

**American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting**

August 7, 1999
Holiday Inn by the Bay
Portland, ME

Present: Barry Brennan, President, Carol Ramsay, Treasurer, Mary Grodner, Past President, Gene Burgess, Secretary, Norm Nesheim, President Elect

1. Call to Order (Brennan)

The meeting was called the meeting to order at 8:15 p.m.

2. Minutes (Burgess)

Minutes from the Executive Committee spring meeting were accepted with edits.

3. Treasurer's Report (Ramsay)

Checking	\$1,145.47
Savings	\$4,408.21
1 year CD	\$2,500.00
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Total in CD's	\$5,055.92

AAPSE owes \$550.00 for registration fees to people who attended the Western states meeting in May but did not stay at the motel.

AAPSE received \$2,500 from RISE (Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment), \$7,500 from ACPA (American Crop Protection Association) and \$5,000 from the University of California-Davis Ag Health and Safety Center. This money has been deposited in a separate account to conduct a Pesticide Safety Education Center Feasibility Study. The first meeting of the PSEC FS committee met in Tempe, AZ. After the bills for that meeting were paid the account has a total of \$9,798.97.

The IRS ruled AAPSE did not have to pay taxes in 1998. However, paper work will have to be submitted next year due to the \$10,000 received to conduct the PSEC study. AAPSE will not have to pay any taxes.

Copies of paid full and associate members for 1999 were distributed. Currently AAPSE has 38 associate members and 81 full members for a total membership of 119.

AAPSE books were audited in March 1998 and everything was found in order.

A copy of the Treasurer's report will be distributed to members of the Executive Committee.

4. Old Business

Membership brochure - 1000 copies of the new AAPSE brochure were printed in time for the National Workshop. Brennan thanked Ramsay and Dean Herzfield for their work on the brochure.

AAPSE letterhead - It was agreed that the AAPSE letterhead should be restricted to use by the Executive Committee.

5. Agenda for the Board of Directors Meeting

Committee Reports

Pesticide/Internet Committee - The charge to the Pesticide Education/Internet committee was discussed. Is the committee to look at issues related to educational materials or the use of the Internet to access those materials. The structure of and charge to this committee is unclear and should be clarified before it is reappointed.

Articles and By-Laws Committee - The Articles and By-Laws are ready for the vote on amendments. Ramsay recommended that the By-Laws committee review the by-laws every other year. On recommendation of the Executive committee, the By-Laws committee will work with the Membership Committee on suggested changes. It was noted that a two thirds vote of the full membership is needed to change the Articles and By-Laws. Ramsay suggested that the next vote be physically mailed. Presently AAPSE needs 54 affirmative votes to change the By-Laws.

Resolutions & Recognition Committee - Nesheim reported that Bob Bellinger has the awards ready.

Membership Committee - Ramsay stated that Herzfield wanted to step down as Chair of the Membership Committee but would be willing to work as co-chair. The EC agreed that the other co-chair should come from a regulatory position.

Other Reports

SFIREG Liaison - Grodner will give the Policy Operations and Management (POM) Committee report.

National Program Leader's Report - Brennan reported that John Impson would not be at the Board meeting, but will be at the meeting Monday.

National Coalition on Drift Minimization (NCODM) - Grodner represents AAPSE on the NCODM and will give a report to the Board of Directors.

Related Issues

Travel Funds - Board members need to make members, particularly BOD members, aware that money has been budgeted to help cover travel expenses to meetings related to AAPSE business or where AAPSE needs representation. This money will not be considered a scholarship.

Pesticide Safety Education Journal - Mike Weaver (editor) is having some success with the Journal but members need to do provide more articles. The EC agreed to provide funding to Weaver to support the AAPSE web site.

EPA Certification and Worker Protection Web Site - It was noted that on the new web site for C&WP does not mention CES or link to any of the state extension PAT programs. Brennan talked to Kevin Keaney and was assured this was an inadvertent oversight and that state CES program would be linked. Weaver also wrote a letter to Impson regarding the oversight.

6. Old Business

Fumigation Training & Certification – only mentioned.

7. New Business

Regional Representatives - Jennifer Weber is the new Western Regional Representative. Brennan sent each of the received a copy of the BOD duties and responsibilities. They will be reminded again at the BOD meeting.

Role of AAPSE Region Representatives in regional meetings - It was suggested that the Board urge regional reps serve as program chairs in their respective regional meetings (unless to do so would create unnecessary conflict with existing procedures or customs).

Non-Extension Members -The membership status of non-extension members will be discussed with the Board of Directors. This issue may have to be referred to next Membership Committee.

Pesticide Safety Education Centers - Brennan discussed the status of the Pesticide Safety Education Centers Feasibility Study. This will be discussed under New Business as an update or in the President's Report to the BOD.

Spring Meetings - Several members of the EC questioned whether AAPSE needed to hold a Spring Meeting every year. Brennan pointed out that the Spring Meeting was an opportunity to conduct some in-service training. However, AAPCO made it clear that while they appreciated our input, the Spring Meeting was an "AAPCO Spring Meeting" and it was primarily for their members. However, some of our regulatory members are unable to go to the AAPCO Spring Meeting because they are not the official AAPCO representatives from their states. The EC agreed that EC and BOD meetings were needed on an annual basis and should be conducted in conjunction with the AAPCO Spring Meeting. For travel justification purposes, it was suggested that the AAPSE portion of the meeting be identified as the AAPSE BOD Spring Meeting.

Ramsay suggested that in-service training could be conducted in conjunction with a different regional meeting each year. This might be particularly useful if a topical issue needed to be discussed. It would be billed as a special AAPSE workshop.

General Business Meetings -The General Business Meeting is held at the National Workshop. On

alternate years it has been held at the Spring Meeting. The EC discussed the merits of holding a General Business Meeting on alternate years and decided it probably wasn't necessary. The agenda for GB meetings should be limited to committee reports and reports from the officers as needed.

8. The Executive Committee meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Gene Burgess, Secretary

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(with corrections and edits)