

Exec/FAC Conference Call Agenda for June 14, 2005

Present: Jim M., Gary B., John A., Ray M., Danise B., Mike E., Rose G., Steve N., Marci S., Barbara M.

Absent: Erik S., Jan L.

1. Approval of minutes from April 6, 2005 call (attached)
No Discussion: **Motion to approve, seconded; passed unanimously**
2. Updates/Announcements
 - a. Gail Schumann asked to be relieved early (Anton Baudoin). Anton will begin his term January 06.
 - b. Rose Gergerich request to step down. This was clarified in that she expressed concern over the amount of time she had been discouraged by Press' inability to make budget due to late book projects. However, following a conference call with the Board, she felt things were coming together better.
-Looking for her successor; EIC-elect to train through next year – proposed that the EIC-elect specifically work with the new acquisition editors
 - c. Summit meeting report (attachment).
 - SN – explore resurrection of ISCPP
 - Plans to continue with summit; expand group; tri-societies expressed desire to organize the fall meeting
 - d. HOC retreat in October (to address question of taking on other societies)
 - Will continue to investigate the issue
 - SN/AH meeting with CRS in Miami this week to further evaluate
 - e. Request from USDA (Kent Smith) to engage in NPDRS. Grant proposal involved.
 - They would like APS assistance with review materials and granting
 - What group in APS would/could carry out these efforts?
 - Could use Soybean Rust as a model
 - JM - Discuss further with Kent & USDA
 1. who would initiate the grant proposal?
 2. who would initiate the review process?
 - f. NSABB – Ann Vidaver has been appointed to that board
 - g. Chair vacancy on PPB – next chair to begin 8/05
 - Stella has agreed to take on a one-year term as chair through 7/06 if Jim M. agrees to serve one year concurrent as member. Would appoint an interim chair to serve 05-06 as well and become the new chair in 06. J. Steadman has been approached in this regard
 - PPB will discuss this on their next call for approval and come back to council
3. Financial Issues
 - a. Barbara Mock on board as new financial officer
 - b. April 30 “year-to-date” financial summary (attached)
 - B. Mock confirmed that the sales tax audit was related to the online purchase of computer equipment from 01-04 for which the auditor determined taxes were due
 - c. TIA – going forward with arbitration in house; each society covers \$1500 of the cost
 - APS potentially could pay ½ of \$19,000 discrepancy
4. Appointments
 - a. Treasurer position stands as unfinished business from Mid-year.
 - b. APS Press: Rose is working on nominees for new EIC and will go to pub board for approval and then to council. EIC-Elect to begin service Jan 06
5. Leadership Forum
 - a. Summary of follow-ups from last year's Forum. Review of strategic plan/financial plan

- JM – send draft agenda to SN/MS by tomorrow PM
 - b. APS/Industry relations (Vince Morton...plus guests including Bill Dolezal, Pam Marrone, Chet Sutula, Phyllis Himmel)
 - c. APS strategic objectives in public affairs and education (OPAE with Doug Jardine)
 - Review their relation to PPB and how they should interact
 - JM – work with Doug beforehand to provide a summary of projects, overview of OPAE since inception, etc.
- 6. Council meeting agenda items. What issues do people want brought to the table?
 - a. PPB – Eversole to report on Saturday
 - MS – send Jim M. action list and highlight items to address in Austin
- 7. Status of the Crop Biosecurity Committee (see text below)
 - Motion to change to a special committee, seconded; passed unanimously
 - DB – contact Jim Stack with change and request update of committee members, etc.
- 8. Review list of action items (attachment)
 - MS – forward summary from 04 forum to Jim M. electronically (action 67)
 - MS – send Gary list of affiliates to contact for the meeting in Austin
- 9. Other
 - a. Phytopathology Adhoc: Received a good response on the survey (around 1100)

MS – look at other open positions to fill – send to Jim

Meeting Adjourned