

**APS Council**  
**APS Annual Meeting, 2004 - Anaheim, CA**  
**Saturday, July 31, 8:00 – 12:00**  
**Hilton – Laguna A/B**

Present: Erik Stromberg, Marci Smith Arv Grybauskas, Miles Wimer, John Sherwood, Rose Gergerich, Erin Rosskopf, Danise Beadle, Jacque Fletcher, John Andrews, Jan Leach, Amy Hope, Mike Ellis, Gary Bergstrom, Albert K. Culbreath, Chris Mundt, Barb Christ, M. Daugherty, Gary Bergstrom, Steve Nelson, Jim MacDonald, Carolee Bull, Ray Martyn, Gary Grove, Meg McGrath, Kira Bowen, Allison Tully, Richard Belanger, Judy Brown, Chris Becker, Mike Benson, Greg Grahek

**1. Call to order (Bergstrom) (8:00-8:30)**

- A. Welcome and introductions
- B. Appointment of parliamentarian: **Jacque Fletcher appointed as parliamentarian, moved, seconded and passed)**
- C. Approval of agenda  
Additions:
  - **Scientific Program Board and Early Career Professionals**
  - **Appointments**
- D. Approval of minutes, 2004 midyear Council meeting (Ishimaru)
  - **Motion to approve, seconded – Passed**
  - **Secretary has a new format for action items.**
- E. Review of action items list (Ishimaru)
  - (1) MOO updates
    - **We anticipate several changes; you will receive communication in the near future in this regard.**
  - (2) Other unfinished items?

**2. President's introductory comments (Bergstrom) (8:30-8:40)**

**3. Recommendations from Standing Committees, Offices and Boards, Ad hoc Committees (8:40-11:30)**

- A. Executive Committee (Bergstrom)
- B. Financial Issues and the Strategic Plan (Stromberg)
- C. Councilors' Forum (Ellis)
  - (1) Ambassador proposal (Martyn)
- D. Committee on Committees (Belanger)
- E. Publications Board (Mundt)
  - (1) Copyright issues
- F. Scientific Programs Board (Rosskopf, MacDonald)
  - (1) Motion for change in MoO to eliminate Annual Meeting Program Planning Committee
    - **They will propose a motion to eliminate this committee to alleviate redundancy.**
  - (2) Reimbursement of member speakers/organizers issues discussion (Belanger)
    - **Concerns have been expressed over expenses to members, specifically emeritus, as speakers at the annual meeting; also the issue of members and nonmembers attending for one day to give their presentation. The MoO does state that only nonmembers are eligible for reimbursement but allows exceptions at the discretion of the SPB.**
- G. OPAE (Jardine), no Council items anticipated
- H. Public Policy Board (Sherwood)
  - (1) PPB issues (Eversole to visit Council on Wednesday) Following items addressed:
    - **USDA funding for research**
    - **Center for Plant Biosecurity**

- Programming assessment tool of fed agencies (PPB working with CSREES to develop a document on this
  - Permitting issue
- (2) Two Board member replacements:
- Reappointments of McGee and Stuckey brought forward from PPB, voted on and carried  
**Motion** to approve new members; Jacque Fletcher and Jim Steadman, brought forward for a vote, carried
- (3) Friend of APS proposal: An award of this type is being given this year to George Korch and Ken Frazier, as approved by the Exec. Committee this spring. This award would not go through the Awards and Honors committee. A motion from the board (attachment 04Council1) is brought to council and after discussion and friendly amendment, presented as follows:  
**Motion:** APS Council endorse the establishment of the “Friend of APS” Recognition Award,  
*(Council charges specific persons or group to take specified action in a specified time-frame)*  
 The “Friend of APS” Recognition Award be included in the MOO  
*(Council considers that specific outcome(s) will constitute successful implementation of this action)*  
 Council, Boards, Committees or other recognized groups within the Society can recommend individuals or organizations to receive the “Friend of APS” Recognition Award, the recommending group will provide a brief (not to exceed 100 words) statement why the individual or organization should receive the Award, and provide how the award will be paid (currently \$150)  
*(Council lays out any guiding principles (sensitivities) it wants to see followed in the implementation of the action)*  
 Council will act on recommendations in a timely manner to facilitate the recommending group to provide the Award as appropriate for the activities completed by the proposed recipient.  
*(Council conveys its role in fostering the actions, mentoring the implementers, and re-assessing the mega-issue in a specified time-frame)*  
**Motion carried**
- (4) Nat’l Center Proposal (HSPD-9) (Fletcher)
- An executive summary/diagram was requested to be added. Clarified that the document is modified for different audiences. **Motion** to accept this as an APS proposal, seconded and carried.
- I. OEC (Ristaino)
- J. OIP (Abawi)
- K. OIR (Becker)
- **Motion** from board to approve new members, Gary Munkvold, Darrell Thomas and Bal Rao – carried.
- L. Foundation (Mathre), no Council items anticipated
- M. Headquarters Operations Committee (Nelson)
- N. Journal Issues Next Steps Discussion (Andrews, Grahek)
- (1) Ad hoc Journal Operations: John Andrews presented status report.
- Digitization of back issues is in progress. (investment approx. \$40-60K; staff time, etc.)
  - Staff is proactively signing institutional members to online site licenses as approved at midyear.
  - Implementation of open-access is still under discussion.
  - The committee is considering pricing options/ models that enable us to maintain financial integrity with our journals.
  - The non-profit journals group is still considering options for collaboration of these and other efforts.
  - G. Grahek presented the financial progress from FY00 to FY03 (attachment 04Council2) including scenarios of other pricing models, including online only
  - Requested input from Council on these initiatives.
  - Committee expects to wrap up by midyear
- (2) Ad hoc Journal Issues (Greg Shaner may report at Wednesday Council)

- O. Ad hoc Awards and Honors Issues (**Benson**) Committee recommendations: Mike Benson reviewed report (attachment 04Council3). Discussion followed on specific recommendations. **Motion** made to accept the report and disband the committee, seconded - carried.
- **Action Item:** It is requested that council members who served on this committee formulate recommendations into council motion forms.
  - The committee makes the **motion** that the committee be constituted of award winners outside the realm of fellow as specified in the proposal – vote requested – carried
  - The committee makes the **motion** that Fellows be eligible for “Awards of Excellence” based on the conditions and changes in the MoO to reflect the proposal – discussion followed – vote requested - carried
- P. Ad hoc Early Career Professionals (**Bull**)
- (1) Standing Committee Proposal
- They would like to institute a standing, General Policy, committee for Early Career Professionals. They have a volunteer chair, Steve Vasquez. They will translate their proposal into a motion for Wednesday. They are developing a benchmarking tool to assist ECP’s in planning. They would like advice from Sr. career professionals and may be surveying those individuals from membership. They will also have a training proposal at Midyear council.
- Q. Biosecurity issues (**Luster, Madden**)
- (1) Emerging Diseases and Pathogens (**Luster**)
- Updates from this committee and its sub-committees were presented.
  - They hope to continue as an adhoc and possibly evolve into a standing committee.
  - Reports from last year’s meetings on pathogens are not available for circulation at this time.
- (2) Biosecurity (a Council Committee) (**Madden**)

[Centennial, Journal Issues, Plant Pathology Priorities, and Private Practice Issues Ad hoc Committees will report to Council on Wednesday]

4. **Issues for discussion (11:30 – noon)**

- A. Appointments
- (1) Terms ending in 04?
- B. Other appointments needed?
- **Motion** from pubs board to approve recommendation of new PHP Editor-in-Chief, Mike Benson, to replace Tim Murray – vote requested - carried
- C. Other items for discussion?
- D. Changes in agenda for Wednesday a.m. Council meeting

5. **Adjourn/Lunch (12:00 noon.**

**APS Council**  
**APS Annual Meeting, 2004 - Anaheim, CA**  
**Wednesday August 4, 2004, 8:00 – 12:00**  
**Hilton - Palos Verdes**

Present: Marci Smith, Danise Beadle, Carol Ishimaru, Barb Christ, Ray Martyn, Richard Belanger, John Andrews, Amy Hope, Miles Wimer, Albert K. Culbreath, Gary Grove, Mike Ellis, Chris Mundt, A. Grybauskas, Jacque Fletcher, Rose Gergerich, Jim MacDonald, Erik Stromberg, Steve Nelson, Gary Bergstrom. Allison Tally,

Guests: Cleo Darcy, Joyce Loper, John Sherwood, Kelly Eversole, Charles Mellinger

## From Saturday's Agenda:

### Councilors' Forum (Ellis)

- Site selection: Contact was initiated through affiliate rep, Carol Stiles, for MSA on the 2006 joint meeting which is now set. They are not yet ready to commit to 2009 in Portland due to financial constraints. SON is interested in meeting with us in San Diego for 2007. Gary reported that ISMPMI is also interested in meeting with us in 2009 per conversations with Jonathan Walton. We are set through Nashville for 2010. Requests have been made for consideration of meeting dates not to include a Sat stay.
- Two new division councilors will be asked to prepare articles for Phyto News (one per annual).
- Will continue focus on lapsed member campaign.
- Division Dues added to member renewals – accomplished.
- The DeBary bowl was condensed this year. CF recommends continuation.
  - -may need to have the Graduate Student committee discuss logistics with Don. Need to shorten it and have it by the socials.
- Ambassador proposal (Martyn): CF has approved the program in principle. The intent of the proposal is to formalize interaction with other societies. They are not yet prepared to propose a motion but would like council to appoint an adhoc committee made up of members from the CF adhoc (Ray, Mike, and Judy Brown) and OIP to further explore this effort.

### Committee on Committees (Belanger): Need to resolve issues of committees running smoothly.

- Recommendations from the leadership forum on this issue confirmed discussions within committee on committees to make administrative changes. They will propose a draft of changes by Midyear.

### Publications Board (Mundt)

- Web-based journal submission (manuscript tracking) is in process. They've determined not to recapture the costs through additional author fees or other means.
- Copyright issues: Copyrights on visual materials: APS Press wants to maintain copyrights. No change in policy will be initiated but will work to educate authors.
- Pub board chair rotation still being considered. Do not have a recommendation at this time
- Citrus Canker: article submitted by homeowner was withdrawn
- Rose Gergerich introduced **Motion**: Pub Board recommends the appointment of Dr. Daniel Egel for the position of Editor-in-Chief of Fungicide and Nematicide Tests effective August 13, 2004. – vote requested – carried
- The possibility of year-long submission of articles for F&N and B&C Tests is being reviewed
- APS Press introduced a recommendation to change the term end dates of their editorial board to coincide with the other editorial boards (year-end). Will submit formal motion for MoO change.
- MPMI vote on senior editors; two for Pathogen and Plant Virus Interactions sections, S. P. Dinesh-Kumar and Peter Dodds, respectively and for Plant-Insect Interactions, Linda Walling. **Motion** from pubs board to approve, voted – carried (See motion posted to e-community)
- Investing in cross-referencing across all APS journals was introduced for discussion; specifically to include hot-links to other articles and cited publications. The adhoc journals committee will explore this further.

### OEC (Ristaino)

- **Motion**: OEC would like to nominate Dr. Darin Eastburn as the next director of OEC 2005-2008; he has accepted the nomination (he will replace Jean Ristaino). *Note: We will put forward a new person for APSnet Feature Editor in the next 6 months.* Called for vote – carried.
- **Action Item**: The APSnet feature editor will be appointed by and an official member of OEC. (Formerly this position was jointly appointed by OEC and OPAE and sat as ex-officio on both) *This has received the approval of OPAE. \*\*This will be included in the next vote on updates to the MoO.*

#### Scientific Programs Board (Andrews)

- Two motions from Saturday discussion: First to increase annual allocation symposia budget. **Motion:** The APS budget for invited nonmembers for the annual meeting be increased from \$30,000 to \$40,000. Tabled until financial discussions
- *This is an additional \$5,000 above the previous proposed increase from FAC.*
- **Motion:** The program committee be dissolved and its responsibilities be subsumed by the planning committee, which will seek and receive input from the chairs of the subject matter and general policy committees. **\*\*This motion voted on and passed and will be included in MoO updates for future overall vote.**
- There has been discussion with staff about facilitating the collection and disbursement of programming funds collected by organizers from outside sources.

#### Headquarters Operations Committee (HOC) (Nelson): Gary will be chair of that committee in 05.

- There was agreement last spring to take time to discuss similar issues. We are not out soliciting other organizations but are collaborating on specific publishing ventures, etc. Will be looking at staffing issues.

#### 1. Evaluation of the Leadership Forum (Bergstrom, McDonald, Nelson)

- A. Brief summary of group evaluation responses from Friday and Saturday (attachment): Breakout compilations have been compiled and will be sent out for review following this meeting.
- B. Consensus and actions suggested by focus topic discussions? Unanimously in favor of continuing this forum but request for fewer topics with more in-depth discussion. Confining it to a half-day was suggested.

#### 2. Public Policy Board

- A. Review of Washington D.C. activities (Eversole)
  - Goals and accomplishments reviewed.

#### 3. Ad hoc committee updates: (Those not reported on Saturday)

- A. Plant Pathology Priorities (Loper)
  - Update from Joyce following her meetings with committees, other groups and members at large. August 16 is the deadline for feedback.
    - Adhoc committee will be reappointed
- B. Private Practice Issues (Mellinger)
  - Reviewed report (attachment). Request to set up dialogue (email?) for committee to communicate regularly. Will work with staff to explore opportunities for interaction, specifically newsletters, bio's and communications. Clint Kohls, chair of the PP committee along with Ann Chase could continue the efforts of the adhoc; consider point people to coordinate.
- C. Centennial Committee (D'Arcy)
  - Jacquie Fletcher will rejoin the Leadership Work shop traditionally offered at the annual meeting. Considering an introductory leadership workshop along with additional professional development activities.
  - The committee proposes a structure of five sub committees, each with a chair from the base committee. They will be asked to prepare listings of items under their purview.
  - They are in discussion with various committees for historical sessions leading up to the 2008 meeting. These programs leading up to the centennial meeting will be included in the budget of and sponsored by the SPB. Consideration of a budget augmentation can be discussed at midyear.
  - They are requesting continued committee support in terms of conference calls. They request to appoint two members; Allison Tally to replace Molly Cline and Erin Rosskopf as Director of SPB

#### 4. Action items (Bergstrom)

- A. Items tabled from committee and board recommendations
  - (1) Financial actions

- The addition of \$25K per month for three months to the operating reserve fund for a total of \$75K, vote requested – **Motion** carried
- SPB Motion and suggestion from FAC for increase in budget for program planning: We have one motion from SPB on this issue for an increase to \$40,000. Vote requested – 6 in favor, 8 opposed. FAC proposes motion to increase the budget for the annual meeting to \$35,000 (attached). Vote requested – **Motion** carried
- Increase institutional subscription rates by 8%; **tabled** until October Fac discussions.

**Appreciation to outgoing Council members (Bergstrom):** Jacque F., Carol I., Richard B., Arv G., and Albert C.

**Meeting Adjourned**

**Items for new APS Council (MacDonald)**

Jim expressed his thanks to Gary for his service to Council.

Gary appointed as parliamentarian

A. Welcome to new Council members: Jan Leach, Gerald Holmes, Tom Evans, and Barb Christ.

B. Reappointment of ad hoc committees:

- Centennial Planning -
- Private Practitioners -
- Early Career Professionals – received motion for creation of a standing committee  
**Motion:** Council approve the proposal to create an early career professionals standing committee.(This motion inadvertently not called for vote; approved by Exec at retreat on October 1, 2004.)
- Plant Path Priorities
- Emerging Pathogens...
- Journal Issues
- -Request received for a new adhoc committee on microbial forensics from J. Fletcher
- -Emeritus members have expressed interested in more interaction/involvement; possibly the formation of an adhoc.

C. Dates and nature of Midyear Council meeting (Feb 17-20, 2005)

- Tabled motion from last year's annual meeting regarding who attends midyear council. Motion to bring this off the table for resolution by electronic ballot – motion carried.

D. Other?

**Motion** to adjourn - carried