

MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION BUSINESS MEETING  
AMERICAN PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

St. Louis, Missouri

August 21, 1991

In the absence of both the president and vice-president, the meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by Secretary-Treasurer Doug Jardine. There were 34 members in attendance at the start of the meeting.

President Einar Palm was absent due to a death in the family and Vice-President Sung M. Lim has resigned following his appointment as Department Head at the University of Arkansas. The Executive Committee appointed Steve Ries, University of Illinois, to fill the term as vice-president. A motion to approve the appointment was made and seconded. The motion carried. At this point Secretary Jardine turned the gavel over to Vice-President Ries.

Jim Venette was appointed parliamentarian.

Written copies of the minutes of the 1990 business meeting were provided to those attending. The minutes were approved.

The treasurer's report, presented by Douglas J. Jardine was approved.

A moment of silence was taken to remember NCD colleagues who passed away since the last meeting. They included: Harold H. Flor, North Dakota; Art Hooker, Illinois; John F. Tuite, Purdue.

Division Councilor Al Ellingboe reported on council activities. Steve Nelson has been appointed Executive Vice-President to replace the retiring Ray Tarleton. Wayne Pederson and Larry Madden, both NCD members, have been named as Editors-in-Chief of Plant Disease and Phytopathology, respectively. Fred Ausubel will become Editor-in-Chief of MPMI. The Society of Nematologists has approached APS about publishing their journal. The NCD-APS graduate student oral and poster competitions are very successful and are being used as a model by other divisions. The \$1,000 gift made by NCD to the mortgage retirement fund last year has been matched by the other divisions. Council has again considered expansion of Awards and Honors. At this time it has been decided there should be no further expansion so as not to dilute their value. Council has voted to move forward towards developing a National Registry of Plant Pathologists. Council has also voted to establish an APS Board of Agriculture to act on behalf of the society in Washington, D.C., etc. when rapid responses need to be made on items. Members of the Board would be Vidaver, Tolin, J. Cook, Kelman, Sequeira, and Gabriel. The 1992 meeting in Portland will run from Saturday through Wednesday and will be held jointly with the Mycological Society of America. Special sessions will be limited to make room for the MSA program. There will once again be no sessions scheduled opposite the poster sessions. This year's experiment proved to be very successful.

The topic of a division newsletter was discussed. The Western Division has been very successful with one. Secretary-Treasurer Jardine volunteered to try and develop one.

In the absence of a nominating committee report, Wayne Pederson nominated Steve Ries as president and Berlin Nelson as vice-president for 1992. A motion was made to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for the candidates. The motion was seconded and approved.

Old Business:

Stan Jensen, Nebraska, was appointed Divisional Archivist.

New Business:

Dick Ford moved to appint a committee to prepare an amendment on voting procedures to be voted on at next year's meeting. Motion approved. President Ries will appoint the committee. Ralph Green suggested that maybe the Councilor could be elected by mailed ballot and that Secretary-Treasurer could remain as is. Chuck Curtis suggested contacting the Potomac Division who already votes by mailed ballot to get some pros and cons on the procedure.

An invitation to attend the 1992 NCD meeting Urbana, Illinois was made by Steve Ries. The dates are June 23-25, 1992. The meeting will be at the Chancellor Inn.

Berlin Nelson extended an early invitation to attend the 1993 NCD meeting in North Dakota. They are already planning a symposium and library dedication in memory of H. H. Flor who recently passed away.

Phil Larsen unofficially announced that Minnesota would host the 1994 meeting.

Fred Schwenk, Chair of the Distinguished Service Award Committee announced a tie for this year's award. It will be shared by Ralph Green, Purdue University and Jim Sinclair, University of Illinois. Ralph Green donated his cash award to the APS mortgage fund.

Tom Wyllie, Chair of the Student Awards competition announced this year's recipients. First place oral presentation went to H. Koenraad, Michigan State University, "Use of allele-specific oligonucleotide probes to characterize resistance to benomyl in field strains of Venturia inaequalis." Second place oral went to T. M. Barta, University of Wisconsin, "Tabtoxin biosynthesis is controlled by a regulatory gene that is functionally conserved in many pathovars of *Pseudomonas syringae*." First place poster went to E. M. Bauske, University of Illinois, "Modified recurrent selection for tolerance to barley yellow dwarf virus in winter wheat." Second place poster went to K. Sauer, Kansas State University, "Identification fo *Ophiosphaerella herpotricha* with a cloned DNA probe."

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Douglas J. Jardine  
Secretary-Treasurer, NCD-APS