

Annual NE ASAS/ADSA Business Meeting

March 24, 2018

The annual business meeting was held this year at the NE ASAS/ADSA section meeting. Notes from the meeting are below.

Meeting Called to order 12:37 pm (by Sarah Reed)

Call for minutes to be approved from last meeting

- Maria Hoffman made a motion to approve the minutes
- Wendie Cohick Seconded the motion
- Minutes from the last meeting were approved

Financial report from Tara Felix and Sarah Reed

- Year to date balance for 2017 (12/31/17) is \$10, 954
 - o Balance would not include the financials from the 2018 NE ASAS/ADSA meeting
- Wendy Cohick asked why the financials have appeared to go down over the years
- Steve Zinn commented that it was likely due to ADSA not supporting the NE section any longer

Report from ASAS president, Dr. Steven Zinn

- o The journals have moved to a new publisher (Oxford Journals)
- o There are now 3 journals supported by ASAS
 - Journal of Animal Science
 - Translational Animal Science
 - Animal Frontiers
- o The meeting abstract programs have been changed
 - This was an effort to help the process go faster.
 - Because the process is more efficient, deadlines are not as stringent and are a bit later this year compared to years past.
- o ASAS continues to work with the office in Washington to maintain a presence there
 - Every quarter, they invite scientists to meet with house staffers and discuss issues faced in animal science.
 - Dr. Zinn believes this is having a positive impact in Washington.
- o ASAS has a new strategic plan
 - The new strategic plan include several international “sections”. Sections including:
 - Canadian Society of Animal Science
 - Australian Society of Animal Production
 - Chinese (will be added soon)
 - These sections were identified because of the support and participation from these regions in past meetings.

- Dr. Zinn encouraged participants that ASAS was still committed to maintaining a NE section

Old business to be discussed

- Grad student video competition from 2017
 - 6 videos from 3 universities were submitted in 2017
 - Videos were well done and feedback was positive
 - Awards:
 - 1st place: Amanda Jones (UCONN)
 - 2nd place: Mary Wynn (UCONN)
 - 3rd place: Caeli Richardson (Univ. of Guelph)
 - The video competition will be held again in 2018
 - Announcement will go out in early April
 - Submissions will be May 15, 2018
 - This video competition replaces the in person grad student competition NE ASAS/ADSA section used to have at Joint Annual Meeting due to the changes that have occurred with that meeting
- NE Faculty Awards
 - Nominations will be solicited nominations for those 3 awards in 2018:
 - Young Scientist Award - Researcher
 - Young Scientist Award - Educator
 - Distinguished Service Award
 - The 2017 awards went to:
 - Young Scientist Award - Researcher – No award made
 - Young Scientist Award - Educator – Dr. Tara Felix (Penn State)
 - Distinguished Service Award – Dr. Thomas Hoagland (UCONN)
 - Tara Felix suggested we do an announcement about award winners through the NE section email list not just through Taking Stock as it was done last year
- NE officer nominations will be coming up this summer
 - Because we rotate nominees between ASAS and ADSA, this year's nominee needs to be an ADSA nominee because we elected an ASAS officer in 2017
 - Will need a grad rep as well (possibly 2)
 - Megan Smith has done her 2 years and is off
 - Dominique Martin has done 1 year and may or may not stay on
 - An announcement will go out, please nominate your colleagues
- Discussion ensued over plans then for 2018-2019
 - Questions asked and discussion that followed were:
 - Do we have a regional meeting?
 - Concern about the small turnout for the 2018 meeting was brought up
 - It was suggested that perhaps the turnout was due to time of year
 - Consider having it in the fall?
 - Likely would be October 2019 based on the timing this year

- Perhaps we consider trying to draw Cornell and Penn State University in by having a meeting there?
 - The suggestion to piggyback on either the Cornell or the Penn State nutrition conference was made
 - Tara Felix will talk to Jud Heinrichs and Sabrina Greenwood will talk to Tom Overton about piggy backing on the nutrition conferences

New Business

- No new business
- Steve nominated Sabrina Greenwood for the Secretary/treasurer position
 - Sabrina accepted the nomination

Maria Hoffman motioned to adjourn the meeting

Sabrina Greenwood seconded

Meeting was adjourned at 1:14 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tara L. Felix, PAS, PhD

Secretary/Treasurer of NE ASAS/ADSA Section