



Committee Chair & Vice Chair Onboarding

June 10, 2020



Welcome

- **Peter Ojiambo**
Senior Councilor-at-Large
- **Katy Stevenson**
Councilor-at-Large
- **David Gent**
Councilor-at-Large



Webinar Etiquette

- Submit questions via the **Q&A text box**, not Chat message
- Experiencing technical difficulties? Send a **Chat message** to Host, Bryan Mowry.
- Recording of today's presentation will be available in a few days and posted on the APS website.

<https://www.apsnet.org/members/leadership/apsleadership/Pages/CommitteeChairOrientation.aspx>



Councilors-at-Large (CALs)

- Serve as a conduit between committees and Council
- Provide support for committee ideas
- Help committees increase year-round activity
- Answer questions
- Join your meetings as they are able

2019–2020 CALs

Senior CAL: Peter Ojiambo

CAL: Katy Stevenson

CAL: David Gent

2020–2021 CALs

Katy Stevenson

David Gent

Courtney Gallup





Incoming Councilor-at-Large

Courtney Gallup

Corteva Agriscience

- Will begin term at the close of Plant Health 2020 Online

Councilors-at-Large (CALs) Committee Liaisons

Peter Ojiambo/Courtney Gallup	Katy Stevenson	David Gent
Collections & Germplasm	Extension	Early Career Professionals
Graduate Student	Regulatory Plant Pathology	Industry
Bioengineering Applications	Diversity & Equality	Bacteriology
Evolutionary Genetics & Genomics	Teaching	Biological Control
Molecular & Cellular Phytopathology	Diagnostics	Chemical Control
Nematology	Diseases of Ornamental Plants	Crop Loss Assessment & Risk Evaluation (CLARE)
Pathogen Resistance	Forest Pathology	Emerging Diseases & Pathogens
Postharvest Pathology	Integrated Plant Disease Management	Epidemiology
Seed Pathology	Plant Pathogen & Disease Detection	Host Resistance
Tropical Plant Pathology	Soil Microbiology & Root Diseases	Mycology
Vector-Pathogen Complexes	Turfgrass Pathology	Mycotoxigenology
	Virology	Phyllosphere Microbiology

Thank
you!





Today's Agenda

- Review APS vision and priorities
- How your committees/offices fit into the vision and structure of APS
 - committee/offices roles and relationships
- Councilors' Challenge



APS Vision & Mission Statements

- **VISION:** APS will be a diverse global community of scientists that: **provides credible and beneficial information** related to plant health; advocates and participates in the **exchange of knowledge** with the public, policy makers, and the larger scientific community; and promotes and provides **opportunities for scientific communication**.
- **MISSION:** Discover and disseminate new knowledge of plant systems worldwide to meet humanity's need for safe and nutritious food, affordable fiber, sustainable forests, and verdant landscapes; and promote the development and adoption of economically and environmentally sustainable practices to ensure plant health.

Current APS Strategic Priorities

- Secure the future of APS as a leading source of plant health knowledge dissemination.
- Strengthen APS as a global professional organization for plant health science.
- Foster innovative conference strategies to meet members needs and expectations for knowledge exchange and networking.





2020–2021 Council Key Messages

Growth & Innovation: Progress toward strategic priorities

1. APS as a leading source of plant health knowledge

- Investment in APS publications:

- Launch GROW-Plant Health Exchange
- Transition MPMI to open access in January 2021
- Launch *PhytoFrontiers* as a new open access journal with broad scope in 2020
- Promote research and education regarding emerging & re-emerging pathogens
- Continue to publish in our journals
- Focus on on-line educational resources during pandemic

2020–2021 Council Key Messages



Growth & Innovation: Progress toward strategic priorities

2. APS as a global professional organization for plant health science

- Enhance membership programs:
 - Increase APS early career and mid-career membership value
 - Increase engagement in APS
 - Deliver high-value member benefits
- Increase engagement of plant health professionals outside the U.S. in APS by developing and/or strengthening ties with sister societies as feasible through Office of International Programs (OIP)
- Engage industry through Office of Private Sector Relations (OPSR) and promote plant health sciences as exciting career options through Office of Public Relations Outreach (OPRO)



2020–2021 Council Key Messages

Growth & Innovation: Progress toward strategic priorities

3. Foster innovative conference strategies

- **Re-imagine the annual meeting:**
 - Incorporate virtualized sessions into the Annual Meeting including live streaming, pre-recorded sessions and ePosters as examples
 - Continue to incorporate innovation and enhancements to programming and networking that provide ‘stickiness’ and increased engagement

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www.apsnet.org/meetings/annual/planthealth2020



Committees

- Focus for leadership in subject matter and policy
- Crucial role in keeping APS a vibrant and vital organization, connected to its grassroots
- Help APS members achieve their goals



Your Excellence Drives Our Success

More than 1300+ APS members volunteer to:

- Run the society's governance
- Inform public policy
- Develop program content
- Review manuscripts
- Edit/review journals and other publications
- Conduct outreach activities
- Organize research, networking, and development activities



COMMITTEES

Awards & Honors Committee

Leadership Institute Committee (LI)

Nominations Committee

Subject Matter & General Policy Committees



DIVISIONS

Caribbean

Northeastern

Potomac

North Central

Pacific

Southern



OFFICES/BOARDS/FORUMS

Office of Education (OE)

Office of International Programs (OIP)

Office of Private Sector Relations (OPSR)

Office of Public Relations & Outreach (OPRO)

2026 Professional Development Forum

Academic Unit Leaders Forum (AULF)

Annual Meeting Board (AMB)

Divisional Forum (DF)

Foundation Board

Public Policy Board (PPB)

Publications Board



EDITORIAL BOARDS

plant disease

MPMI
Molecular Plant-Microbe Interactions

Phytopathology

Phytobiomes
Journal



Plant Health Progress

Phytopathology News

PhytoFrontiers

Grow
Plant Health Exchange

Plant Health Instructor

PDMR
Plant Disease Management Reports



COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Internal Comm. Officer (ICO)

Treasurer

Past President

President

President Elect

Vice President

Executive Vice President

Sr. Councilor-at-Large

Councilor-at-Large

Councilor-at-Large

Divisional Councilor

Publications Councilor

Financial Advisory Committee (FAC)

Ad-hoc Committees

- Appointed Officers/Leaders
- Elected Officers
- Ex-officio Council Members
- Elected Councilors/Leaders
- Appointed Councilors
- Constitutional Structure



Committee Leadership

General Policy & Subject Matter Committees

Chair

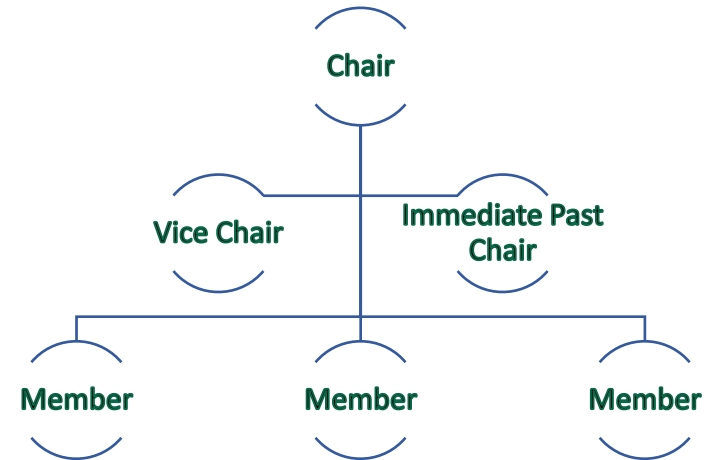
- 1–2-year term
- Limit of 2 consecutive terms
- May only serve as chair or vice-chair of one of the same committee type at a time

Vice-Chair

- 1–2-year term, then moves up to Chair
- Elected by committee members

Members

- [All committee members](http://www.apsnet.org/members/leadership/apsleadership/Pages/CommitteeChairOrientation) serve a 3-year term, renewable at the committees' discretion.
- All APS members are welcome, may serve on as many committees as interested
- Encourage participation, especially students and post-doctorates, who are also eligible for chair & vice-chair roles





Committee Activities

- Support and communicate the APS Vision and Mission to the membership
- Help develop new services, products, and online sessions
- Provide input on public policy
- Recognize key contributions via the APS Volunteer Award – *nominations close June 30*
- Nominate and promote candidates for offices and committee leadership, and awards
- Build professional networks
- Drive priorities of APS in relation to your committee's area of focus!



Committee Schedule

- Hold your meeting **one week prior** to Plant Health 2020 Online
- Schedule will be provided by APS Staff

Brief Guide

■ Prior to the virtual APS Meeting

- Develop meaningful and reasonable agenda with input from members
- Obtain Vice-Chair nominations
- Utilize APS Zoom meetings
- Delegate a representative if chair/vice-chair cannot attend

■ Maximize committee meeting time

- Complete routine agenda items prior to this meeting
- Focus on strategic planning, brainstorming, networking...

■ During committee meeting

- Welcome & introductions; focus on agenda, encourage participation, clarify
- Record decisions & action items, assign tasks to members

■ After committee meeting

- Record & post minutes within one week of meeting
- Communicate with CALs, initiate agenda planning for next meeting and year-round



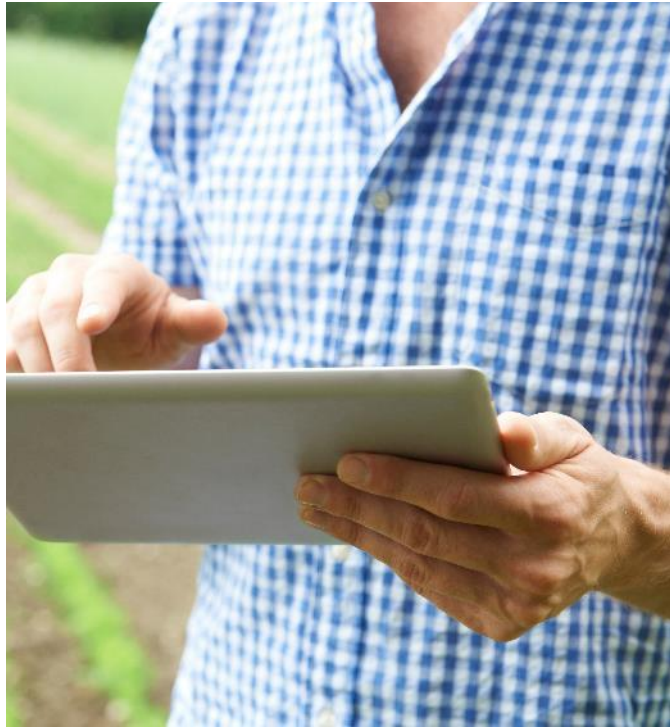
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Annual Report

- Submit your report online by **August 31, 2020**
- Watch tutorial on how to submit your report:
[www.apsnet.org/members/leadership/apsleadership/
Pages/CommitteeChairOrientation](http://www.apsnet.org/members/leadership/apsleadership/Pages/CommitteeChairOrientation)
- Online report form:
www.apsnet.org/_layouts/15/apsforms/commreports

2021 Councilors' Challenge



Digital Resources for Teaching and Communicating Plant Pathology

- **Challenge:** Develop instructional videos and other digital resources that can be used by educators to teach concepts in plant pathology.
- **Apply online:** June 8–October 16, 2020



Additional questions, comments, or ideas?

- **Contact** any Councilor-at-Large
- **Committee Quick References:**
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