

North Central APS Division Meeting
Reiman Gardens, Ames, IA
June 23, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 1:15 AM by Dr. Forrest Nutter, current NC-APS Division President. (Present were Forrest Nutter, Ray Hammerschmidt, George Sundin, Paul Esker, Jim Steadman, Jim Moyer, Dean Malvick, Carl Bradley, Tamra Jackson, Craig Grau, Darren Mueller, Anne Dorrance, Martin Chilvers, Deanna Funnel, Loren Giesler)

Forrest thanked everyone for attending the meeting and introduced the current officers for the division. The 2008 division meeting minutes were distributed for review. A motion was made to approve the minutes by D. Jardine, and the motion was seconded by R. Hammerschmidt. The minutes were approved unanimously. No edits were recommended.

Treasurer's Report

Loren Giesler presented the treasurers report in hard copy. D. Jardine moved we accept the report and A. Dorrance seconded to motion. The report was approved unanimously.

Student Awards:

Forrest proposed a sliding scale of the number of awards to be determined each year at the meeting. The group discussed this and we talked about updating the bilaws.

Do we want a sliding scale? – Anne proposed a dollar amount for awards to be set at \$600 for each award oral and poster session. This would put the award amount set and the host institution would determine the number of awards. Anne moved that the NC Division has \$600 for each category (oral and poster presentations) to be awarded by the committee and the judges and host institution will determine the number of awards. J. Steadman seconded the motion.

Carl asked if we should indicate that a total for awards and not specified to cover any changes where oral presentations were not done.

After further discussion, the dollar amount was changed to \$1,200 for awards (combined) and the distribution of the awards would be determined by the judges and host institution. This will allow flexibility for the meeting organizers.

Motion passed unanimously.

Report from North Central Division Councilor, George Sundin

George reported that our division has a very strong membership currently and historically. If anyone has any issues or suggestions please let him know and he will report to APS and talk with Jim Moyer.

He Thanked Forrest and Iowa State for putting on a great meeting in Ames.

Student travel awards = traditionally we give one per state and this year some states received more than one as some states did not submit names.

Total registration for the meeting was over 200.

Forrest suggested to have faculty forward the messages to full faculty and student lists for APS in future years, as this was an effective way to advertise the meeting.

The idea of reducing APS council to make it more efficient. Jim Moyer commented on the proposal – to reduce the total number of council members with 6 elected at large and 5 appointed. Within that 11 to make sure all are represented. In the presidential lineage the president would be involved in appointing some of the members of council that would drive a specific initiative.

There will always be representative at the division meetings if the division councilor is no longer a position on council.

Travel Awards

Awards were made at the luncheon prior to the business meeting.

Rewards Committee:

The idea of the development of an awards committee for the division was discussed. This would provide continuity for awards within the division and would replace the duties currently done by the division councilor. Could be the officers for the division and a previous distinguished service award. Anne moved that we form an ad hoc committee consisting of past president, vice president, current president and former dist. Service award recipient to be the awards committee for the division (past president will be the chair of the committee) The chair selects the dist. Service award recipient to serve on the committee from the pool of former recipients. This committee would be responsible for the Dist. Service Award. R. Hammersmidt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Necrology Report for the Division

The following was reported deceased:

Forrest will be sending a list of people via e-mail from all the states in the region. A moment of silence in remembrance of those deceased was taken.

Election of New Officers and 2010 Meeting Host

L. Giesler is in his second year as secretary/treasurer.

President Elect – Larry Osborne will identify specifics for the 2010 meeting.

The 2010 meeting will be hosted by SDSU as they are hosting the regional wheat group in or near Rapid City. A date has not been set yet – they are looking at the second or third week of June. Larry was not present at the meeting.

June 24-26, 2010 – Wisconsin is holding a centennial celebration which could interfere.

For 2011, Nebraska offered to host the meeting. A nomination of Deanna Funnel was made by Jim Steadman to be vice president. No other nominations were made for the position and host institution. All approved the nomination.

C. Bradley made the motion to thank ISU and A. Dorrance seconded the motion. The group broke into enthusiastic applause.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05

Respectfully submitted,

Loren J. Giesler
Secretary/Treasurer – NC APS Division
University of Nebraska-Lincoln