



**ASPCRO BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
August 26, 2012**

The ASPCRO's Board of Directors 2012 Annual Meeting was held August 26, 2012 at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel, Seattle, Washington.

Attendees

Board of Directors: Derrick Lastinger, President, Georgia Department of Agriculture; John Scott, Vice-President, Colorado Department of Agriculture; Grant Bishop, Treasurer, West Virginia Department of Agriculture; Liza Fleeson, Secretary, Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; Jay Kelly, Office of the Indiana State Chemist; Mike Page, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; John Campbell, Mississippi Department of Agriculture, Bonnie Rabe, Past President, New Mexico Department of Agriculture; and Lonnie Matthews, Executive Secretary.

State Lead Agency Representatives: Tony L. Cofer, Alabama Department of Agriculture; Dan Suomi, Washington Department of Agriculture; Steve Sims, Kentucky Department of Agriculture; Jack Peterson, Arizona Department of Agriculture; Mike Weyman, Clemson University; Chuck Andrews, California Department of Pesticide Regulation; Kevin Gibson, Office of the Indiana State Chemist; George N. Saxton, Office of the Indiana State Chemist; and Douglas Edwards, Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Industry Representatives: Gene Harrington, NPMA; Jackson Maccotter and Jazz Maccotter, Maccotter Termite & Pest Control; Mel Kyle, Syngenta; Forrest E. St. Aubin, SummaCon; Julie Spagnoli, E^xponent; Dudley Hoskins, RISE; Larry Zang, Syngenta Crop Protection; Jim Wright, BASF; Norman Goldenberg, Terminix International and Trugreen; Darrell Ennes, Terminix International; Jan Brill, Bayer; Jonathon Berger, BASF; Carl Falco, DuPont Professional Products; Bob Rosenberg, NPMA; Darren Van Steangle, Clark Pest Control; and Paul Hardy, Orkin.

Other: James Harron

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Derrick Lastinger, President (GA), called the meeting to order at 1:42 PM (PDT) and welcomed attendees to ASPCRO's Board of Directors Annual Meeting.

Self introductions and a review of the agenda were completed. No modifications were made to the agenda at this time.

Approval of 2012 ASPCRO Mid Year Meeting Minutes

MOTION to approve the 2012 Mid Year Meeting Minutes made by Bonnie Rabe (NM); Second, John Scott (CO); Board unanimously approved meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report

Grant Bishop, Treasurer, (WV), provided the Board with Treasurer's Report (attached): *Banking Summary YTD* (January 1 – August 26, 2012). For the reporting period, income totaled \$58,909.78; expenses totaled \$20,127.49 thus the current balance is \$38,782.29.

The *Banking Summary YTD* provides a snapshot of current year's activities. YTD income totaled \$58,909.78 including States dues (\$4,950), annual meeting registration (\$16,680), subsidies (\$37,250), State Meeting Assistance Committee (\$55). YTD expenses totaled \$20,127.49 and included annual and mid-year meeting expenses, travel and training as well as banking fees (shopping cart and virtual bank). The cash balance as of August 26 totaled \$38,782.29 (income less expenses).

There was a question regarding a \$275 expense for "education". Grant will research the expense and provide additional information to the Board.

MOTION to accept Treasurer's Reports, with modifications, made by Bonnie Rabe (NM). Second, John Scott (CO); Board unanimously accepted reports.

ACTION ITEM: Grant Bishop will research aforementioned education expense and report back to the Board.

Executive Secretary Report

Lonnie Matthews, Executive Secretary, provided the Annual Report (attached). Activities included: renewing ASPCRO's non-profit corporation charter with the State of New Mexico; updating and making changes to the ASPCRO directory; responding to phone calls and email with various requests for information regarding State pesticide programs; and referring to State Lead Agencies as appropriate. Continue to receive inquiries from companies wanting to book and handle ASPCRO's annual meetings.

Planning Committee Report

Dan Soumi (WA) and John Scott (CO) provided an overview of the 2012 Annual Meeting including details regarding registration and gift bags. Registration packets contain information regarding restaurants, shopping and other activities in Seattle and the surrounding areas as well as contact information. The agenda and schedule was developed keeping in mind that Seattle is a “walking city” thus there are no planned activities for Monday and Tuesday evenings. Lastinger recognized the great efforts that went into planning. The hospitality is being hosted by the Washington Pest Management Association, Suite 3415 from 4 – 6 PM and 9 – 11 PM each evening (Monday and Tuesday).

Program highlights for the Annual Meeting include: Monday - rodenticide issues, pyrethroids, bed bugs, endangered species and pest specific discussions; Tuesday, IPM in Schools and LEED Building sessions as well as the business meeting and tour to the Museum of Flight with a presentation from Orkin regarding pest management issues; and Wednesday; first line of defense (port pest control) and, inspector safety sessions. In preparation for the 2013 Annual Meeting in Atlanta GA, a post conference planning committee meeting will be held on Wednesday immediately following the close of the 2012 Annual Meeting. Board Members and Committee Chairs are invited.

The inspector safety session will be the first time ASCPRO has provided a presentation via webinar (Adobe connect program) and will also be recording these sessions for ASPCRO members to view at a later date. The webinar allows the viewing of the speaker’s presentation including a PPT if provided during the session. The Board does need to make a decision regarding how session information will be provided to attendees and also meeting sessions to membership for example, general meeting information or only specific sessions?

Discussion included that while this is a “value added” service, there is some concern or potential that this could effect (reduce) attendance at the Annual Meeting. Also, there may be additional costs at future meetings b/c AV services in hotels is costly and as such will need close coordination with the Planning Committee. It is possible this meeting could serve as a trial or pilot for the use of this technology however it is currently unknown what types of issues there may be, for example, bandwidth, should there be a large number of people logging in to view session. It was suggested that Board Members send the information for the webinar to their respective States as a beta test.

It was also suggested that a Committee should be formed to address these and other issues and report back to the Board. In addition, it was recommended that the new Committee include a member of the Planning Committee.

MOTION to make the webinar available to Board Members States (Staff) by Bonnie Rabe. Second, by Liza Fleeson. Board unanimously agreed.

Finally, the 2013 Annual Meeting will be held in Atlanta GA. The 2013 meeting will be one week earlier than the traditional meeting (August 19 – 21, 2013). The Board Meeting will be on August 18, 2013. The location of the Board of Director’s Mid-Year Meeting for 2013 has not yet been decided. Discussion included the possibility that it be held in the State that will be hosting the 2014 meeting.

Standing Committee Reports (Alphabetically)

Note: Committee Reports referenced in minutes will be posted separately.

Bed Bug Committee

Liza Fleeson (VA), Chair, provided a summary of the Committee's activities for 2011 - 2012 (*see report*).

The Bed Bug Committee has added 5 new members since during the reporting period. Select activities include: Phase 1 Survey – the final draft report is complete and is submitted to the Board for comments prior to distribution to the Membership. Comments are requested by September 15, 2012. The Bed Bug Committee met on August 25 to discuss the Phase 2 Survey. The Board was reminded that 42 states of 50 that responded to the Phase 1 Survey stated they would respond to a Phase 2 Survey. The Phase 2 Survey will focus on misuse and associated issues. The goal is to have the draft of Phase 2 Survey by mid-year meeting next year. The Bed Bug Committee also submitted introductory information to appear on the dedicated webpage as well as additional resource items. Other items of discussed during the Bed Bug Committee meetings included topics for future annual meeting sessions, for example, what's happening in industry and the states related to bed bugs; consumer protection and consumer fraud issues; as well as the need for outreach materials to consumers. Lastinger indicated that the direction of the committee appears to be on track as fraud and consumer protection issues are key.

ACTION ITEM: Liza Fleeson to send electronic copy of Phase 1 Bed Bug Survey Final Report to Board for comments. Comments are due by September 15, 2012.

Communications Committee

Doug Edwards (VA) and Vickie Cassens, Purdue, Co-Chairs, provided a summary of the Committee's activities (*see report*).

Vickie Cassens provided the Board with a tour (demonstration) of ASPCRO's new website which is live as of August 25, 2012. Druple is the content management system and as such is easier to maintain than the previous website and will allow for increased functionality over time as new things are added. There is the option to have a members log-on. Users could be given specific roles, which depending on their roles, could update and edit pages. Lastinger expressed appreciation for the support and assistance in getting the new website up and running. The priority for the website is to have the Committee webpages completed. Committee Chairs are requested to put together the information to be posted on their dedicated webpages. Jay Kelly will serve as the liaison for building and posting Committee webpages. Doug Edwards indicated he would send examples of content and those items needed to build a webpage to the Committee Chairs. Committee Chairs should send their content to Kelly and Edwards. As pages are developed, they will be forwarded to the Board for approval.

MOTION to make Vickie Cassens the website administrator by Derrick Lastinger (GA). Second by John Scott (CO). Motion unanimously passed by Board.

ACTION ITEM: Doug Edwards will resend the email with content requests for Committee pages.

Green Building Standards Committee

Steve Dwinell (FL), Chair, provided a summary of the activities of the Committee which, at this time, is not officially formed. At the April 3, 2012 Mid-year Meeting, Derrick Lastinger (GA), by Presidential Directive, directed that Building Standards Committee be re-activated and re-named the Green Building Standards Committee. The Green Pest Management Committee is inactive. The Green Building Standards Committee is meeting for the first time during the Annual Meeting. Members of the Green Building Standards Committee are Steve Dwinell (FL), Lee Tanner (EPA), Brian Forschler, Derrick Lastinger (GA), Bob Rosenberg (NPMA), and Mike Page (FL)

Hall of Fame Committee

Nomination submitted by George Saxton (IN), Chair.

Inspector Training Committee (ITC)

George Saxton (IN) provided a summary of the Inspector Training Committees activities (*see report*).

The Pesticide Inspector Residential Training (PIRT) held in September 2011 “hit a home run”. Orkin was a great partner. Using the modules developed for the PIRT, it would be possible to conduct another structural PIRT (perhaps in Atlanta) or in another state. The question at hand is “*what is next?*” ASPCRO may look to develop other modules and seek assistance from other agencies – putting together a “dream list” of topics that we can build modules, for example, investigator safety, Hazmat, fumigations, etc and have ASPCRO put together modules for training at different venues. A survey of states would be beneficial to determine what types of training needs exist.

Nominations Committee –

Jay Kelly and John Campbell were nominated to continue as At-Large Members. Nominations will be voted on by the full Membership at the Business Meeting.

Pest Management in Schools Committee

Mike Page (FL) and Josh Wiley (GA), serve as Co-Chairs. Mike Page provided a summary of Committee activities (*see report*).

The Committee has submitted to the Board for consideration and possible adoption the following items:

1. A position paper on Legislation Requiring Schools to Use IPM; and
2. Two resolutions:
 - a. Requests member states acknowledge the need for State Regulatory involvement in IPM in Schools programs and that member states be surveyed for their willingness to consider assisting with implementation and the maintenance of IPM programs in schools;
 - b. Requests drafting model regulations aimed at State enforcement of IPM in Schools programs

The position paper is designed to provide information regarding the components of a successful IPM program to states that are planning to or considering pursuing IPM regulations. The Committee can assist member states in the future with implementation of mandatory or voluntary programs.

ACTION ITEM: Liza Fleeson will forward an electronic copy of the position paper with comments requested by October 1, 2012.

The Committee is also in the process of developing Model Best Management Plans (based on NPMA's School IPM BMPs) for K – 12 student populations and a Model Request For Proposal (RFP) for use by schools and school districts when contracting pest control services specific to IPM by the PMPs.

Finally, ASPCRO is now represented on the following National Working Groups:

1. PPDC Subcommittee on IPM; and
2. National Steering Committee.

Page expressed to the Board the need to conduct a survey to determine the level of State commitment toward implementation of IPM in schools. This does not necessary refer to only those states with IPM in schools regulations, rather, any activities (mandatory or voluntary) that States undertake related to the implementation of IPM in schools. For example, in Florida, while not mandated, the State expends resources towards the implementation of the programs in its schools. Items of interest include existing laws/regulations; enforcement, funding, voluntary programs and partnerships.

Board discussion included concerns regarding the perception that ASPCRO is “endorsing” the implementation of IPM in schools through laws/regulations. Page reiterated that the position paper is intended to provide information regarding the components of successful IPM programs. In addition, if States are not willing to form partnerships to encourage IPM in schools, then why do we have a Committee devoted to IPM in Schools?

The Committee will draft the survey and forward it to the Board for comment.

Label Language Stewardship Committee

Bonnie Rabe (NM), Chair, provided a summary of the Committee's activities (*see report*).

The Committee is in the process of developing a guidance document which identifies problematic label language on existing labels and offers alternatives or preferred language that is clear, concise and if appropriate, enforceable. This living document is intended to provide guidance to registrants when developing or amending labels, to SLAs during their respective registration processes and to EPA as a compliment to the Label Review Manual.

In addition to pyrethroids label language, the Committee held a joint meeting with the Bed Bug Committee to identify problematic label language and offer preferred statement. The label language addressed included the statements ‘repeat as needed’, ‘spray thoroughly’, ‘spray at frequent intervals’, and ‘treat liberally’. Once final, it will be sent to EPA. It is hoped this will result in improved language a better understanding of the language for those utilizing bed bug products and fewer issues related to misuse of pesticides for treatment of bedbugs.

Regarding pyrethroids label language, the Committee has been focused on language in the 'Environmental Hazard and General Labeling for Pyrethroid Non-Agricultural Outdoor Products' and the need for specific issues or interpretations of the language. A letter was sent from ASPCRO to EPA addressing these outstanding items on June 13, 2012. ASPCRO, working with NPMA, will host a workshop for EPA on September 18, 2012 to demonstrate and discuss the application of pyrethroids and how treatment is affected by the mitigation language.

Next steps include finalizing the label language document. In addition, how we approach individual label issue has also been discussed. The Committee may be able to address issues a state is seeing in order to provide assistance to having the issue addressed for all rather than label issues being addressed on a state by state basis. The Committee does not want to duplicate efforts with SFIREG POM, EPA, or the industry but rather coordinate to develop an effort valuable to the members. This will be discussed further with the Board and EPA as well as SFIREG.

Rodenticide Committee

Bonnie Rabe (NM) and John Scott (CO) serve as Co-Chairs and provided a summary of Committee activities (*see report*).

The Committee reviewed and commented on the risk mitigation decision revisions to label language in a letter to EPA (March 14, 2012) entitled *Commensal Rodenticide Products Outdoor 50 foot restriction for Professional Use Products* (revised to include label language for agricultural products). The Committee also received a request from Bell Labs for assistance as follows:

1. Assistance any ASPCRO might provide for timely acceptance of the labels with the revisions by state registration programs. They primarily had concern over a couple of states with longer registration processing times.
2. The issue of *Peryomyscus* species, which although previously included, are no longer on commensal rodenticide labels and the agency's requirement for field data to once again include those species. Although primarily a pest of western states, they are public health pests as carriers of Hantavirus and Plague. Currently states are issuing 24c registrations to allow the specific non-commensal species. Arizona currently has 3 and New Mexico has been petitioned for one as well for wood rat control. The goal is to allow other rodents to be included on the label.

The Committee agreed to draft a letter to SLA registration staff offering assistance with the risk mitigation label language amendments. In addition, Bell Labs is drafting a letter to EPA requesting allowance of lab data rather than field data for the inclusion of these species on the labels of products where these species were included prior to the RMD. Bell requests ASPCRO provide a letter of support for Bell's request. The committee will review Bell's letter and then draft a support letter for review by the Board.

Other activities for the Committee include review of the Aluminum and Zinc Phosphide labels. The Aluminum Phosphide label language has been approved by EPA however registrants have not released the revised labels. It appears that Degesh decided that due to low sales, the newly labeled product would not be put in the channels of trade. In addition, there was a lack of notification to other registrants (3). Label revisions can be found on label versions dated 4/2012. John Scott indicated he had spoken with Meredith Laws who stated there were label changes occurring to the zinc phosphide labels based on the previously completed risk assessment. She did not indicate what the specific changes were. Concerns surround the

control of prairie dogs and a “potential reintroduction site for the black footed ferret” which limits use. States had not had a chance to review the changes to provide any input at this point in time.

State Meeting Assistance Committee (SMAC)

Jay Kelly (IN), Chair, provided a summary of Committee activities (*see report*).

ASPCRO sponsored four (4) state compliance training meetings on behalf of the Office of the Indiana State Chemist in 2011 which generated just under \$9,000 for ASPCRO. There are currently no additional trainings scheduled.

Steve Dwinell indicated that Florida is interested in utilizing SMAC for invasive termite training in the All. Mike Page indicated that training for School IPM may also be a possibility.

Termiticide Label Review Committee (TLRC)

Davis Daiker (FL), Chair, provided a summary of the Committee’s activities (*see report*).

The TLRC submitted comments to the EPA, and respective pesticide registrants, in regard to label/formulation revisions to 3 different products. All products were formulated with currently registered termiticide active ingredients. In addition, the TLRC has worked with EPA and one of these pesticide registrants on the data requirements and conditions of the registration of the new termiticide formulation and label.

Termiticide Standards Committee (TSC)

John Campbell (MS), Chair, provided a summary of the Committee activities.

A meeting is currently planned with Mark Suarez (EPA) to discuss the forthcoming Scientific Advisory Panel to consider scientific issues concerning *the Draft Product Performance Data Needs Assessment for Products Claiming Efficacy Against Invertebrate Pests*. This impacts most of the products applied by the pest management industry thus TSC will be working jointly with other ASCPRO Committees, for example, Bed Bug Committee once the draft is published to gather comments for the Board’s consideration and submission. TSC will continue to monitor the status of the SAP. Also expressed was the need or possibility of hosting another termite specific training for EPA.

Historian Report

Bonnie Rabe (NM) indicated that she has received two boxes of ASPCRO related information (from Steve Dwinell). These documents date back to the 1970s. Rabe will comb through this information and decide on what is pertinent to ASPCRO.

Liaison Report

CTAG

No report

TPSA

Liza Fleeson reported that the 2012 meeting of The Pesticide Stewardship Alliance (TPSA) was held in February 2012 in Boise, Idaho and included on its agenda a session devoted to Non-Ag Stewardship – a first for TPSA which is primarily focused on Ag Stewardship. Fleeson indicated this was very encouraging as “pesticide stewardship” certainly includes Non-Ag which is seemingly absent from the conversation. Fleeson offered ASPCRO’s assistance for future Non-Ag topics. The next meeting of TPSA is scheduled for February 2013 in Mobile AL.

New Business

Strategic Planning

Derrick Lastinger (GA) acknowledged that the Association has evolved over its many years and has a long and distinguished history. As we look ahead, Lastinger indicated the need for ASPCRO to determine its long term goals and the development of a long term plan for the future. Also, depending on those goals/plan, do we need to adjust our mission? Discussion included the need to formalize our purpose/vision as it is not outlined in our mission statement. Lastinger offered we may need to ask the Membership for their input.

MOTION was made for the Board to meet to address the strategic plan and goals by Bonnie Rabe (NM). Second by Liza Fleeson (VA). Board approved unanimously.

Committees – Chairs/Membership Changes

Derrick Lastinger (GA) announced that Jay Kelly will serve as Co-chair of the Communications Committee. Bob Rosenberg (NPMA) and Mike Page (FL) will join the Green Building Standards Committee. Finally, Mike Wayman has joined the Termiticide Standards Committee.

ACTION ITEM: Liza Fleeson will update the Committee Membership list.

Resolutions

Three resolutions are being submitted to the Board for review and consideration by the Membership at the Annual Business Meeting:

1. Resolution Of Appreciation For The Washington State Department Of Agriculture
2. Resolution Of Appreciation For Sponsors Of The 2012 Annual Meeting
3. Resolution Of Appreciation For The National Pesticide Information Retrieval System At Purdue University

MOTION to send the three resolutions to the full Membership by Bonnie Rabe (NM). Second by John Scott (CO). Board passed the motion unanimously.

ASPCRO NPMA Survey & Report

Derrick Lastinger (GA) reported that 48 States have responded to the survey. The data is currently posted on the website and is available in a variety of ways. It was noted that the survey did not contain “all” the questions thus a second survey is planned.

State & University Structural Pest Training Information Request

ASPCRO has received a request to list training centers in States on the website. There is a need to survey states for training centers. Doug Edwards (VA) indicated the Communications Committee will draft the survey questions. Lonnie Mathews, Executive Secretary, will forward the email and survey to States.

Annual Meeting Update

The following annual meeting sites are confirmed:

- 2013 – Atlanta, GA
- 2014 – Missoula, Montana
- 2015 – Florida (possibly Ft. Lauderdale)

Also potential meeting sites discussed include:

- 2016 – Vermont
- 2017 – New Mexico (possibly Santé Fe)

Board discussion included the online registration fee (\$1,200.00)

ACTION ITEM: Working with Grant Bishop (WV), the Communications Committee will research registration options and make a recommendation to the Board by the end-of-year.

Additional discussion included the desire to host the annual meeting in different parts of the country as a way to enhance attendance. Finally, the 2013 mid-year meeting location was discussed and is tentatively planned April 1- 3 in Florida (location to be determined). In addition to the Board Meeting, the Board would like to expand the time to have Committee meetings and also include the site visits for the 2015 meeting in Florida. Completing this in one week will reduce costs and travel.

Professional Association Report/Update

NPMA

Bob Rosenberg offered that ASPCRO and NPMA have accomplished a lot together. NPMA is appreciative of the work ASPCRO committees have and the relationship that has been developed to work on important issues.

RISE

Julie Spagnoli (E^xponent, Inc) introduced Dudley Hoskins. Dudley is the new Manager of Regulatory Policy for RISE. Dudley shared his thoughts regarding current pesticide related issues including consistency in the regulatory process, label issues, NPDES, PRIA 3 and the Farm Bill. Dudley indicated he is looking forward to working with ASPCRO.

Open to the Floor

Larry Trelevin expressed his thank to ASPCRO for their all work done, especially to Bonnie Rabe (NM) and John Scott (CO) and rodenticides. Trelevin recognizes there is still more to do, for example, deer mice are a problem even though they are not considered commensal as they still invade food storage facilities, hunting lodges, hotels, condos and apartments and other areas. Trevelin indicated a need to work to get this kind of pest considered on labels and his willing to help with documentation and data.

Meeting adjourn at 4:52 PM

[Submitted 2/28/13 by Liza Fleeson; revised 3/1/13; approved 3/4/13]