

**Minutes  
Business Meeting  
Southern Section, American Society of Animal Science  
New Orleans, Louisiana**

January 30, 1995

The annual business meeting of the Southern Section, American Society of Animal Science was called to order by President David Buchanan in the Burgundy room of the Hyatt Regency New Orleans in New Orleans, Louisiana at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 30, 1995. The following items of business were transacted at the meeting.

1. **Welcome to Louisiana.** Dr. Paul Humes, Head of the Department of Animal Science at Louisiana State University, welcomed the group to Louisiana and indicated that LSU was pleased to host the meeting. He spoke about the status of the animal industry in Louisiana and its importance to the state economy.
2. **Recognition of Past Presidents.** President Buchanan recognized the following: Southern Section, ASAS Past Presidents - Drs. Clarence Ammerman, Gary Cromwell, Don Franke, Joe Fontenot, Ray Harvey, Bill Luce, and George Mitchell. He recognized ASAS Past Presidents - Drs. Gary Cromwell, Joe Fontenot, and Clair Terrill.
3. **ASAS President's Report.** Dr. Elton Aberle from the University of Nebraska, current ASAS President, discussed various topics related to the affairs of the society. He emphasized several benefits from membership in the society - the journal, a source of professional identification and a source of knowledge. He mentioned that the society leadership is attempting to improve the societies' services with the journal a priority item. A committee, Editor's Technical Advisory Committee, appointed to work with the editor-in-chief is recommending increased use of electronic publication. The journal is now on the internet with lists of articles to be published in the next 2 months. He encouraged the use of electronic submission of abstracts for the national meetings in Orlando. The society is striving for more editing function of the journal by electronic means to enhance speed of publication and reduce publishing costs. The membership structure was changed regarding the way members may sign-up. Members now have the option of taking membership without the journal. The strategic planning committee recommended that the scope of the organization be broadened. The committee recommended involving the disciplines more fully in the society - meetings, publication of the journal, leadership roles and business affairs. The first step in that direction was the revision of the constitution by-laws that was circulated around Christmas time. The main change is the selection of the board of directors. The society is looking for ways to improve the quality and format for the annual meetings. More workshop type sessions are being considered. There is discussion about being more strict in the quality of abstracts. The program committees are being encouraged to develop new quality standards for accepting abstracts. A report was received regarding the role of sections in the future of the society from an ad hoc committee chaired by Gary Cromwell. The committee gave support for the continuation of geographical sections. Consideration was given to possible realignment of section boundaries and how sections might operate to enhance effectiveness. Dr. Aberle concluded by saying that he was excited about the things that are happening in our dynamic society and expressed appreciation for the opportunity for being at the meeting.

4. **Executive Vice President Report.** Dr. R. G. Zimbleman made an excellent report on his work for the society. Dr. Zimbleman stated that it is a time of change in Washington as elsewhere - mergers and downsizing of corporations, etc. He stated that the "new congress" may create an environment of reasonable regulation. Current priority issues are meat inspection, drug availability, and sustainable agriculture. The USDA reorganization is suffering from lack of visibility by not having a permanent USDA Secretary. The lack of a permanent Under Secretary of Research, Education and economics results in not having someone to defend agricultural research. He commented on the congressional science fellow program. John Goldberg the current fellow is stationed with Pat Roberts, Chair of the House Agricultural committee. John is working with Mr. Gundersen on meat inspection. The nomination of congressional science fellows for next year was encouraged. Dr. Zimbleman concluded by expressing appreciation for the opportunity to be present at the meeting.
5. **Manager, Business Office ASAS.** Mr. Carl Johnson made several comments regarding the work in his office. He underscored Dr. Aberle's comments regarding the society's desire for the membership to submit their abstracts by a electronic means (either disk or e-mail). The reason is the journal will be offered electronically and it is hoped to have the abstracts as a supplement to the journal. Carl mentioned that Glen Emery and his staff are doing a great job of preparing for the national meeting in Orlando, Florida - July 25 - 28. The Clarion will be the headquarters hotel, but reservations will need to be made through the convention bureau.
6. **Secretary - Treasurer's Report.** Dr. Paul Harms reported that there were 165 full, and 79 graduate student registrations for the meeting this year. Minutes of the 1994 annual meeting and the 1994 Treasurer's report were approved as distributed. The treasurer's report is filled with the minutes.
7. **Recognition of Sponsors.** Dr. Buchanan emphasized the gracious support that the Southern Section has received. He reminded the attendees that the sponsors are listed on page 2 of the program and on a sign near the registration desk. The sponsors contributed to specific activities and to the general fund for supporting the meeting. Dr. Buchanan mentioned how important the contributions are in maintaining the meeting registration at the lowest level possible. He encouraged the membership to personally thank the sponsors.
8. **Symposia and invited Speakers Report.** Dr. Buchanan said that he had identified 5 different symposia in the program this year: Extension Section, The Challenge of Ethics in Junior Livestock Shows; Teaching Section, Leadership Development in Directing Undergraduates in Research; Non-Ruminant and Ruminant Section combined, The Intestinal Tract: New Frontiers in Animal Nutrition and Ruminant Nutrition, Nutritional Implications of Heat Stress. In addition there were 14 invited papers in several different sections. He said that the special presentations contributed in significant ways to the excellent program. He said that the program chairs need to be complimented on the way they went about their business in organizing these symposia and inviting the speakers.
9. **Joint Session Report.** Dr. Bill Ellis said that the joint session entitled "Waste Management" was very well attended - attendance varying from 80 to 160. He recommended that the joint session be better coordinated with other societies. He said that if it is truly a joint session that animal science, dairy science, agronomy and forages need to agree upon a designated time slot for the session.

10. **Membership Report.** Dr. Buchanan said that handouts regarding membership for the society were available at the entrances to the room. The southern section has a total of 1485 members so the southern section is represented reasonably well. He emphasized that hard work must continue to maintain and enhance our membership, particularly with students.
11. **Awards Competition - Graduate Student.** Dr. Bill Flowers was chair of the graduate student committee. There were 5 papers entered in the competition. He had no report at this time and would make his comments during the awards presentation.
12. **Awards Competition - Undergraduate Student.** Dr. Don Mulvaney acknowledged the effort of his committee members Kevin Pond and Bruce Pratt. He related that his committee invited Drs. Marco Fernandez and Jeff Armstrong to present papers regarding their experiences with undergraduate research efforts at Louisiana State and North Carolina State, respectively. His committee recommending relaxing the rules to permit up to two individuals from any one institution. He said his committee recommended that the requirement of a full length manuscript be dropped. He emphasized that some form of an extended abstract was still necessary. No action was taken on the recommendation from the committee.
13. **Academic Quadrathlon Report.** Dr. Craig Wood reported that ten schools participated in the competition. The laboratory practical was held at the Louisiana Experiment Station at Baton Rouge. He complimented the participants and their advisors for their outstanding work and cooperation. First place - Virginia Tech, Second place - Texas A&M University, and Third place - Oklahoma State. He expressed appreciation to the members of the committee: Drs. R. Geisert, C. Rosenkrans, C. Skaggs and S. TenBroeck.
14. **Extension Report.** Dr. Monty Chappell reported that they had three different sections with good attendance - > 50 individuals attending each session. He reported that the tri-annual conference will be held in Lexington, Kentucky in October. Dr. Roger McCraw will be taking over the leadership of the group in March.
15. **Necrology Report.** Dr. H. Essig reporting for the committee reported that all departments of animal Science in the southern section had been contacted. The following individuals passed away during 1994: Dr. C. Pope, Louisiana State University; Dr. A. J. Clawson, North Carolina State University. It was mentioned by several members at the meeting that Drs. D. Hargraves (Florida) and F. Powell (Tennessee) also died during the past year. The written committee report is filed with these minutes.
16. **Resolutions.** Dr. J. Waller read the following resolutions offered by the resolutions committee: Resolution No. 1. - Recognition of Academic Quadrathlon Host, Resolution No. 2. - Recognition of Hosts, Resolution No. 3. - Commendation to Officers. A motion to accept the report of the committee was made, seconded and carried. The written committee report detailing each resolution is filed with these minutes.
17. **Nominations and Elections Results.** Dr. Buchanan reported on the nomination - election procedures for the selection of the new member of the officer team. He reported that that person will serve through all of the positions that we have in the Southern Section. Drs. Rick Barb and Jeff Armstrong were the candidates this year for Secretary - Treasurer Elect. Dr. Armstrong was elected. Dr. Buchanan welcomed Jeff to the officer group.

18. **New Business.** There was no new business.
19. **Installation of New President.** Dr. Buchanan thanked the Southern Section for the privilege of serving as an officer and wished the best for the society and the new president. He then passed the gavel to the new president Dr. Phil Utley. Dr. Utley then expressed appreciation to Dr. Buchanan for his leadership and presented him a plaque which read "American Society of Animal Science Southern Section honors Dr. David S. Buchanan for outstanding leadership as President 1994 - 1995."
20. **Adjournment.** Upon a motion and a second, the membership voted unanimously to adjourn at 5:50 p.m. Dr. Utley reminded the group that the awards ceremony would begin at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul G. Harms  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Southern Section, ASAS

American Society of Animal Science  
Southern Section  
Financial Report  
January 1 - December 31, 1994

Cash on hand December 31, 1993 \$8,919.28

INCOME:

Donations	2,250.00
Proceedings - Don Ely	316.00
1994 Meeting Registration	4,373.00
1994 Dues Allotment	2,400.00
ASAS Travel Support	1,500.00
Interest	<u>267.57</u>

TOTAL INCOME \$11,106.57

EXPENSES:

Postage	\$1,759.99
Program Printing (1994)	827.23
Abstracts (1994)	631.05
Call for Papers	839.01
General Printing	231.56
Plaques	687.69
1994 Reception/Break	658.91
Awards	550.00
SAAS	<u>2,439.00</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES \$8,624.44

Cash on hand December 31, 1994 \$11,401.41



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## MEMORANDUM

To: Dave Buchanan, President  
So. Sec. ASAS

From: H. W. Essig, Chmn *H.W.E.*  
Necrology Committee

Subject: 1994 Necrology Report

Date: January 23, 1995

All Animal Science Departments in the Southern Section of American Society of Animal Science were contacted for a report of individuals that passed away in 1994. The following is a list of those individuals.

Dr. Charles Pope (1928-1994) joined Louisiana State University Extension Service in 1962 as an associate specialist in 1963. He served more than 30 years when he retired in 1993 as Poultry specialist. He died August 30, 1994.

Dr. A.J. Clawson, Professor Emeritus, Swine Nutrition, North Carolina State University. He died January 12, 1994.

*Don Hargrave Univ Fla -*  
*Jack Miller TAMU 1993*  
*Fred Powell U Tenn Feb 1994*

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