

AAPSE EC/BOD Minutes

11/27/17

10:00-10:55am Central

Zoom teleconference

Meeting called by: Kerry Richards

Type of meeting: Executive Committee (EC)/Board of Directors (BOD)

Recorded by: Betsy Buffington

Attendees: EC: Betsy Buffington, Kim Pope Brown, Kerry Richards
BOD: Faye Golden, Frannie Miller, Ples Spradley, Jolene Warnke-Roszel
Others: Tira Adelman, Chris Geith, Tom Smith

Minutes

Agenda item: 1. EPA Funding to States Update **Presenter:** Tira Adelman, Chris Geith, Tom Smith

Discussion:

Tira Adelman, Project Manager with eXtension, Chris Geith, CEO of eXtension, and Tom Smith, NPSEC stated that an announcement on EPA Funding to the States and how to apply for funds is coming out soon.

Agenda item: 2. NPSEC Update **Presenter:** Tom Smith
a. SWAT Team/Board of Directors Transition
b. EPA Field Meetings Implementation Grant – NOT OFFICIAL

Discussion:

2a. Tom Smith reported that NPSEC is transitioning the organizational structure from an ad-hoc SWAT Team to a formal Board of Directors, effective January 1, 2018. The board structure will include eight PSEP coordinators (or representatives of PSEP programs), two registrants, and one liaison each from AAPSE, APSCRO, and AAPCO. A SWAT Team meeting will be held December 12th.

2b. NPSEC has not been officially awarded the EPA Field Meetings Implementation Grant, but has been working with Jeanne Kasai with EPA to develop a budget to hold three meetings in 2018: PACT and two CTAG meetings. Once the budget is finalized, NPSEC will receive an award letter from EPA.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Send email asking for suggestions and recommendations to determine AAPSE liaison to NPSEC board.	Kerry Richards	12/4/17

Agenda item: 3. SFIREG Meeting **Presenter:** Kerry Richards

Discussion:

Kerry Richards is attending the SFIREG meeting December 4-5 and asked for EC/BOD input on what issues to address or carry forward. EC/BOD suggested clarification on the WPS and the C&T rule. Kerry stated that she will address those issues as well as bring forward the issue of the role of science in federal decision making.

Agenda item: 4. Issues and Evaluations Committee **Presenter:** Kim Pope Brown
a. Dicamba
b. Science Based decision making

Discussion:

4a. A draft paper, "Meeting the Challenge of Dicamba Use in 2018 and Beyond" was shared internally with the BOD. Since paper was drafted, the use classification of Dicamba has changed. Therefore, Kim Pope Brown will identify additional members for the subcommittee and once discussions have been held, determine if Issues and Evaluations committee members need to put forward a position paper to the entire membership.

4b. Dan Wixted has brought forward the following issue to AAPSE: "The federal government is staging an unprecedented assault on the role of science in federal decision making, including within EPA and USDA. This will adversely affect our ability to education and affect positive behavioral change in applicators and the public." Dan wishes to forward this issue to the Issues and Evaluations Committee. Will discuss in more detail during December 18 EC/BOD meeting.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Add Science based decision making issue to December 18 EC/BOD meeting agenda.	Kerry Richards	12/4/17
✓ Follow up on these issues.	Kim Pope Brown	12/31/17

Agenda item: 5. Communications **Presenter:** Kerry Richards
a. President's Post
b. Basecamp
c. Website

Discussion:

5a. The next President's post will come out in December. Previous post came out in October.

5b. Minutes have been posted to Basecamp.

5c. A new AAPSE website is still in development, but will be ready to roll out soon. Kerry Richards will set up a meeting with Mike Weaver to walk-through the new site with Betsy Buffington and Sonja Thomas. After that meeting, the EC/BOD will be able to preview the site.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Discuss website development with Sonja Thomas and Betsy Buffington.	Kerry Richards	12/11/17

Agenda item: 6. New AAPSE Regional Representatives **Presenter:** Current Regional Directors

Discussion:

Frannie Miller reported that the North Central Region is taking nominations through December 1 and will vote soon. Faye Golden with the Southern Region said that nominations close December 1.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Send reminder to current regional directors to hold election for new regional representatives to be in place by January 1, 2018.	Kerry Richards	12/5/17
✓ Send election results to Kerry Richards and/or Betsy Buffington.	Current Regional Directors	12/31/17

Agenda item: 7. Future Meetings **Presenter:** Kerry Richards

- a. Allowing 10 minutes for AAPSE member comments
- b. 2018 AAPSE National Meeting Survey

Discussion:

7a. Kerry Richards discussed the EC's suggestion of allowing 10 minutes for comments at the beginning of each meeting for AAPSE general membership to provide input or ask questions.

7b. Jolene Warnke-Roszel asked about status of the survey of membership regarding the 2018 AAPSE National Meeting. Kerry Richards will send survey questions to EC/BOD today and send to membership by end of the week.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Send EC/BOD survey questions so they can provide comment on questions.	Kerry Richards	11/27/17
✓ Send out survey to AAPSE membership asking if they want AAPSE meeting separate or at same time as PACT 2018 and if membership would be willing to travel to multiple meetings.	Kerry Richards	12/1/17
✓ Set up time to meet with Betsy Buffington about upcoming EC/BOD meeting two weeks prior to each meeting.	Kerry Richards	12/1/17
✓ Add general membership attendance at EC/BOD meetings for further discussion to December 18 EC/BOD meeting agenda.	Kerry Richards	12/4/17

Next EC/BOD meeting: 12/18/17