2004 Annual Business Meeting

August 21, 2004

The 2004 ASPCRO Annual Business Meeting was called to order at 10:37 am by President George Saxton.

President Saxton gave the Vice President's report due to the Vice President's absence. The annual planning committee has committed to hold the annual meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana at the newly renovated Hilton in 2005, in New Orleans, Louisiana at the Royal Omni New Orleans in 2006, in Charleston, South Carolina at the Charleston Place Hotel in 2007, in Colorado Springs or Denver, Colorado in 2008, in Lexington, Kentucky in 2009, and in Pennsylvania, possibly in the Pocono's area in 2010.

President Saxton requested Secretary Ray Siegel to give the roll call and to present the Secretary's report. The roll was called and the following states were present: Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, Delaware, Georgia, Hawaii, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and Puerto Rico. The minutes to the annual business meeting in 2003 had been posted to the web. Secretary Ray Siegel made a motion to accept the minutes as posted to the ASPCRO web page. Jim Wright seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer Grant Bishop gave the treasurer's report. Thirty-seven states and territories had paid dues for 2004. Total meeting expenses to date have been \$5,000. Total registrations have been \$20,000 with a total in the treasury at \$63,310. Jim Harron moved to accept the treasurer's report. Dale Burnett seconded the motion. The motion passed. The treasurer's report will be available on the web page following the conclusion of the annual meeting.

President Saxton announced that APSCRO recently filled the Executive Secretary's position. Bob Wulfhorst became the first ASPCRO Executive Secretary as of March 1, 2004. If any member has questions about the position or job duties or has jobs for the Executive Secretary to perform, they should contact the Board of Directors.

President Saxton reported on the Termiticide Scientific Review Panel. ASPCRO, in cooperation with NPMA and RISE, selected researchers to be on the TSRP. The TSRP is designed to look at new types of technologies, non-liquids, non-baits, and non-borates. There are five researchers on the panel: Dr. Brian Forschler (chair) – University of Georgia, Dr. Faith Oi – University of Florida, Dr. Brad Kard – Oklahoma State University, Dr. Susan Jones – Ohio State University, and Dr. Barbara Thorne – University of Maryland. President Saxton met with Lois Rossi of US EPA about this panel and the Termiticide Label Review Committee and the Termiticide Standards Committee and was very receptive to working with these committees and the TSRP. The TSRP is now functioning after all members have signed confidentiality agreements. Submission to the TSRP by registrants will be totally anonymous. ASPCRO, NPMA nor RISE will know what products or technology is being reviewed, only that something is being reviewed.

Carl Falco reported on the TLRC. The TLRC also operates under confidentiality agreement. The TLRC reviews the data and the label submitted according to the MOU with US EPA and determines

if the data submitted supports the use pattern on the label. The TLRC works in conjunction with the TSRP and the Termiticide Standards Committee.

Frank Crull reported on the Structural Inspector Training Committee. The committee has developed a manual and any state wishing to get a copy should contact Frank Crull. The committee is in the process of developing a mock trial video that will be on DVD. This video will also be interactive. The committee is also putting together a library of videos submitted from states. This video will have a voice-over to instruct the viewer. These training materials are designed to assists states in training new inspectors or regulators. These materials will also be available to the industry.

David Newbill reported on the Termiticide Pre-treat Committee. A survey was sent out via the Kelly list server on how states regulate preconstruction termite treatments. The committee will continue to update the survey as results come in. The survey results will be posted to the web page. The committee will be meeting with RISE to discuss the feasibility and potential for developing and implementing a tracking system for termiticides.

Carl Falco reported on the Building Committee. The Building Committee, with the assistance of NPMA, RISE and some registrants, attended the International Code Council hearings in Kansas City in May. There were three code amendments that were going to be voted on by the ICC code officials. Two of these amendments that ASPCRO, NPMA, and RISE opposed were defeated but so was the amendment that we favored. ASPCRO also gained assistance and a valuable ally with the National Association of Home Builders. ASPCRO will be working with code officials to develop new language for the next round of code hearings.

The Resolutions Committee reported on resolutions for the membership to vote on. The resolutions are as follows:

Resolution I was a resolution of appreciation for the organizers of the meeting. It read:

The 2004 Annual Meeting of the Association of Structural Pest Control Officials held in Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia has been a meeting complete with high quality informational content and hospitality. It is resolved that ASPCRO sincerely thanks Robert Bailey and the staff of the Virginia Department of Agriculture & Consumer Affairs for organizing and conducting this meeting.

Resolution II was a resolution of appreciation for sponsors of the meeting. It read:

The 2004 Annual Meeting of the Association of Structural Pest Control Officials held in Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia has been a meeting complete with high quality informational content and hospitality. It is resolved that ASPCRO sincerely thank all the sponsors who have contributed to the successful conduct of this meeting. It would not be possible to conduct a meeting without the support of members, registrants, businesses and associations.

Resolutions one and two were moved to accept as read by Carl Falco and seconded by Jim Wright. The motion passed unanimously.

Resolution III is a resolution for the PREP steering committee to have a more open selection process. It read:

The Pesticide Regulatory Education Program (PREP) is designed to educate managers of pesticide programs throughout the United States in various aspects. Most times, request for attendance at these courses exceeds the design capacity of the course. The selection process for attendees in such cases appears to be unclear and inconsistent with the stated goals of the course.

It is hereby resolved that the Association of Structural Pest Control Regulatory Officials urges the PREP steering committee to create a more open and transparent process in the selection of attendees at all future PREP courses to ensure that the stated goals and objectives of the course and PREP are met.

Carl Martin moved to accept Resolution three and was seconded by Carl Falco. The motion passed.

Carl Martin then presented a resolution from the floor. Resolution IV was to support funding efforts and more clearly define funding for Pesticide Safety Educators Panel (PSEP). It read:

Be it Resolved:

Whereas, the safe use of pesticides has provided for improved human health, sanitation, and economic protection; and,

Whereas pesticide safety education is a foundation for safe and effective pesticide use; and,

Whereas education and training in the safe use of all pesticides, especially Restricted Use Pesticides, are necessary for their continued availability; and,

Whereas pesticide safety education provides information necessary to the protection of workers, the environment and the public; and,

Whereas State Lead Agencies (SLAs) rely on pesticide safety education to prepare pesticide applicators for certification examinations; and,

Whereas the Cooperative Extension Service Pesticide Safety Education Program (CES PSEP) has been chosen to play an important role in providing this training;

The Association of Structural Pest Control Regulatory Officials (ASPCRO) supports continued funding of Pesticide Safety Education Programs designed to provide training and education in the use of pesticides, especially Restricted Use Pesticides, to applicators, but not at the expense of other continuing SLA programs, and

ASPCRO supports standards of accountability and reporting for these programs similar to current SLA programs which will help demonstrate their indispensability, and

ASPCRO supports close working relationships between SLAs and CES PSEP through coordination of activities as a part of the funding application.

A motion was made by Grier Stayton and seconded by Bonnie Rabe that Resolution four be accepted as read. The motion passed unanimously.

President Saxton would send letters to AAPCO and NASDA in support of resolutions three and four.

Grant Bishop gave the Nominations Committee report on behalf of Mary Ellen Setting. There are two At-Large Board of Directors positions available. These positions have a two year appointment and will expire in 2006. The committee recommended that Derrick Lastinger from Georgia and Bonnie Rabe from New Mexico be nominated to fill these two positions. There was a nomination from the floor for Frank Crull from Texas to fill one of these positions. A standing vote was taken of the member states. States were only allowed one vote per state while being able to vote for two of the three candidates. The votes were tallied as follows: Derrick Lastinger – 13 votes, Bonnie Rabe – 12 votes, Frank Crull – 3 votes.

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George Rambo asked how records were being reviewed and accepted or not accepted with the advent of a paperless system. When records are required to be submitted or produced by the pest control company, is a paperless or computer screen acceptable? Is there any standardization throughout the states? What about signature capture on the records? Carl Falco volunteered to be the repository for questions from the industry or other states and send these issues out on the list serve.

Executive Secretary Bob Wulfhorst began a discussion on printed ASPCRO directories and the need for printing these off annually. Some of the directories that were sent out have come back due to address or personnel changes. President Saxton polled the audience to determine if the web based or electronic version was the directory primarily used or if the paper directory was used more often. After polling the audience, President Saxton directed the Executive Secretary to discontinue developing an annual paper directory since the web based directory could be printed and bound if needed. President Saxton also directed states to make sure that individual state's information is kept up to date.

Carl Martin gave a PSEP review. PSEP funding as a pass through money from the state lead agency to the safety educators is being questioned as adequate. PSEP and EPA have developed a purpose, scope and mission statement for PSEP. The group has also developed talking points. Carl suggested that ASPCRO have a link to both CTAG and PSEP on the ASPCRO web page. President Saxton directed the web master to make the links.

President Saxton then introduced Don Alexander as the next ASPCRO Hall of Fame Inductee. Don Alexander was received with a standing ovation. Don then gave a brief acceptance speech.

After the induction ceremony, Jim Harron moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jim Wright. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 11:48 am.