

Meeting Minutes

2002 Special Meeting, Board of Directors

Decatur, Georgia

May 21, 2002

Meeting convened at 3:20 pm by President John McCauley.

In attendance:

Jerry Davis
Brian Forschler
John McCauley
Ray Siegel
Jim Wright
Jim Harron
Pete Paveglio
Jim Haskins
Steven Dwinell

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President McCauley noted that Ray Siegel carried a written proxy for George Saxton, who could not attend. The Board was asked if it was acceptable to allow Ray to vote and otherwise act in the place of George Saxton. It was agreed to let Ray act as George's proxy.

Ray Siegel gave the Treasurer's report for Bob Wulfhorst who could not attend the meeting. The Federal Income Tax tax-exempt status filing is complete. The tax status received allows lobbying.

Ray Siegel made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Jim Harron seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes from the Mid-Year Board Meeting in New York were provided. Jim Harron made a motion to dispense with reading of the minutes. Ray Siegel second. Passed unanimously. Ray Siegel made a motion to accept the minutes. Jim Haskins second. Passed unanimously.

President McCauley informed the Board that letters had been sent from Dr. Lester Spell, Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Mississippi to Senator Trent Lott and Senator Thad Cochran of Mississippi soliciting their support for increased funding for the USFS Southern Research Station termite work. President McCauley will now proceed to draft additional letters seeking support for this increased funding.

President McCauley informed the Board that the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which USEPA established as part of PR 96-7 may need to be modified. President McCauley and others have been working with NPMA and RISE on an effort to revise the USEPA termiticide registration process. This revision process has bogged down, and a strategic plan has to be developed regarding MOU with USEPA. Discussion followed.

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Jim Wright stated that individual States may have to set efficacy standards for termiticides if the Federal effort cannot be revived. South Carolina will be pursuing such a solutions. If state don't have confidence in federal efficacy standards, they may have to adopt their own standards and review procedures. Jim said that he and President McCauley had asked NPMA to support ASPCRO in revising and strengthening the MOU.

Ray Siegel made a motion that ASPCRO recommend to Region IV pre-SFIREG to take to full SFIREG and for SFIREG to advise USEPA that the current MOU should be maintained until a new MOU can be drafted that allows the states through ASPCRO to review and comment on the registration of all termiticide strategies. Jim Harron second. Passed unanimously by acclamation.

Steven Dwinell made a motion for a Resolution for consideration by the general membership in the August meeting that: "In the event that federal registration process does not include the ability of the states to comment on registration of termiticides through ASPCRO, that states seek appropriate statutory authority to call for, review, and condition registration of termiticides on the demonstration of five years of efficacy." Jerry Davis seconded. Passed unanimously by acclamation.

Jim Wright brought up the matter of the request by the USEPA for an ASPCRO representative at upcoming Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP) on termite basis. The SAP is scheduled for July 30 in Washington DC. The Board discussed and agreed that Dr. Brian Forschler would be our first choice and that Dr. Brad Kard would be the alternate. President McCauley will call USEPA to transmit that information.

Jim Haskins gave a report on the upcoming annual meeting. The planning committee has met with convention planners at hotel and plans are in order. Annual meeting registration can now be done on line at the ASPCRO website. Steve Dwinell asked that hotel registration reports be e-mailed to John McCauley, Steve Dwinell, and George Saxton as they are received.

Ray Siegel made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Jim Harron and passed unanimously by acclamation. Adjourned at 5:07 pm.