

NAPB Agenda for Tuesday, 15 March 2016

1 p.m. CDT  
Attendance  
Don Blackburn  
Don Jones  
Kate Evans  
Arron Carter  
Jim McFerson  
Aaron Lorenz  
Tom Koch  
Araby Belcher

- I. Approval of Minutes
  - No corrections, stand as written
- II. Review/Modify Agenda
  - No modifications
- III. Treasurer Report: Don Jones

## National Association of Plant Breeders

### Balance Sheet 2/29/2016

	2/29/2016	2/28/2015
	TOTAL	TOTAL
Assets		
Cash	144,202.40	67,833.35
Accounts Receivable - *	5,000.00	0.00
Total Assets	<u>149,202.40</u>	<u>67,833.35</u>
Liabilities		
Net Assets	150,495.98	72,445.38
Current Year Income	<u>(1,293.58)</u>	<u>(4,612.03)</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>149,202.40</u>	<u>67,833.35</u>
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	<u>149,202.40</u>	<u>67,833.35</u>

Sponsorship letters have been mailed. Checks will mailed directly to Lynn. Only one (Gates Foundation) has returned a no support response. Dow support received in March.

- Kate Evans: Note that the budget expenses are not finalized from the Pullman meeting so more money will come out of the account to pay remaining expenses

IV. Annual Meeting updated: Don Jones

speakers confirmed, field tour and speakers confirmed, route set, registration on line along with links to maps, FAQ, etc... sample shirts and bucket hats OKed and ordered, letters sent to companies asking for contributions - several have responded positively, annual meeting advertisement developed and in the hands of SeedWorld. Seed World will be listed as a sponsor and NAPB will pay travel expense again for Shawn Brooks. Seed World will again contribute interviews and advertisement.

Still need a link for abstract submission

Need information about IP meeting - receiving calls about it; Don Jones noted that NAPB added 60 rooms for Saturday night to the contract by request to accommodate a Saturday meeting day for this. There were a couple of thoughts expressed about the IP schedule; a one day event or two half-day event (Saturday and Sunday).

Allowing 40 minutes per speaker including Q&A this year. 2 Award speakers and 11 other speakers.

Space is limited for pre-conference Monday tour of NCSU AES and Thursday tours of SAS and Cotton Incorporated; so they will be first come first serve

Aaron Carter is working on the abstract submission link and poster guidelines. The NAPB conference page will link to a poster information page and the submission link

V. Update on search for new Secretary for the NAPB Executive Committee

- a. Suggestions received? – no suggestions have been received
- b. Advertising? – Wayne Smith suggested that a call for nominations go out on the webpage and May newsletter

VI. “Hot topics” , social media management : Candice Hirsch

- a. Hot Topics site is up and running
- b. Any issues?
- c. Who sunsets items?

Candice Hirsch written comments: I will not be on the call next week. Here are a few updates based on what is included in the agenda.

1. In addition to the secretary, my position as web editor will need to be filled as this is the last year of my term
2. Hot topics will become only news items as soon as we have the community calendar up and running
3. Community calendar update - I spoke with Ian a few weeks ago and he is writing up a statement of work to develop the community calendar

Candy

VII. Status of open calendar on web site: Candice Hirsch

See item VI from Candice.

VIII. PBCC items: Sherman, Gore, Lubberstedt, Evans?

- a. Status of state reps list – 36 states have reps now. There was not an automatic transfer of reps – leaving some gaps. States with reps needed are Florida (was Tillman?), Idaho, North Carolina, North Dakota, and Oregon (was James Meyers?). If anyone has contacts in these states then please visit with possible reps or previous reps
  - i. Reps serve as the contact point for information that goes out from the PBCC; they serve as the link between the PBCC and contacts with upper administration at State Land Grant Institutions
- b. White paper on internships (posted on NAPB site?) – Kate reported that Thomas Lubberstedt has the white paper ready. Wayne Smith suggested that Kate send the final white paper to the executive committee for final approval and posting if approved. Lubberstedt would like a dedicated website link for internship with available opportunities and PBCC protocol.

IX. Status of membership lists with TriSocieties – no information presented. Will carryover to next meeting.

X. Updates from committees

- a. Advocacy: JimMcFerson –The NAPB signed on to a letter to urge the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to recommend ratification of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture. This letter is supported by ASTA, the Tri-Societies, and numerous land grant universities and organizations.
- b. NAPB supported 2 students, Leah Ruff and Vivian Bernau for the TriSocieties Congressional Visit Day in DC. A report will be developed for NAPB EC and web site.
- c. Communications: Todd Campbell – next newsletter will go out at the end of March. It will include Annual Meeting Information, Student Capitol Hill visits, and Call for Award Nominations. Wayne Smith will look for last year's award call for nominations letter and work with Todd and others.
- d. Education: Aaron Carter (Loren Trimble not present – webinar series has started and has been publicized. Plant Breeding videos have been judged and results are being compiled. The winner will be announced shortly and the video played at the Annual Meeting.
- e. Membership: Aaron Lorenz – did not have a March membership meeting. There are currently 193 members. A recruitment slide was created to be played at the beginning and end of the webinars. A reminder was just sent for people to join NAPB. A social media working group has been suggested that cuts across other committees. The Graduate Student Working Group will probably have their own social media outlets separate from the base NAPB. There has been some email activity on the membership and membership recruitment lists.
- f. Meeting: Don Jones – see notes above.
- g. Grad Student Working Group: Araby Belcher reported for the GSWG: (Leah Ruff email input is below. Araby reported that the group continues to work on getting at minimum

of six Professional Plant Breeder Profiles for the NAPB website. She expressed appreciation for the poster edits.

Leah Ruff written comments: I will not be able to call in tomorrow because of CVD attendance, but another grad student liaison, Araby Belcher, will call in.

Attached is an updated version of the poster our group has drafted. Thank you everyone for the edits/comments, they were very helpful for making improvements. We added a map with previous locations of meetings, please let us know of any typos. We will continue to take comments on the poster unless you think it is ok to print?

The poster creation credit goes to Leah Ruff, Sarah Turner (UW-Madison), Anna Levina (Cornell), & Stephanie Verhoff (Ohio State Univ).

- XI. Updates from Liaisons
  - a. ASTA: Donn Cummings
  - b. NCCPB: Tom Koch

Tom Koch reported that Klaus joined the NCCPB meeting at ASTA recently and advocated for a closer working relationship with NAPB and Don Blackburn noted that Klaus was in DC per an invitation from ASTA. Marcello K., president of NCCPB is interested in collaboration in the area of new breeding techniques.

- XII. Strategic Planning task force – no information presented.