

Exec/FAC Conference Call

May 19, 2004, 10 AM Eastern Time (9 Central, 8 Mountain, 7 Pacific)

Present: Gary B., Richard B., Ray M., John A., Carol I., Jacque F., Rose G., Steve and Marci

Absent: Jim M. and Erik S

Agenda

I. Very brief updates

A. Annual meeting updates: Jim Steadman is chairing the discussion on APHIS permitting issues from 1-3 PM on Wednesday in Anaheim. Joyce Loper and Anne Vidaver are putting something together for the forum on Friday. This committee will most likely be reappointed for the coming year.

Discussed invitations to president's of affiliate societies; including plans for a luncheon to follow the plenary at noon (informal exchange); will overlap with forensics sessions and foundation and division luncheons.

B. Caribbean Division meeting: Current licensing regulations being enforced disqualify us under both general and specific guidelines. University administrations are not in support of travel to the meeting either legally or financially. Many not attending.

C. CPS 75th Anniversary Meeting: Gary will attend. APSnet has a recognition statement in this regard.

D. Friend of APS Award: This award was initiated by PPB and is being offered to K. Frazier and G. Korch this year. John Sherwood is formalizing a motion to council for the MoO in this regard. We need a decision on when this will be presented. Possibly at the Pres. Reception or the Plenary Luncheon. This award will not be handled by the awards committee but will be a distinction made by council.

E. Ad hoc committee progress:

Plant Path Priorities: making notable progress

Private Practice: C. Mellinger will have something prepared prior to Anaheim

We plan to set up a conference call within the next few weeks to discuss structure of Bio Security related committees. Possibilities include merging this SIR committee with D. Lusters adhoc committee. Also, Microbial Forensics inclusion is being considered – may logically fit under this umbrella.

F. other:

Canadian Entomologists and the Tri-societies are also getting involved in the bio security area

II. Preliminary discussion of Leadership Forum on July 30.

There are three focus sessions:

1. Int'l Role of APS (developed countries), R. Ploetz (G. Abawi/G. Hughes):
An adhoc committee of Councilors Forum is developing a motion to propose ambassadorships with three other societies; inviting them to the annual meeting

and considering joint memberships and other collaborative efforts. Ray will notify Randy of this endeavor.

2. Plant Pathology Priorities, J. Loper:

3. Intragovernance Communications, C. Ishimaru: The adhoc, including Carol, staff, and the Committee on Committees is currently contacting other societies to see what their structures are like and how communication is facilitated. The adhoc will develop a title for this session.

We will also take a look at the Strategic Plan and possibly have breakout sessions to discuss “what will bring the greatest value to the membership in the future”. The goal being development of a list we can further pursue. This should be focused on future impact and not current strategies (idea generation/innovation)

This should be done or at least begun early in the day for optimum results.

Other updates: Current key strategies and initiatives (either at Forum or Council on Saturday)

-Microbial Forensics

-PMN

-Journals – J. Andrews plans to have a report in hand at the meeting or at least an update.

**Materials for the leadership forum and council should be posted at least one week prior to the meeting

III. FAC agenda items: Through March statements we experienced a good bottom line. Journals are doing well to budget as are expenses, \$223,000 surplus. (Tortilla Industry partnership is providing some overhead.)

IV. other items: The midyear date for Council should be set prior to Anaheim. February 18-20, 2005 seems to work well for most.

Marci – Check with Jim. M. and then propose to council.

Arrivals in Anaheim on Thursday. Gary will send the invite for dinner on Thursday, July 29, 2004 to the leaders involved in the Forum (GB, JM, JA, JF, CI, ES, RP, JL)

V. Tentative future Exec/Fac conference calls: The next call is set for June 17, 10 AM Eastern (9 Central)

Marci – send out for response