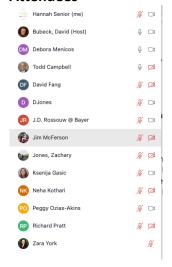
# 16 February, 1.00pm EST NAPB EC Meeting + Committee Chairs

#### **Attendees**



### **Minutes from January Meeting**

Minutes Approved - Moved Peggy, Seconded Ksenija, no objections

### **Action Log**

Shared and updated – by end of meeting 10 items remain

#### Financial Update – Don Jones

Don is awaiting the financial position as at January 31<sup>st</sup> 2021, but estimates a balance of approximately \$250k once the Nebraska meeting has been fully paid & NIFA grant received. Of this about \$50k will be invested.

## Strategic Planning Committee - Todd Campbell

The committee met in January and is establishing what the annual review process should look like, in particular the timing. After some discussion, the following was agreed:

- Committees will provide Annual Reports at the June 15<sup>th</sup> meeting (last all-committee EC before the annual meeting)
- This information will be used by the Strategic Planning review process mid June to mid July
- The committee will provide a paper for discussion at July 20<sup>th</sup> EC meeting.
- The output from this review process will be shared at the Annual Meeting (August)

#### Annual Meeting Locations 2023 – 2025 – Dave Bubeck

After reviewing previous host locations and identifying gaps & locations, the following list was discussed:

Potential Academic Hosts	Potential Private Sector Hosts
• Clemson	Corteva IA (likely supporting &
<ul><li>Purdue</li></ul>	involved in the Iowa State 2022
<ul> <li>Uni Minnesota</li> </ul>	meeting)
<ul> <li>Uni Illinois</li> </ul>	Bayer MO
Colorado State	<ul> <li>BASF (could support with NC State</li> </ul>
Kansas State	using old Bayer facilities)
Oklahoma State	

It was felt that it would be important for host locations to actively want the NAPB meeting to be held there, so sounding out level of interest was the best way to proceed.

- Ksenija will explore, along with Steve Kresovich, Clemson hosting in 2023 likely in Charleston.
- JD Rossouw will explore the idea of Bayer hosting in St Louis in 2024 would be a good opportunity to incorporate the startup landscape.

## Progress for 2021 Annual Meeting – Dave Bubeck

The Organising Committee are making good progress – they have outlined the sessions (moderators / topics) & have ideas for speakers / participants. JD Rossouw described how the Commercial Plant Breeding Committee will support a session on Sustainability – how different organisations (companies / public sector) are addressing it.

Various workshops are also being considered. A student / social session is expected on Sunday before the meeting. The Organising Committee has allocated slots for the 2020 NAPB Awardees.

Work has been ongoing to obtain bids from potential IT / remote conference providers. This includes Open Water (who supported Nebraska 2020 conference), university conference providers and the Seed World Group.

Being a virtual meeting it was felt desirable to advertise to international plant breeders – members of the African Plant Breeding Association & other continents. Work is ongoing to resolve the pricing.

#### **Standing Committee Reports by exception:**

### **Borlaug Scholars – Don Jones**

The next session is organised with speakers lined up for March 2<sup>nd</sup>. This event has been entirely organised by the scholars themselves.

### Membership - D Fang

A number of people have asked for a certificate of membership, especially if they have been a member for several years.

<sup>\*\*</sup>see end note

In discussion it was clarified that access can provide records of people with continuous membership over 5 years but not beyond 2015. It was felt that recognising long term membership was desirable if the Membership Committee can progress this.

#### Awards Committee - Jim McFerson

The Awards Committee are soon to begin advertising for the upcoing cycle of nominations. There is space for one-two more persons on the committee. Jim pointed out that nominations for the Friends of Plant Breeding Award (which is optional) will have to come from EC.

ACTION - add Friends of Plant Breeding agenda to March EC agenda

Meeting closed 19.00

\*\* Subsequent to the main meeting Peggy Ozias Akins highlighted that a policy for Meeting Workshops was voted on and is included in the Meeting Organisation SOP. Dave also noted that this year's example of engagement in the Meeting planning process by the current NAPB President & organisers from the previous and next year's committee was working well.