



## THE PESTICIDE STEWARDSHIP ALLIANCE

Board of Directors Meeting  
Via Conference Call  
May 9, 2019

### **Attendees:**

Officers: Steve Brunt-President, Taryn Van Wassenhove-Vice President, Don Bradley-Treasurer, Jack Ranney-Secretary, and Wendy Sue Wheeler-Immediate Past President.

Directors: Maria Mirsky-At Large, Anne Macmillan-Environment/Public Health, Michelle Wiesbrook - Institution, Angela Martin-Waste Management, Kimberly Gilbert-Pesticide Industry, and Renee Woody-Government.

Ex-Officio: Bonnie McCarvel-TPSA Operations Manager and Jennifer Park, US EPA.

Absent: Clinton Shocklee-Container Management and Becky Roark-End User.

Committee Chairs: Jeff Rogers-Hazardous Waste; Kristine Schaeffer-Communications.

### **Call-To-Order**

President Steven Brunt called the meeting to order via conference call at 10:00 AM CDT and reminded everyone of the Antitrust and Fair Trade Statement which stated at the bottom of the meeting agenda. Roll call was conducted by Secretary Jack Ranney

### **Secretary's Report:**

Secretary's report of February 5, 2019 Board Meeting was presented by Jack Ranney. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Wendy Sue Wheeler and seconded by Kimberly Gilbert. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

The Secretary's report for the February 5, 2019 Board meeting -newly organized Board with newly elected officers and Board Members was presented. A motion to approve was made by Taryn Van Wassenhove and seconded by Angela Martin. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Don Bradley presented the Treasurer's Report. Don Bradley reported the 2019 conference had total income of over \$54,000 and expenses of \$48,000, leaving a surplus of approximately \$6,000. A full Treasurer's report will be provided to the Board.

A motion to approve the report as presented was made by Wendy Sue Wheeler and seconded by Renee Woody. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

## **Committee Reports**

### Annual Conference:

Chair Kimberly Gilbert commented on the financial report provided by Don Bradley, discussed 2020 Conference Planning – agenda, 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, keynote, session presenters and facilitators; and goal to have agenda completed by November 1. Discussion followed. Jeff Rogers provided summary report of the 2019 conference evaluations. A motion was made by Maria Mirsky to approve the committee report as presented, seconded by Wendy Sue Wheeler. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

### Communications:

Chair Kristine Schaefer reported they are working on the TPSA newsletter and work to update the website with current Container Collection and Recycling information, membership testimonials on the website as a recruitment tool and the PSAs for the State Pesticide database.

A motion was made by Renee Woody to approve the committee report as presented, seconded by Michelle Wiesbrook. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

### Election & Bylaws:

Chair Taryn Van Wassenhove - No report.

### Hazardous Waste Disposal:

Chair Jeff Rogers presented the Pesticide Disposition Flow Chart, developed by the Mid America CropLife Association (MACA) Distribution Committee, which was provided with BOD meeting agenda. TPSA needs to determine if they want to have the chart on their website. Jack Ranney requested additional time to review and suggested a special BOD meeting prior to the June 5<sup>th</sup>. After discussion, the general consensus was to delay the vote to allow for additional time to review the document and schedule a special BOD meeting for May 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM CT, with the flow chart being the only item on the agenda. A motion was made by Jack Ranney to delay the proposal and hold a special board meeting as outlined, it was seconded by Taryn Van Wassenhove. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

### International Stewardship:

Chair Tim Cotter was not present; however President Brunt presented his written report as follows:

- In regards containers-the Agro Chemical industry in Europe continues work together on Closed Transfer Systems (CTS). There are two main systems the EZI-Connect, from Scholle IPN and Easy-Flow, from Agrotop. It seems most companies are leaning toward the EZI-connect systems which will require substituting the traditional closures today with new valve type closure. Both systems will enable closure chemical transfer and container rinsing. The Agrotop closure valve is used in the aftermarket by farmers, but requires an induction sealed bottle from chemical manufacturing.
- The above systems do not currently meet the EPA definition for CTS. Paraquat in the USA (Canada) will require CTS by October 2020. The EPA's requirement for non-removal closures may impact the container collection program in the US. There does not seem to be any complete industry alignment to standardize to one system in NA, as is happening in EAME and LATAM.
- Still no push to larger refillable containers in EAME and LATAM.

- Crop Life still has the container management group promoting best container disposal practices. APAC is a large focus for the future.

If there are any specific topics the team would like more information on in the future, please let me know.

A motion was made by Maria Mirsky to approve the committee report as presented, seconded by Taryn Van Wassenhove. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

**Membership:**

Chair Maria Mirsky reported the current membership registration shows 122 members. Jack Ranney volunteered to assist with membership outreach and recruitment; he will craft an outline for outreach and targeting specific groups. A motion was made by Renee Woody to approve the committee report as presented, seconded by Wendy Sue Wheeler. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

**Stewardship Awards:**

Ples Spradley – No report.

**Sponsorship:**

Chair Scott Birchfield was not able to be on the call; however McCarvel reported that Valent is a new sponsor for 2019. A motion was made by Jack Ranney to approve the committee report as presented, seconded by Maria Mirsky. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

Directors & Officers (D&O) Insurance – McCarvel reported the D&O insurance policy will be renewed for another year. A motion was made by Taryn Van Wassenhove to approve the report as presented, seconded by Jack Raney. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

**New Business**

**Budget:**

Budget planning timeline was presented by McCarvel as follows:

<b>May 9, 2019</b>	TPSA BOD discusses overview
<b>Early June</b>	Send committee chairs request for goals and budget
<b>July 1, 2019</b>	Committee requests due
<b>July 25, 2019</b>	Board review/discussion and clarification
<b>August 22, 2019</b>	Board conference call to finalize budget
<b>September 1, 2019</b>	New fiscal year starts

A motion was made by Renee Woody to approve the report as presented, seconded by Don Bradley. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

**Nominating Committee:**

Chair Taryn Van Wassenhove reported they will seek nominations for Directors and Officers in November, 2019. A motion was made by Jack Raney to approve the report as presented, seconded by Wendy Sue Wheeler. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

**Next Board Meeting:**

Next Board meeting will be held on July 25<sup>th</sup> in Washington DC from 9am – 3pm, at the BASF office. Details for meeting will be sent out by McCarvel. Suggested topics include:

- a) What do we want TPSA to be in the future?
- b) Keynote speakers for Annual Conference
- c) Policy and procedures review
- d) Membership recruitment

An informal count of members planning to attend the July meeting was taken for planning purposes. A motion was made by Jack Ranney to approve the report as presented, seconded by Taryn Van Wassenhove. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:**

There being no other business to discuss, President Brunt requested a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Taryn Van Wassenhove to adjourn, seconded by Michelle Wiesbrook. Discussion followed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 AM.

Minutes taken by Jack Ranney.