

Minutes from the NAPB Board meeting 7-21 2015

Present: Barry Tillman; Candy Hirsch; David Francis ; Jim McFerson ; Klaus Koehler; Shelby Ellison, Don Jones; Donn Cummings; Leah Ruff; Bill Tracy; Don Blackburn;

Barry Tillman, chairing
Klaus Koehler, minutes

Approval of agenda

Approval of minutes from March Telecom: Bill Tracy Moved, Unanimously approved.

Regrets:

- 1) Don Jones (Treasurers Report) Good income from donations.
Monsanto matched Donn Cummings donation.
- 2) Membership Committee (Don Jones)
 - a. Update on ACSESS progress on membership portal.
Fee based membership site is up and running. Please test the site to see if it is working well.
Donn: Will this be discussed at the annual meeting. Don Jones will discuss this at the business meeting on Tuesday morning.
Action: Don Jones will compile a set of arguments for the reasoning for this step in NAPB and prepare a slide by the end of Wednesday of this week.
- 3) Advocacy Committee Update (Bill Tracy)

ASTA statement on breeding and crop development. Bill proposes for NAPB to endorse this statement. The Executive Committee would endorse it. Don B. and Donn C. support to endorse it. PBCC reviewed this as well and used it to get ideas for the re-write proposal. David Francis: The advocacy committee will discuss it and then present it to the Executive Committee for endorsement. We currently do not have a clear process. Ultimately we may want to develop a voting mechanism for the whole NAPB membership to vote for this kind of proposal. This needs to be discussed more long-term. David Francis: we need to make a faster decision. So for now we need to find a way to endorse with the Exec committee. Donn C.: we could have a comment period for a proposal and if no comment.

Proposal: The advocacy committee to develop and propose a formal process within NAPB to endorse external policy statements or approval of internally developed ones. This would include to evaluate when to have NAPB Exec. Comm. endorsements and when to have membership.

Bill Tracy: Survey on plant property protection has 60% participation. This will give some good information for discussion next summers meeting.
- 4) Interactions with CSSA (David Francis)

On May 26 we participated in a call with a CSSA board meeting. Charly Brummer was there. We had agreed to create a working group. We decided to meet Tuesday evening. It is unclear whether we should have a working group. Do we have an active liaison. We have ASTA D. C and D.B, CCPB T. Koch. Who else should we ask the working group? A mix of people that are involved with CSSA and those that are not. We need to ensure that we follow up on ideas. With ASTA we agreed to collaborate on the plant germplasm system but there was no follow up on that. David will send out a message to the EC to see who from CSSA will be there. Have the Exec. Comm. meet with the CSSA next week and find out what

the subjects would be. We could then form a project- focused working group with leadership. Our relationship with CSSA is 'like walking eggs". We might be seen as a takeover target by CSSA. We may help to broaden the discussion. The working group the we put together would need to include representation from non-seed crops and non-seed-propagated crops. Who should we have on our working group? It should include non-CSSA people. Who should we include from the non-seed crop side? Jim McFerson: to suggest a few people to be invited.

5) Annual Meeting Update (Jim McFerson, Kate Evans)

- a. Registrations
Late 225 total registrations
- b. Sponsorship and Budget
Estimated budget: (See summary budget document)= currently 37000 in the bank. Will be a profitable meeting (~25,000 in 2015). In the past similar meetings. The attendance is similar to what we had in MSP. This is very good for Pullman. Have laptops available at the meeting to register for membership.
- c. NAPB Business meeting agenda items (Barry Tillman)
TENTATIVE AGENDA
 - i. NAPB update (Barry Tillman)
 1. New website
 2. Interactions with CSSA
Exclude item # 2
 3. Paid membership
 - ii. Update on Strategic Plan (Barry Tillman)
 - iii. Proposed changes to the by-laws regarding online election (Barry Tillman)
 - iv. Paid membership portal and rollout (Don Jones)
 - v. Election results- installation of new NAPB Secretary (David Francis)

We need to create white papers around the strategic road map so we satisfy the needs of the AFRI grants. Strategic plan could be covered in the breakout sessions. Each committee to see how they fit into the strategic plan. We will need to discuss the need for white papers offline. Mike Gore agreed to do some writing of white papers. PBCC rewrite will also address the strategic plan implementation. There is a time for PBCC to provide an update. There is significant amount of time Tuesday afternoon to cover some policy discussions. 8:15 general session. Jamie has a place on the agenda. Later is the committee breakout sessions and they could be reminded to consider the strategic plan in their activities. David will preside over the breakout session. The breakout sessions are chaired by the new committee chairmen. They might have been selected beforehand. There should be a hand-off during the breakout session from the old to the new chairman.

6) Secretary election update (David Francis)

Wayne Smith was elected 154:151 and has accepted. After the first round the election was tied at 113 votes.

7) PBCC Update- (Pat Byrne, Jamie Sherman)

Don Blackburn: The renewal is now official accepted. Station directors can now use travel grants for NAPB meetings

8) Education Committee update (Shelby Ellison) Loren Trimble is the new chair. Ready for poster session, ready for elevator talks.

9) Graduate Student working group update (Leaf Ruff)

Twitter is going =#NAPB2015. Graduate students sent out info for the poster judges.

10) Communications Committee (Greg Berger)

11) Website (Candy Hirsch)

When do we want new committee members posted? -> Soon after the annual meeting.

When do we post the awards? -> They could be posted now as recipients know. Contact Rita Mumm. The graduate student will be announced at the meetings

Cotton INC in Ralls will host the next meeting.

2014-15 Leadership Structure

NAPB Board

Past President- Liz Lee
President- Barry Tillman
Vice President- David Francis
Secretary- Klaus Koehler
Treasurer- Don Jones
Web Editor- Candy Hirsch

Graduate Student Liaison
Leah Ruff

PBCC Board

Past President- Pat Byrne
President- Jaimie Sherman
Vice President- Michael Gore
Secretary- Thomas Lubberstedt

ASTA Liaisons

Donn Cummings
Don Blackburn

NCCPB Liaison

Tom Koch

Strategic Planning task force

Jamie Sherman
Donn Cummings
Mike Gore
David Francis
Barry Tillman

NAPB Committees

Advocacy

Chair- Bill Tracey

Vice Chair- Jim McFerson

Secretary- Rich Pratt

Communications

Chair- Greg Berger

Vice Chair—Todd Campbell

Secretary- Jane Dever

Education

Chair- Shelby Ellison

Vice Chair- Heather Merk

Secretary- Loren Trimble

Membership

Chair- Don Jones

Vice Chair- Aaron Lorenz

Secretary- David Isenhour

Meeting Committee

Present- Jim McFerson, Kate Evans

Future- Don Jones

Past- Heather Merk