

Minutes of NAPB Executive Committee Meeting
29 July 2015

By laws require that the Board meet once per year in person. Meeting was held July 29, 2015 in Pullman, WA at the Compton Union Building.

Members present:

David Francis
Klaus Koehler
Barry Tillman
Elizabeth Lee
Don Jones
Wayne Smith

EC meetings will continue to be held as telephone or video conferences on the third Tuesday of every month from 2:00-3:30 EST.

Klaus will continue to set up monthly EC conference calls (with exception of the August 18 meeting).

Need thank you letters to:

2015 sponsors
WSU dean, dept. head, other leadership (AES director?)
Organizing committee

Should go out over Jim McPherson and Barry Tillman's signatures

Traditionally these letters have been written by the NAPB secretary in consultation with the Organizing Committee. Action: Wayne Smith and Jim McPherson

Need Congratulatory letters to grad student winners; should go out over Barry's signature
Letters should be developed by the Communications Committee (Todd Campbell or Jane Dever?).

Jamie Sherman is leading an effort to develop a Plant Breeding Human Capacity survey.

There is a need to add someone from Davis on the Membership Committee since the 2017 annual meeting is scheduled for Davis.

Future annual meetings:

2016: North Carolina State and Cotton Incorporated
2017: Davis
2018: Open
2019: Georgia
2020: CIMMYT.

Concern was expressed about the cost of ACSESS membership at 15,000 plus 26.00 per member dues, leaving NAPB with only \$54 per member.

Considerable discussion about Emeritus status for retired PB'ers. Motion was made by Barry for emeritus membership dues to be the same as student annual membership fee. Klaus seconded and unanimous approval.

Concern about how to contact retired PB'ers. Ideas were to contact through PBCC and department heads at LGU.

Minutes Corrections/Additions/Deletions should be addressed to Wayne Smith