

**APS Exec / FAC Conference Call Minutes**  
**October 22, 2007 - 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM, EDT**

1. Roll call (M. Smith): Danise B., Randy R., Jan L., John R., Ray M., Margery D., Barb C., Mike B., Steve N., Michelle B., Marci S., Jim M.  
Absent: Wayne W.
2. Approval of minutes of 9-12-07 conference call – see attachment  
-clarify under #2 that ICPP is in 2008: **call for vote to approved; passed unanimously**
3. Finalize our position on the bid / support of the 2013 International Congress of Plant Pathology (ICPP):  
-Council's response to this bid was mostly split – no firm consensus. CPS has been contacted and is willing to join APS on a joint bid for this congress. We have also been approached by both the Chinese (written request) and Korean (verbal) societies for support of their bids for the congress.  
**-Motion to support the Chinese bid for the 2013 congress and drop our own bid; seconded: vote called; motion passed unanimously**  
**Ray will draft letter to CSPP and notify Tom Evans (lead Rep to ISPP) of our intent.**
4. Review and move on the draft membership and publication agreements with the Chinese Society of Plant Pathology (CSPP) – see attachment  
**-Forward agreement proposal to Pubs board (Margo Daub) first (Ray);** indicating there will be a council call to discuss the agreement soon.
5. Officer's Retreat update (see attachment)  
-need to follow-up on action items and get full minutes out to Exec/FAC
6. Centennial meeting update (Moyer / staff).  
Staff Update: Centennial Update - Staff met on 10/17 for an update on Centennial activities.  
The internal timeline for projects was reviewed. Majority of efforts are on track; Cook/Pederson are visiting archives in Ames this week, timeline content is slowly coming together everyone is encouraged to check the items currently posted on the web (<http://www.apsnet.org/centennial/timeline.asp>) and submit missing items at (<http://www.apsnet.org/centennial/timeline.aspx>), images are needed for this project. There are several special events for the meeting itself that need final approval and details developed including: Emeritus Social at HQ, Tours of HQ, Group photo at meeting, live broadcasts of plenary/posting on web after meeting, alumni social displays, timeline/display floorplan, daycare onsite, invitations to VIP list (needs to be developed), off-site locations for special events, community project. These will be discussed/finalized with Martyn, Moyer and Christ in November prior to the SPB meeting.  
-brochure is being held for final speaker on water and public health  
-Exec/FAC encouraged to review timeline on APSnet and submit suggestions/comments  
-need more image content; Kurt Schroeder putting these together  
-Special, personal, communication campaign to Emeritus group; encouraging their attendance and conveying what will be offered (Steve N.)
7. International Plant Protection Congress, NE Division and CAST update (Martyn)  
-Ray participated in both meetings this past week. There were around 1,000 attendees at IPPC. Ray presented at the closing ceremony; extending the invitation to Hawaii meeting.

8. CSREES Plant and Pest Biology Stakeholders Workshop (Washington DC, Nov 20).  
Martyn to attend and present APS' research and education priorities.  
**-Ray will send draft to Michelle to format for meeting.**
9. Plant Management Network MOU with ASA / CSSA near completion  
-We hope to have final for signatures at the Tri-Societies meeting
10. USDA Citrus Greening workshop, Washington DC (December). Martyn will attend if possible, if not J. Moyer:  
-Phil Berger invited Ray to attend on behalf of APS. Will most likely be the first or second week of December. Ray will let Jacque F. know of this invitation.
11. Ad hoc committee updates
  - a. Auxillary meetings and workshops (Hope) See notes:  
The group has had two conference calls since the annual meeting and will continue to meet monthly at least until midyear. So far we've reviewed the revised charge of the committee and discussed staff's core competencies in relation to face-to-face and electronic meetings, the current list of meetings on which headquarters is working, the role of SPB in developing and producing workshops, the current meeting activities of Divisions and their possible role of in the execution of auxiliary meetings, and the financial model utilized by APS Press. Our next call will focus on preparation for the upcoming SPB meeting and the possible international scope of auxiliary meetings.
  - b. **Culture Collections:** The first National Culture Collection System Workshop is confirmed for November 13-14 in Beltsville, Maryland. The invitation list has been confirmed, 18 individuals will participate, with representation from ARS, APHIS, CSREES, NSF, PPB, Culture Collections Ad-Hoc, Academia, Syngenta Seeds, and Bigelow Laboratories. The agenda is currently being finalized to address the goals for the workshop which include:
    - Define the National Culture Collection System critical components.
    - Define the structure of a National Culture Collection System.
    - Identify avenues for its development and perpetual maintenance.
    - Define initial efforts toward implementation of NCCS framework.
    - Define how the NCCS would interface with an International Culture Collection System (ICCS).
    - Discuss strategies for future planning efforts.
    - Produce a white paper entitled "NCCS Model for the Future."
  - c. Leadership Development – committee members selected, need formal charge letter (A. Tally, J. Ristaino, J. Starr, T. Mitchell, P. Harmon, N. Russo)
12. Other  
- Use next Nov Exec/FAC call for council discussion of CSPP agreement. Council will be notified after Pubs board has been contacted for their review.