

Meeting Minutes

2002 Annual Meeting, Board of Directors

Tunica, Mississippi

August 24, 2002

In Attendance:

Board Members:

George Saxton
John McCauley
Steven Dwinell
Bob Wulforth
Joe Uram
Dennis Howard
Jerry Davis
Jim Harron
Jim Haskins

Others:

Jim Wright
Ray Siegel
Bob Rosenberg
Gene Harrington
Tom Diedrich
Benny Mathis
Charles Rock
Mel Kyle
Terry Wagner
Carl Forehand
Lanier James
Bruce Jewel
David Newbill
Mary Ellen Setting
Frank Crull
Pete Paveglio
Dave Scott
Andy Webber

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Executive Board meeting convened at 1:08 pm by Pres. McCauley

Minutes of May 21, 2002 meeting unanimously accepted on a motion by Jim Harron, Joe Uram second.

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Treasurer's report by Bob Wulfhorst was handed out to members. Operating capital at this point is approximately \$40,000 before expenses for annual meeting. Treasurer's report was accepted on a motion by George Saxton/Jerry Davis second.

Brian Forschler will report on the termite bait Scientific Advisory Panel at the business meeting.

Bruce Jewel of the United States Department of Agriculture/Forest Serviced provided an update on the Starkville, Mississippi program. This is an important program that affects lots of people. Most FS resources currently devoted to fire fighting, an since the budget can not run a deficit - all expense money has been put into firefighting. Travel, training, and repair put on hold - research arm has to contribute.

They have been attempting to get more money into research program - currently approx. \$1 million/year for primarily testing program. Additional money not in Bush budget request, there has been lobbying done in Congress for \$750K for expense, \$2.3 mil for lab construction. This additional money did not survive subcommittee markups. There are still budget battles between Hill and Whitehouse - Forest Service not yet reimbursed for fire fighting. Conference b/t House and Senate still a possibility for additional money - fire season may result in more money for Forest Service. Conference will occur in week after Labor Day, time to lobby is now. Conferences not known at this time.

President McCauley asked if we should contact specific members? Mr. Jewel said that email/fax letters from Commissioners to members of appropriations would be helpful.

Suggestion was made to circulate letter to members at business meeting and ask for letter of support from states.

President McCauley directed the Secretary to circulate a list in the meeting to determine who will be willing to contact House/Senate members regarding support for additional funding. President McCauley will follow up.

The fee has increased for registrants for testing termiticides. This new system does not include costs for implementing GLP standards. Funds from fee increase can not be used for hiring staff.

Bob Rosenberg then gave an update on the National Pest Management Association (NPMA). President McCauley expressed thanks to Bob Rosenberg for NPMA's support for meeting. Bob Rosenberg reminded folks of Oct. 16-19 NPMA meeting in Orlando. With assistance of several folks present NPMA has initiated a program for Industry improvement program upgrading professionalism of industry which will be a "Good Housekeeping" type seal of approval for companies that meet a standard. NPMA will have a public program announcement in November. Companies will have to meet standards in five areas:

1. Environmental Stewardship
2. Consumer Protection
3. Professional Appearance
4. Good Business Practices
5. Technician Training

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George Saxton asked how NPMA would feel about mandatory participation as a condition of settlement of enforcement cases. Mr. Rosenberg said that this could be problematic. The program is designed to generate consumer demand and make companies want to voluntarily participate as a way to increase business, not be used as a punitive measure.

Jim Harron asked about technician training manual sales. Mr. Rosenberg said that sales have not amounted to much. Kentucky has recently approved a new additional training and sales have picked up, and Bob will check on sales level.

Arnold Layne of the USEPA provided a Termiticide Registration Update. Pres. McCauley thanked Arnold for working with ASPCRO and states and Arnold Layne thanked McCauley for invitation to participate in the Annual meeting. USEPA considers relationship with state regulatory partners important. The NPMA/ASPCRO/RISE termiticide registration workgroup recommended two subgroups to deal with termiticide process (Termite Advisory Committee) and termiticide technical issues ((TAC-L) L=labels). There was a meeting with parties' attorneys in June. As a result, RISE is to provide proposal to Layne for the TAC process. A meeting will be set after that proposal is received. Mr. Layne feels that there is interest in continuing meeting and developing this process.

President McCauley reported that some states are frustrated with slow pace of process, and was prepared to recommend to states that they proceed with state based efficacy regulations. Steve Dwinell reminded BOD that we have a resolution to present to the membership on this issue and that we should put this resolution in context. Jim Wright stated that this resolution was intended to provide opportunity for this mechanism in the event the federal process did not work. Pres. McCauley said we have to modify resolution at business meeting, and present all pertinent information regarding this issue.

Jim Wright then presented a report on the Termite Label Review Committee. Jim said we are fortunate that Arnold Layne has retained participation in this process even though he has changed responsibilities in the agency. The Committee is Brian Forschler, Terry Wagner, Ray Siegel, Jim Wright, and Brad Kard. Committee has reviewed chlorfenapyr - BASF over the last year and is reviewing four other products but can not discuss these - early in process.

New Committee Appointments were announced by President McCauley. These are:

- Grant Bishop - WV - pretreat committee
- Rex Martin - Syngenta - stewardship committee

Bob Wulfhorst stated that the Resolutions Committee and the Minimum Standards for Termite Control Committee had no report.

Dennis Howard gave the New Technologies Committee report. Kelly Registrations Systems has been doing the ASPCRO website, and is doing on-line registration for the annual meeting. 57 registered online, over 33% of meeting registrants. Ray Siegel thanked Kelly Systems for their hard work and commitment.

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Mary Ellen Setting gave the IPM in Schools report. Frank Gasperini replaced Fred Langley on the committee. SEPA was not successfully attached to Farm Bill; therefore, is dead for another year. There will be a conference call this week and the committee will try to coordinate with AAPSE - they are looking at a phone survey of states with school IPM programs. NPMA has status of state regs on school IPM on their website. Committee will maintain information exchange for now and track SEPA.

George Saxton gave the Annual Meeting Planning Committee report. The meeting locations are:

- 2003 - California
- 2004 - Colonial Williamsburg
- 2005 - Indianapolis
- 2006 - New Orleans
- 2007 - Charleston, SC
- 2008 - Pennsylvania

Jim Harron made a request for Board Meeting Sunday if possible. Joint meeting with AAPCO discussed - not supported due to logistics and separation of issues/identity.

Dr. Melvin Kyle gave the Stewardship Committee report. This is a new committee and has put together a mission statement - to promote structural pest control product stewardship. Will develop goals for risk reduction, improving public perception of pesticide risk.

Structural Training for Inspectors for Inspectors Committee had no report per Jim Herron. Tom Diedrich offered that Orkin's training facility in Atlanta could be used by states for inspector training.

Jerry Davis gave the Termite Pre-treatment Committee report. The committee focused on liquid treatments. The committee is David Newbill, Lanier James, Bobby Simoneaux, Wayne Gale, Mike Baessler.

David Newbill made a presentation on the committee's proposal for a Pesticide Lifeline Tracking System. A written report was provided to the board in agenda packet. The main points of the presentation were:

- Regulatory challenges - limited resources to inspect, difficulty identifying pre-treat sites, difficulty in determining proper application of rates
- Solution - track pesticides from "cradle to grave" - create accurate, accountable, and efficient system to assure proper use storage disposal and security of pesticides
- Put a lifeline tracking number on each container of RUPs and each non-consumer product container
- This lifeline tracking number would be attached to container - not cap or package
- Could be tied to Homeland Security purposes
- Would allow tracking of pesticide purchase and sales, use and disposal
There are benefits to pesticide user, regulatory agency, consumers
- Some pesticide registrants already use this system
- Vopak (Univar) already developing this system

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Bob Rosenberg - suggested that process be established to review this idea. Jim Haskins supports idea, but timing is critical since this is also a homeland security issue. Lanier James - this idea has been discussed with manufacturers - the number affixed to containers will help industry, there may already be support for this in Congress. Dave Scott asked if this has been looked at by the ag-chem industry? Charles Rock said that NASDA also looking at this type of thing and that EPA has authority to do this. President McCauley said that we need to decide how to take to full membership or make it an action item. A motion was made to appoint hoc committee to report back to the BOD within 3 months by Steve Dwinell, second by Saxton. Motion Pass. The charge of the adhoc committee is to contact NASDA, contact USEPA, distribute proposal to other associations (NPMA, RISE) and obtain response. Members of committee are:

- James Lanier
- Bob Rosenberg
- Steve Dwinell
- Dave Newbill
- Charles Rock will assist

Steve Dwinell gave the Directory Report. 2002 Directories printed - will be distributed to states at meeting at the registration desk.

George Saxton gave the Hall of Fame Report. Lonnie Matthews nominated - looking for other nominations.

Other Business:

President's Breakfast Monday is open to all attendees.

Charles Rock made a proposal on behalf of Kelly Registration Systems. The proposal is to sell the ASPCRO directory online in two versions - one with policy statement, one without. The website gets 1800 unique hits, and 25,000 hits per month. A motion was made by Steve Dwinell/second by Joe Uram to sell the directory for \$10 per directory to non-members. Of this \$7 would go to KRS and \$3 to ASPCRO. ASPCRO members could download for no cost. There would be only one version of the directory. Motion passed unanimously.

Jim Haskins asked if we should raise fees to non-regulators for meeting attendance. Consensus was no. President McCauley asked for ideas for location for mid-year BOD meeting.

The Board then went into closed session (state regulators only) for a presentation by FMC's Jim Ballard.