



**THE PESTICIDE STEWARDSHIP ALLIANCE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA
February 10, 2015**

Call to Order

TPSA Board President Jack Peterson called the meeting to order at 1 pm EST at the Hilton Savannah Desoto Hotel, Savannah, Georgia. Pam Hodge took roll call with the following members present:

Board Present: Jack Peterson – President, Mike Kamrath – Vice President, Ples Spradley – Immediate Past President, Pam Hodge – Secretary, Directors: Scott Birchfield – Pesticide Industry, Carli Lofing – Waste Management, Ron Perkins – Container Management, Kristine Schaefer – Institution, Jeff Rogers – Government, Mike Porreca – Environment/Public Health.

Ex-Official Members in attendance: Nancy Fitz – US EPA, Bonnie McCarvel – TPSA Operations Manager.

Absent:

Jerry Krebs- End User, and Don Bradley – Treasurer.

Guests:

Anton Arnoldy, Paul Derig, Liza Fleeson, Joe Hoffman, Bob Magee, Maria Mirsky, Kevin Neal, Dave Thompson, and Wendy Sue Wheeler.

A quorum of board was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business. Jack Peterson reminded the Board to abide by the Anti-Trust & Fair Trade Practice Guidelines.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the November 13, ²⁰¹⁴ were presented. One error for correction was presented: add Mike Kamrath to roll call as present. A motion to approve minutes with correction was made. The motion was seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Bonnie McCarvel presented the current treasurers report as provided to the board. Motion was made to approve the report as presented. Motion was seconded, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Annual conference: Committee chair Bob Magee presented a summary of the Annual Conference.

Elections and bylaws: Committee chair Mike Kamrath, reported the election was held and the new board of directors will be announced on Thursday to the members during the Annual Members Meeting.

Communications: Committee chair Kristine Schaefer requested that Nancy Fitz provide an update on the Pesticide Disposal Database. Fitz reported it has not progressed at this time; however a working session is scheduled for Thursday to create a progression plan.

Schaefer reported the proposed PPE webinar needs to be re-evaluated with the Board of Directors for viability to develop.

Schaefer also reported the Mini-bulk PSA Ad Campaign has been a great investment. *CropLife* magazine has published the ad at least 12 times in the past 12 months. After discussion the general agreement by the board was that any new PSA ads would include the TPSA 2015 eight gold sponsors in the ad and their logos would be smaller than in previous ads.

International: Maria Mirsky proposed a version of the "Do Not Re-Use" brochure be developed for Africa and Egypt. Mirsky will provide an update on translation, country and other groups to work with at a future meeting.

Membership: Committee chair Derrick Bell reported the current membership is 124 members, with coverage from 29 states and 4 members from outside the United States. There are 35 individual memberships, 86 organizational memberships from 34 different organizations, and 3 retirees.

Nancy Fitz presented the summary report from the Membership Advisory Council.

A motion was made to modify the existing membership application so applicants would identify a PRIMARY affiliation on their application, effective Sept. 1, 2015. The motion was seconded and discussion followed. To clarify, if there is more than one member from any given organization nominated, the advisory council recommended that the Nominating committee sort things out. Motion carries.

A motion was made to follow the recommendation of the Membership Advisory committee as follows:

The Advisory Committee recommends that the Nominating Committee identify candidates for affiliation director slots on the board using the following procedure:

An affiliation director slot (e.g., Government Agency Director) should be filled by a member that has identified that affiliation area as their (primary) affiliation for at least two years. If there is no one who meets that criterion, an affiliation director slot should be filled by a member that has identified that as their affiliation for one year or the current year. If there is no one who meets that criterion, the nominating committee has the flexibility to leave the spot open or to identify a person from another affiliation area.

Motion was seconded, discussion followed, motion carried. This would be implemented starting September 1, 2015.

Stewardship Awards: Ples Spradley reported that the three awards winners will be announced and presented at the Members Annual Meeting on Thursday.

OLD Business

None

New Business

McCarvel presented options for the 2016 conference site. A motion was made to hold the 2016 Annual conference at the Double Tree in Albuquerque, NM February 9 – 11, 2016. Motion was seconded, discussion followed, motion carried.

Peterson thanked retiring directors Jerry Krebs, Kristine Schaefer, immediate past president Ples Spradley and ex-officio Bryan Gran for their service to TPSA.

Vice President Mike Kamrath introduced the 2016 board of directors per the election results as follows:

- Institution – Wendy Sue Wheeler - 2 year term – 2016-2017
- Government – Jason Deveau - 2 year term – 2016-2017
- End User – Paul Derig - 2 year term – 2016-2017
- At Large – Maria Mirsky - 2 year term – 2016-2017
- Secretary – Pam Hodge – one year term
- Treasurer – Don Bradley – one year term
- Vice President – Jeff Rogers
- Immediate Past President – Jack Peterson
- President – Mike Kamrath

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded, motion carried.

Minutes taken by Pam Hodge.