

## AAPSE BOD Meeting, 2/23/23, 12:12pm-1:27pm CST, Zoom teleconference

Meeting called by Jolene Warnke, recorded by Sarah Kingsley-Richards

BOD Attendees: Kaile Adney, Evan Alderman, Amanda Bachmann, Brett Bultemeier, Daniel Frank, Mike Helms, Sarah Kingsley-Richards, James Kopco, Jolene Warnke

Ex Officio: Patrick Jones (AAPCO)

**Mission Statement:** The AAPSE mission is to provide a collective voice and forum for professional development, advocacy, and collaboration in the development, delivery, and advancement of pesticide applicator certification and pesticide safety education.

## Agenda and Minutes

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### 1. Call to Order [Jolene Warnke]

- a. Welcome new Regional Representatives, introductions.

### 2. Treasurer's Report [Sonja Thomas]

**Discussion:**

- a. Full report to be presented at next meeting.

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### 3. Rodenticide Response to EPA [Amanda Bachmann]

**Discussion:**

- a. November EPA released Proposed Interim Decisions on rodenticides impacts training, use, enforcement in agriculture, structures, etc. and endangered/non-target impacts.
- b. AAPSE did submit comment using member input and summary points from webinars.
- c. EPA released Proposed Interim Decisions commentary period open for mosquito repellent product extension for outdoor use.

**Action Items:**

- Develop procedures for future comments, streamline process
- Evaluate need for AAPSE comments on new PID

**Person Responsible:**

Issues & Evaluations  
Committee

**Deadline:**

3/23/23

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### 4. Webmaster Position [Sarah Kingsley-Richards]

**Discussion:**

- a. AAPSE would benefit from a dedicated, responsive webmaster. Suggestions to create new position on the BOD or withing Committee on Committees. Bylaws Committee review permits hiring a paid position. See minutes 11/22/22, 12/15/22, 1/19/22 for further discussion details.
- b. Paid tech support discussion: offer as contract position to attract broader applicant pool; can get very expensive; establish pay rate, set schedule (e.g. 5 hours per month, weekly updates within 5 business days); seek member approval of contract conditions. Separate contracts for larger builds (Annual Conference registration, new pages, etc.). Need to define contract award process and administration.
- c. Professional Development webinar hosting will remain within committee responsibilities.

**Action Items:**

- Draft Webmaster position description duties for BOD review
- List current website update tasks with priorities and timeline

**Person Responsible:**

Sarah Kingsley-Richards

**Deadline:**

3/23/23

- Complete updates and merge of websites, work with Slamdot as needed Webmaster 7/24/23
- Define Communications Committee responsibilities, review with BOD Jolene Warnke, 3/23/23  
Communications  
Committee

## 5. Slamdot Pricing

### Discussion:

- Rate is going up from \$25/month to \$50/month following the introductory period. Will discuss services, rate agreement at next meeting.

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## 6. PRIA Funding

### Discussion:

- Have been assured that EPA funds for PSEPs will be distributed going forward, timeline unknown.

## 7. AAPSE National Conference Update [Jolene Warnke]

### Discussion:

- Planning Committee meeting weekly. C&T Academy planning proceeding separately. Draft agenda shared: Wednesday morning off-site bus tour, afternoon local walking tour, committee meeting options. Preceding webinars will introduce external organization updates. Still seeking sponsors, funding.
- EC meeting next week to review facility, tour logistics, etc.

### Action Items:

- Seeking suggestions for General Membership Meeting topics
- Confirm voting/meeting announcement deadlines
- Member registration opens (target date)

### Person Responsible:

Open to all members  
Elections Committee,  
Sarah Kingsley-Richards  
Planning Committee

### Deadline:

6/1/23  
3/23/23  
4/1/23

## 8. Comments/Announcements

### Discussion:

- Seeking President-Elect and Secretary nominations for 2023 officer elections.
- Adjusting listserv update protocols to remove lapsed members.
- Southern Region finalizing annual regional meeting in June.
- 2024 AAPSE National Conference planning moving forward in Wyoming, securing hotel. Expect a member poll for date preference.
- Good feedback on Mid-Year Membership Meeting.
- AAPCO updates: BOD meeting is March 6-8 in VA, new pollinator videos will be available on NCDAs pollinator webpage: proper pesticide use for beekeepers, ag inspector bee kill investigation.

## 9. Adjournment [Jolene Warnke]

**Next BOD Meeting:** 03/23/23, 12:00noon-1:00pm CDT, Zoom teleconference

**Next BOD Meeting:** 04/27/23, 12:00noon-1:00pm CDT, Zoom teleconference

**Next BOD Meeting:** 05/25/23, 12:00noon-1:00pm CDT, Zoom teleconference

**Next BOD Meeting:** 06/22/23, 12:00noon-1:00pm CDT, Zoom teleconference

Next BOD Meeting: 07/25/23, TBDpm EDT, AAPSE National Conference, Savannah GA

