

MINUTES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION
BUSINESS MEETING

AMERICAN PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY
Brookings, South Dakota
June 22, 1995

The meeting was called to order by President Thomas E. Chase, South Dakota State University at 10:30 a.m. in the Holiday Inn Convention Center at Brookings, South Dakota.

President Chase appointed Wayne Pedersen as Parliamentarian.

Minutes

Written copies of the minutes of the 1994 business meeting were provided to those attending. Secretary-Treasurer Ries asked for a motion to dispense with reading them since everyone had a copy. Marcia McMullen corrected the minutes by clarifying who served on the 1994 Distinguished Service Award Committee. A motion to accept the minutes was made, seconded, and carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Written copies of the Treasurer's Report were provided to attendees. Secretary-Treasurer Ries noted that our annual dues structure was changed at our last annual meeting. Dues increased from \$2.00 per year to \$5.00 per year effective on January 1, 1995. Ries also pointed out that the \$250 authorized at last year's meeting for producing a "DeBary Game Board" had not been spent (no one requested it). He also pointed out that our Newsletter cost was \$364.08 to print and mail to the divisional membership.

The balance on hand as of June 13, 1995 was \$3,191.63. Anticipated disbursements include \$200 for the Distinguished Service Award, \$250 for a DeBary Board and \$364.08 to APS for newsletter services. Therefore, the anticipated balance is \$2,377.55.

President Sue Tolin's Remarks

Dr. Tolin presented information concerning activities about our national society. She discussed the possibilities of "decoupling" membership and Journal subscriptions. Such an option may prove more convenient/cost effective for members. She pointed out that APSNET would soon provide abstracts of Journal articles (at a cost) and eventually full text articles. Dues will be changing to include faculty (\$60), post-doctoral (\$40), and student (\$20) memberships. She concluded her remarks by reminding attendees that the APS meetings in 1999 will be in Montreal and the candidate cities for 2000 are New Orleans and Charlotte.

Councilor's Report

This report is attached and is self explanatory.

Acknowledgements

President Chase thanked all who served to make the 1995 meeting in Brookings a success.

Local Arrangements

Dale Gallenberg	Donna Peterson	Jackie Rudd
Scott Haley	Dale Reeves	Jim Smolik
Marie Langham	Diane Rickerl	Howard Woodard
Doug Malo		

Distinguished Service

Marcia McMullen, Chair
Neil Anderson
Stan Jensen
Don Scott

Graduate Student Award Committee

Diane Rickerl, Chair
Martin L. Carson
Marcia McMullen
Forrest Nutter

Old Business

An ad hoc committee composed of Fred Schwenk, Forrest Nutter, and Peggy Sellers provided a written report (attached) which outlined methods for improving attendance and participation at NCD divisional meetings. Recommendations include: Hosts of divisional meetings should utilize the APSNET and E-Mail to advertise the meeting, and a contact person at each divisional school should be identified to promote meetings. Numerous other recommendations are in the written report.

Necrology Report

This report was given by Secretary-Treasurer Ries. There were 3 deaths of former division members within the past year. They were:

Ben Doupnik, Jr. Professor of Plant Pathology at the University of Nebraska-Clay Center.

William J. Hooker. Professor Emeritus of Botany and Plant Pathology at Michigan State University.

John Charles Walker. Professor Emeritus of Plant Pathology at the University of Wisconsin - Madison.

New Business

Doug Jardine stated that the DeBary Bowl competition was a unique and successful activity at last year's annual meeting. He recommended that the division should begin preparing another team for competition at this year's annual meeting. He said each team consists of 6 members (only 2 can have PhD's.) There may be an unlimited number of alternates. Divisional councilors are in charge of each divisional team.

Doug Jardine also recommended that the division needs to stimulate graduate student attendance at our annual meeting. He suggested that we might promote student participation by using divisional resources (annual dues) to fund travel to divisional meetings. An ad hoc committee consisting of Forrest Nutter, David Wysong, Doug Jardine, and a graduate student to be selected by the committee was appointed by President Chase to study and present a proposal at next year's annual meeting.

Election of Officers

Forest Nutter (Iowa State) nominated Craig Grau as Vice-President to become President in 1997, and therefore host the 1997 meeting of the division. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Future Meeting Sites

Purdue is scheduled to host our NCD meeting in 1996 in conjunction with the national APS meeting in Indianapolis. The University of Wisconsin-Madison has agreed to host the 1997 divisional meeting in either Madison or to co-host the meeting with the University of Manitoba at Winnipeg. Foreign students within the USA may need to get a temporary visa before entering Canada. Fred Schwenk (Kansas State) expressed some concern about a joint meeting getting a bit large, more expensive, and further to travel. A motion was made by Jardine (Kansas State) and seconded by Langham (South Dakota) to join the Canadian Phytopathological Society in Winnipeg in late June. After some discussion concerned with maintaining our identity (NCD) by having our own business meeting, competitions, etc. the motion was approved.

Awards

Distinguished Service Award Committee Chair, Marcia McMullen presented a list of nominees, acknowledged her committee, and presented the NCD/APS Distinguished Service Award, a check for \$200, and a plaque to John Watkins of the University of Nebraska.

President Chase announced the winners of the Student Awards Competition. First place went to Chris Onstad of North Dakota State University for an oral presentation. "Detection and population dynamics of *Xanthomonas phaseoi* in post harvest assays of *Phaseolus* bean seed." Second place went to Louis Prom of North Dakota State University for an oral presentation "Pathotypes of *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *glycinea* in eastern North Dakota." Both abstracts were co-authored with Jim Venette. Each student received a check and a plaque.

1996 Meeting

Scott Abney for Greg Shaner and Purdue University invited us to Indianapolis for our 1996 annual meeting. The meeting is scheduled for July 27-31 in the Convention Center.

A resolution of thanks was made and seconded to thank President Chase and South Dakota State University for hosting our meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Ries