. pesticide safety education program (PSEP), approving of WSSA's technical paper on PSEP that addresses its history, goals and funding and proposes ideas for ensuring more stable financial resources for PSEP in the future, acknowledging that WSSA has developed lesson modules on herbicide resistant weeds and allowed their use in pesticide safety education, noting that WSSA has developed a pesticide stewardship series and "certification programs fulfill an essential need for competent pesticide applicators" is #6 in the series, accordingly the American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators (AAPSE) recognizes WSSA's effort to promote and continue The U.S. pesticide safety education program, believing that WSSA's efforts to stimulate the funding discussion is developing real possibility, consequently AAPSE is appreciative of WSSA's continued emphasis on pesticide stewardship outreach — our humble gratitude.</li> </ul> <p>Sherman Takatori moved to approve the resolution as stated. Seconded by Barry Brennan. Motion passed.</p>
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	<p>Kim Pope read the following resolution regarding the PSEP Stakeholder Team to Carol Somody (by phone) and the audience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators, recognizing that the National Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP) Stakeholder Team is a group of forty-one different organizations with the common goal of finding support for the U.S. Pesticide Safety Education Program, noting with approval that the team has brought together pesticide registrants, federal and state agencies, university programs, professional societies and other associations that have the common interest of finding support for PSEP, expressing its appreciation for the team's progress through the efforts of the workgroups and full team in finding support of The U.S. Pesticide Safety Education Program, approving of the team's efforts to establish a permanent source of federal funding for PSEP in every state and territory, approving of the team's efforts to determine the status of, and additional potential for state and territory support of PSEP through pesticide product registration/certification fees, enforcement fines, university fees, and other means, approving of the team's efforts to explore various processes for stakeholders to provide unrestricted gifts, grants, and endowments to support all or designated PSEPs, acknowledging the continuing efforts of the team in collecting PESP-related data and drafting a framework, reference material, and proposals to better support PSEP, noting that the team has held more than 60 conference calls and launched an archival website (PSEP.us), accordingly the American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators (AAPSE) recognizes the national Pesticide Safety Education Program (PSEP) Stakeholder Team's efforts to conceptualize a proposal for supporting U.S. pesticide safety education programs and developing supporting documents to pursue other funding support, consequently AAPSE greatly appreciates the confidence you have in university extension in delivering quality training and the fire that has been kindled by the dedication of the PSEP team.</li> </ul> <p>Pat Hipkins moved to approve the resolution as stated. Seconded by Larry Olsen. Motion passed.</p>
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	<p>Carol Somody was awarded the Distinguished Achievement in Pesticide Safety Education by Industry. Dean Herzfeld presented the award.</p> <h2>5. LIFE MEMBERS PRESENTATION</h2> <p>The following were awarded Life Membership status:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Win Hock (presented by Mike Weaver)</li> <li>Bob Wolf (presented by Dean Herzfeld)</li> <li>Roger Flashinski (presented by Andrew Thostenson)</li> <li>Jim Criswell (presented by Dean Herzfeld)</li> <li>Joanne Kick-Raack (presented by Mike Weaver)</li> </ul>
<h2>6. AAPSE RECOGNITION FOR SERVICE</h2>	

Discussion	Dean Herzfeld was awarded a Recognition of Appreciation plaque for his service on the AAPSE Executive Committee. Andrew Thostenson presented the award.
<b>7. INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS</b>	
Discussion	<p>The new officers for 2013-2015 were installed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mike Weaver – President</li> <li>• Don Renchie – President-Elect</li> <li>• Drew Martin – Treasurer</li> <li>• Betsy Buffington - Secretary</li> </ul>
<b>8. PASSING OF GAVEL</b>	
Discussion	Andrew Thostenson passed the gavel to the new President, Mike Weaver. The meeting was adjourned.