

APS Exec/Fac Conference Call
March 8, 2006 – 9:00 AM CT

Present: Jim M., Danise B., Allison T., Ray M., John A., Randy R., Rose G., Erik S., Jan L., Steve N., Barb M., Tom E., Marci S.
Absent: Wayne W.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** (Jan 23 and midyear exec/fac) Opened for discussion of these minutes; no changes proposed: approved by general consent
2. **Centennial Committee Issues:** Discussed the finances involved for the 08 meeting. Exec approved APS supporting the cost of the "birthday" party and redirecting the current allotted monies to the science portion of the program. Danise verified from past minutes/motions that council will have allocated a total of \$30,000 by 2008 above what has been raised by the committee.
3. **Virology Symposium request:** Request for APS sponsorship for the 10th International Plant Virus Epidemiology Symposium "Controlling epidemics of emerging and established plant virus diseases - the way forward", Fall 2007. from the Chairman of the Plant Virus Epidemiology Committee of the International Society for Plant Pathology. Discussed who could or should sponsor.

John A. - will respond to the email suggesting they contact the virology committee chair and OIP directly.

Motion: Decline the request, no precedent, no budget, nor any mechanism within council; passed unanimously
4. **Request to sponsor two students or ECP to attend ASM Kadner leadership institute:** John presented the request from SPB for discussion.

Motion: Approve the request of SPB to provide travel support for two students to attend the ASM Kadner leadership institute; requesting attendees will write a report describing the meeting to Council to determine if the format can be modified to fit the needs of APS and its members; passed unanimously
5. **Strategic plan report and evolving OEC role in APS:** Danise expressed the need for council to respond to the reports from midyear (on the strategic plan). OEC expressed that their role has changed over time and request help to redefine that. Discussed whether OEC should be reviewed at Council in Quebec.

John A. – will contact Darin with suggestions such as assisting OPAE with commodity group work as well as review the Andrews Publication Committee report and determine if OEC can champion specific issues raised
6. **Other business:**

SPB – workshops at the annual meeting have not been well attended

Rose G. - will contact Erin to discuss

John has contacted all awardees except Anne Desjardins

The next scheduled call is April 12, 2006 at 9:00 AM CT

Call adjourned at 10:13 am