

APS Potomac Division Resolutions of the 2011 Annual Meeting

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Whereas the 67th meeting of the Potomac Division of the American Phytopathological Society was held at the Atlantic Sands Motel and Conference center at Rehoboth Beach, Delaware-
Therefore be it resolved that we thank the motel for its nice facility, good food, courteous service, and its circuitous route to the dining and guest rooms.

Whereas the Division Forum of APS is meeting with the Potomac Division this year-
Therefore be it resolved that a warm welcome be given to members of the forum.

Whereas the chair of this year's local arrangement committee has shown himself to be a Party Planner Extraordinaire-
Therefore be it resolved that Tom Evans hereby be declared the Potomac Division Party Planner in Perpetuity (or PPP).

Whereas a group of eight hungry plant pathologists were supposedly being led to a sushi bar Wednesday night by our efficient secretary Yilmaz Balci, only to find that the waiter responded with "no sushi, no pitchers of beer, no separate checks, no dogfish, no happy hour, no baked potato" but splits were ok!
Therefore be it resolved that next year we find another leader for the search of restaurants in Winchester.

Whereas we thank the country of Denmark for producing our president Mary Ann's Danish ancestry-
Therefore be it resolved that we all take note of two of the Danish philosophies:
"Build houses to live 100 years" and "drink like there is no tomorrow."

Whereas, while we are at it, we thank Mary Ann for the superb job she is doing-
Therefore be it resolved that she be corrected for the statement of her executive committee being the nicest group you wouldn't want to work with. This is like being in a corner so you can go in all directions at once.

Whereas the programs of the past several meetings of the Potomac Division have been very good-
Therefore be it resolved that the Division members be appreciative, especially for this year's program.

Whereas we are complimentary of the program this year-
Therefore be it resolved that we recognize this library of acronym clichés like, "galactic rim, silencing genes, linkage disequilibriums and mapping resolution, diverse founder, pathogen strategies, genetic architecture, nested association analyses, pleiotrophy, next generation sequencing, the purple marsh nocturnal crabs and their feeding behavior, center not, biobag, up-regulated genes, workys, crinkles, unigens, VIGS, contigs, 454 sequencing, EST, RGA,

PvRGAs, BAC library, happy rice, synchronized solutions,” and that they be provided in future meetings as a glossary attached to the program.

Whereas the federal government is operating on a continuing resolution and the future is uncertain-

Therefore be it resolved that we recognize that without federal funding and the continuing resolution there would be no posters at this year’s meeting.

Whereas the attendees from Penn State this year are not from College Park, College Station, or State College-

Therefore be it resolved that we now recognize that they are from University Park, PA.

Whereas the Treasurer’s report was exceedingly detailed-

Therefore be it resolved that each attendee be issued a hand lens in order to read it.

Whereas the origin of *P. cinnamomi* has been identified as Papua, New Guinea-

Therefore be it resolved that we are grateful that Waldo is not and has never been in West Virginia.

Whereas a new discipline has been recognized as salt marsh pathology and, point of shame that *Fusarium palustre* did not kill the vegetation-

Therefore be it resolved that a new culprit be found to better sell the discipline, like free range grass-fed crabs.

Whereas Lynn Rollos’ student paper on grape powdery mildew went well-

Therefore be it resolved that electrical connections be checked before she speaks again, and for goodness’ sake, provide her with a footstool.

Whereas we are always pleased to have the President of our parent society attend our meetings, this year we are doubly pleased to have President John Sherwood who presented his first paper at a Potomac Division meeting-

Therefore be it resolved that we give a warm welcome to John but we do not have a suitable closet to assign to him.

Whereas the Resolutions Bard was delinquent in registering for the meeting for the sole reason that he was working on his suntan,

Therefore be it resolved that the Resolutions Bard no longer be allowed to go on snowbird vacations during the month of February.