

AAPSE BOD Meeting Minutes		
7.23.2014	3:00-4:45 p.m. ET	Teleconference
Meeting called by	Mike Weaver	
Members Present	Candace Bartholomew, Kaci Buhl, Sharon Gripp, Dean Herzfeld, Pat Hipkins, Drew Martin, Don Rennie, Mark Shour (meeting recorder), Andrew Thostenson, Wendy Sue Wheeler	
REPORTS		
1. UPDATE ON NATIONAL STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Thostenson discussed national dialog with IPM coming out of USDA especially with future RFPs. Working on efforts to talk about PRIA3 renewal (current PRIA will be finished in 2017). Looking at directed enforcement actions (violation of EPA law) – entity/company decides to redirect their funds to atone for their violations. PSEP improvement and modernization initiative (3 years, \$3M) to create training materials and support PSEP programs to capacity. Meeting July 31, 2014. Go to http://www.psep.us/ to look at agenda and documents. 	
2. UPDATE ON I&E COMMITTEE (SFIREG/WPS)		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Don Rennie discussed SFIREG and WPS SFIREG – important to keep including PSEP WPS – Few comments from farmers/ranchers. Most comments are coming from membership associations. SLAs not commenting as much as Extension. 	
Action Item	Person	Deadline
Draft a letter summarizing AAPSE comments received to date and send it to BOD for comments	Don Rennie	
3. TREASURER'S REPORT		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drew Martin reported \$77,349.15 in accounts with WSECU. AAPSE is due for annual audit (should have occurred on May 15, 2014) but committee asked to wait until September to do the audit. Membership: 170 members (104 Extension, 33 SLAs, 21 private sectors, 7 other, and 5 EPA). Added 7 new members since January 1, 2014, while 10 declined membership (net loss of 3). 	
4. REGIONAL REPORTS		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NE – Candace Bartholomew. Only 3 people commented on the membership issue. They wanted a concrete proposal made. SR – Pat Hipkins. AAPSE is not broken so don't fix it. Liked the AAPCO model. Some people believed that the expansion of organization would be more damaging than beneficial. 18 active, 1 associates, 5 interested people at SR meeting. Just under 50% of full members attending the Southern Region meeting. WR – Wendy Sue Wheeler, Kaci Buhl. 18 people participated in a teleconference. Strong consensus to open up full membership, potential concern with collaboration with industry but thought the organization would become stronger. Survey monkey (20 participants) – no one member said stay the same. Discussion about tiered structure. Listed 5 purposes of AAPSE and asked if the members if AAPSE was doing its job. Showed need to improve in some of AAPSE's purposes. NCR – Mark Shour. Membership category changes and voting rights are very polarizing issues, AAPSE must proceed cautiously. Consensus was that BOD provide distinct issues for consideration, instead of floating various combinations of possible changes. Need to firm up the proposal(s). 	
5. Liaison Reports - AAPCO, CTAG, others		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mike Weaver reported that we currently do not have an AAPCO liaison due to retirement of Ed Crow. Discussion tabled. 	
Action Item	Person	Deadline

Submit names of members who might want to serve as AAPCO liaison	Board of Directors	
OLD BUSINESS		
6. ANNUAL WORKSHOP		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 40 registrants now. Sharon Gripp met with hotel and looked at menu; new menus sent to Betsy Buffington (early June). Number of breakout rooms – 4. How much time on Thursday to get ready for the dinner? 1-2 hours probably needed. Don't have proceedings for this meeting, as this is the first time AAPSE has had a national meeting. Suggestion to hand out presentations on flash drive instead of having paper proceedings. Focus on two mini-sessions to get speakers locked in. Local arrangements based on NE Regional meeting. Field trip should add interest. About 29 people registered for NE Regional meeting at this time. Awards – primarily the fellows, but will have a few other awards. 	
Action Item	Person	Deadline
Send letters to get speakers confirmed	Drew Martin	
7. MEMBERSHIP POLICY		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed at length at EC meeting. Regional comments (see #4 above) mirror EC discussion. Much discussion by BOD. Kaci Buhl moved that AAPSE send out a survey monkey to ask the general membership, "Would you be in favor of expanding membership to a broader range of pesticide educators?" Seconded by Pat Hipkins. Motion passed. BOD Committee set up for this survey: Kaci Buhl (chair), Candace Bartholomew, Pat Hipkins, Dean Herzfeld, and Don Renchie. 	
Action Item	Person	Deadline
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Bring survey results to AAPSE meeting in Harrisburg. Send out Dean's paper and Carol Black's paper along with survey monkey to help AAPSE membership make a decision on the matter. Ask people to identify themselves so we can track to verify names match up with active member roster. Results will be kept confidential. 	Kaci Buhl, Candace Bartholomew, Pat Hipkins, Dean Herzfeld, Don Renchie	8/10/14
8. 25b STATUS		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Thostenson reported no engagement by AAPCO on 25b issue. 	
Action Item	Person	Deadline
Ask Ed Crow to bring forward to AAPCO one last time	Mike Weaver	
NEW BUSINESS		
9. USDA PARTNERSHIP		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do we have a viable USDA partner anymore?? They can help us with IPM as well if they are willing. Could be a topic for business meeting in Harrisburg, PA. 	
Action Item	Person	Deadline
Send email to Mary Purcell and David Epstein concerning upcoming AAPSE meeting to get input and assistance.	Mike Weaver	

NEXT MEETING: TBD.