

WSASAS Business Meeting

Thursday, June 19, 2012 – 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. MDT

Minutes

2011/12 WSASAS Officers:

A. Roberts, President; G. Duff, President Elect; B. Taylor, Secretary/Treasurer; C. Larson, Industry Representative; R. Cockrum and L. Camacho, Graduate Student Representatives; J. Whittier, ASAS-Western Board Director.

1. Call to Order: A. Roberts called the meeting to order at 07:30 a.m.
2. Approval of the Agenda (see appendix 1): Item 4.2: Replace J. Sartin with M. Benson; Item 4.4: Replace D. Crews with A. Roberts; Item 4.5: Replace D. Rule with R. Endecott; and Item 5.2: delete and replaced with “Comments on future publication of WSASAS Proceedings.” Modified agenda was approved by general consent.
3. Approval of the Minutes (see WSASAS Proceedings Vol. 63): M. Salisbury moved and H. Neibergs second a motion to approve the 2011 Business Meeting minutes. A. Roberts called for comments/questions; none were made. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Reports
 - 4.1. Financial: J. Hemmelgarn presented the report (see appendix 2). A. Roberts called for comments/questions; none were made. Report was accepted by general consent.
 - 4.2. ASAS President: M. Benson presented the report (see appendix 3). A. Roberts called for comments/questions; none were made.
 - 4.3. WSASAS President: A. Roberts presented the report (see appendix 4). A. Roberts called for comments/questions; none were made.
 - 4.4. WSASAS Committees
 - Advisory and Coordinating: M. Salisbury presented the report (see appendix 5). A. Roberts called for comments/questions; none were made.
 - Necrology: A. Roberts reported that 2 former members of the WSASAS, Tom Dunn and Dave Morris, had passed away this past year. A. Roberts called for additional names for the Necrology report; none were made. A. Roberts called for a monument of silence and remembrance for Tom Dunn and Dave Morris.
 - Nominating: G. Duff reported the results of the 2012 WSASAS officer elections, which were:
 - Glenn Duff – President
 - J. Bret Taylor – President Elect
 - Jim Berardinelli – Secretary/Treasurer

- Connie Larson – Industry Representative
 - Kelsey Quinn – Graduate Student Representative. A total of 5 graduate students were nominated for the position.
- A. Roberts called for comments/questions; none were made.
- Beef Symposium: G. Duff reported that the Beef Symposia were well attended and successful. A. Roberts called for comments/questions; none were made.
 - Awards: G. Duff presented the report (see appendix 6a). C. Larson presented the Applied Animal Science Award supplemental report (see appendix 6b). A. Roberts called for comments/questions; none were made.
 - Graduate Student Paper Competition: H. Neibergs presented the report (see appendix 7). A. Roberts called for comments/questions. B. Taylor stated that several graduate students were not allowed to compete because their membership was expired; advisors should remind graduate students that ASAS/WSASAS membership must be renewed each year.
- 4.5. Academic Quadrathlon: R. Endecott presented the report (see appendix 8). A. Roberts called for comments/questions. Comments were made about moving the AQ back to spring. However, it was pointed out that WSASAS had recently visited this issue, and WSASAS had voted to hold the AQ joint with WSASAS. Other comments were made about hosting an undergraduate poster/oral competition in conjunction with the AQ and WSASAS annual meeting.
- 4.6. Graduate Student Representative: R. Cockrum reported that the Young Scholars Award proposal was completed and ready for action and comment from the membership. Further report on the award was carried forward to New Business-Item 5.1.
5. New Business
- 5.1. Young Scholar Award: B. Taylor moved and J. Whittier a motion to incorporate the Young Scientist Award proposal as presented by R. Cockrum, L. Camacho, and C. Larson (see appendix 9). A. Roberts called for discussion. R. Cockrum stated that if the motion passes, comments were welcomed on how to best launch the program for 2012/13. A. Roberts suggested that a web-based venue should be made available for the membership to provide comments. J. Sprinkle and C. Larson suggested that the Young Scholar Award should not be considered an award. Further comments were made that the name should be changed to Young Scholar Recognition. No other discussion was made. Vote was called and motion passed unanimously.
- 5.2. Comments on future publication of the WSASAS Proceedings:
- B. Taylor and M. Wulster-Radcliffe presented the current situation with the WSASAS Proceedings. Briefly, FASS will no longer produce the WSASAS Proceedings. For the 2012 Proceedings, ASAS outsourced publication services for the 2012 WSASAS proceedings at 1/3

- the cost normally charged by FASS. ASAS-JAS has requested the WSASAS consider: (1) using Manuscript Central as the submission venue for future proceedings, (2) changing the proceedings to a peer-reviewed publication, (3) changing the style and format to match JAS, (4) establishing a memorandum-of-understanding with ASAS-JAS on how the proceedings is to be managed in the future. A. Roberts called for comments/questions, which were voiced by D. Hallford, J. Sprinkle, S. Ivey, J. Whittier, T. Ross, A. Roberts, C. Schauer, and G. Duff. Questions/Comments were: (1) Will publishing data in a “peer-reviewed” WSASAS Proceedings preclude the data from being published in a peer-reviewed journal as original research? (2) Can proceedings submissions be rejected? If rejected, how will appeals be handled? (3) Will editors for the proceedings be selected within the Western Section membership? (4) Will the volume number be consecutive with previous proceedings? (5) Will the “look” be altered? (6) Will submission deadlines be earlier in the year? (7) Will ASAS, JAS, or WSASAS receive funds from proceeding sales? (8) How will “proceeding submitters” that have no intention of presenting at the WSASAS meeting be identified and culled from the final proceedings publication? (9) How will proceedings papers for the Graduate Student Paper Competition be handled?
- A. Roberts stated that an e-based comment and question venue will be established to receive input from the WSASAS membership before the WSASAS Executive Committee makes a final decision.
 - A. Roberts established a committee to work with ASAS-JAS in finalizing the publication processes of future WSASAS Proceedings. Volunteers were: D. Hallford, J. Whittier, B. Taylor, and C. Schauer.
6. Transfer of the Gavel: A. Roberts transferred the gavel to President-elect, G. Duff. G. Duff presented A. Roberts with service recognition plaque.
 7. Adjourn – G. Duff adjourned the meeting at 8:56 a.m.

Appendices

Appendix 1

WSASAS Business Meeting

Thursday, June 19, 2012 – 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. MDT

Sheraton, Phoenix – South Mountain Room

AGENDA

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| 1. Call to Order | A. Roberts |
| 2. Approval of the Agenda | A. Roberts |
| 3. Approval of the Minutes | A. Roberts |
| 4. Reports | |
| 4.1. Financial | B. Taylor, J. Friedrich |
| 4.2. ASAS President | J. Sartin |
| 4.3. WSASAS President | A. Roberts |
| 4.4. WSASAS Committees | |
| • Advisory and Coordinating | M. Salisbury |
| • Necrology | D. Crews |
| • Nominating | D. Crews |
| • Symposiums | |
| ○ Beef Symposium, Systems | G. Horn |
| ○ Beef Symposium, Arid Environments | R. Funston |
| ○ Beef Symposium, Stress | G. Duff |
| • Awards | G. Duff |
| • Graduate Student Paper Competition | |
| ○ 2012 competition | H. Neibergs |
| ○ Membership, abstracts, and proceedings | M. Wulster-Radcliffe, B. Taylor |
| 4.5. Academic Quadrathlon | D. Rule, M. Wulster-Radcliffe |
| 4.6. Graduate Student Representative | R. Cockrum, L. Camacho |
| 5. New Business | |
| 5.1. Young Scholar Award | R. Cockrum, L. Camacho,
C. Larson |
| 5.2. Policy: “zero nominations” for awards | M. Salisbury |
| 6. Transfer of the Gavel | G. Duff |
| • Adjourn | |

Appendix 2

American Society of Animal Science					
Financial Report-Western Section					
For the Five Months Ending May 31, 2012					
	Actual @	Actual @	Actual @	Actual @	Actual @
	05/31/12	05/31/11	05/31/10	05/31/09	12/31/11
Balance as of January 1	\$51,549.34	\$58,404.68	\$55,119.98	\$55,896.83	\$58,404.68
Revenue and Support					
Dues-ASAS					1,316.00
Registrations		8,230.00			14,475.00
Ticketed Events	1,600.00	2,441.00	1,290.00		4,139.00
Donations-Awards	1,050.00	700.00	2,900.00	700.00	1,250.00
Donations-Symposium		2,830.00			4,760.00
Symposium Support-ASAS					3,000.00
Proceedings	9,150.00	8,305.00	2,850.00	1,495.00	9,090.00
Investment Earnings Gain(Loss)	550.97	2,566.70	(499.48)	872.50	(872.53)
Total Revenue and Support	12,350.97	25,072.70	6,540.52	3,067.50	37,157.47
Expenses					
Programs/ Registration					221.22
Awards/Plaques					6,403.00
Quadrathlon				3,600.00	4,389.95
Convention Center					10,370.61
Travel-Staff				1,158.43	4,687.89
Marketing	864.99	3,143.01			3,272.55
Proceedings					1,406.63
Postage, Shipping & Supplies	17.09	8.70		7.88	638.15
Writer's Workshop				443.19	
Miscellaneous					1,363.80
Insurance	139.05				111.24
Telephone				96.86	
General Printing					345.48
Staff Support	2,297.08	4,017.39	2,984.94	4,007.80	10,802.29
Total Expenses	3,318.21	7,169.10	2,984.94	9,314.16	44,012.81
Net Revenue over Expense	9,032.76	17,903.60	3,555.58	(6,246.66)	(6,855.34)
Balance as of December 31	\$60,582.10	\$76,308.28	\$58,675.56	\$49,650.17	\$51,549.34

Appendix 3

(M. Benson did not submit a report to be included in the minutes)

Appendix 4

(A. Roberts did not submit a report to be included in the minutes)

Appendix 5

2012 Western Section ASAS Advising and Coordinating Committee Report
Mike Salisbury, Chair
Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX

Assignment: On May 31, 2012, the Advising and Coordinating Committee was assigned the task to draft a policy on Award Nomination Deadlines.

Background: In past years, there are often no or no qualified nominations for the awards presented at the WSASA annual meeting. Often times the deadlines had been extended to allow more time for making nominations. However, due to the fact that a policy had not been established on how the deadline should be administered annually the committee was requested to meet and draft a recommendation for establishing award nomination deadlines.

The committee met via email May 31, 2012 – July 3, 2012 to discuss options, draft a policy and approve a draft policy for submission to the Executive Board.

Members (Participated in Discussion):

TX–M. W. Salisbury (Participated)
AK–M. P. Shipka (Participated)
CO–J. E. Bruemmer
NM–D. M. Hallford (Participated)
ID–J. B. Glaze (Participated)
WY–K. M. Cammack
WY–R. R. Cockrum
ND–L. E. Camacho
MT–R. C. Waterman (Participated)
MT–J. G. Berardinelli (Participated)
NM–E. J. Scholljegerdes (Participated)

Following much discussion, the committee was split 4 to 3 on a policy. Since the vote was so closely divided, two policies were drafted for the Executive Board to consider. Policy 1 received 4 votes and Policy 2 received 3 votes.

I. Award Nomination Policy – No Deadline Extension

The WSASAS Secretary/Treasurer will solicit nominations for society awards from WSASAS members via mailings, e-mail notifications and/or website postings. Award nominations will cease on the deadline set by the WSASAS Secretary Treasurer. If no nominations for a particular award are submitted, the award will not be given that year. In the event that nominations (one or more) are submitted before the deadline, the WSASAS Awards Committee will evaluate the submissions and determine if a qualified individual is among the nominees. If the committee determines there are no qualified nominees for a particular award, the award will not be given that year.

II. Award Nomination Policy – Deadline Extension

The WSASAS Secretary/Treasurer will solicit nominations for society awards from WSASAS members via mailings, e-mail notifications and/or website postings. Award nominations will cease on the deadline set by the WSASAS Secretary Treasurer. If no or very few nominations for a particular award are submitted by the original deadline, a two (2) week deadline extension will be imposed. Following the two (2) week deadline extension, if no nominations for a particular award have been received, the award will not be given that year. In the event that nominations (one or more) are submitted (before original or extended deadline), the WSASAS Awards Committee will evaluate the submissions and determine if a qualified individual is among the nominees. If the committee determines there are no qualified nominees for a particular award, the award will not be given that year.

Appendix 6a

2012 Western Section ASAS Awards Committee Report
Glenn Duff, Chair
Montana State University, Bozeman

Committee Membership

G. C. Duff, President-Elect (12, Montana State University, Bozeman)
A. L. Van Eenennaam, (12, University of California-Davis)
A. Ahmadzadeh (12, University of Idaho)
S. Archibeque (13 Colorado State University)
S. I. Paisley (13, University of Wyoming)
D. C. Rule (13, University of Wyoming)

2011 Recipients

Distinguished Service Award

Recipient: Dr. Doug Hixon, University of Wyoming
Sponsor: DSM Nutritional Products, Inc.
c/o Scot Williams and Yvonne Towns
45 Water View Blvd.
Parsippany, NJ 07054-1298

Nominators: Dr. David R. Ames, Colorado State University

Distinguished Teaching Award

Recipient: Dr. James G. Berardinelli, Montana State University
Sponsor: Elanco Animal Health
c/o Dr. Todd Armstrong
2001 W. Main Street
PO Box 708
Greenfield, IN 46140-2714

Nominators: Dr. Glenn C. Duff, Montana State University

Extension Award

Recipient: Dr. Rachel Endecott, Montana State University
Sponsor: Western Section ASAS
Nominator: Dr. Glenn Duff, Montana State University

Young Scientist Award

Recipient: Dr. Shanna L. Ivey, New Mexico State University
Sponsor: Western Section ASAS
Nominator: Dr. Tim T. Ross, New Mexico State University

Drs. Andy Roberts and Glenn Duff presented Distinguished Teaching, Extension and Young Animal Scientist Awards and Dr. David Ames and Andy Roberts presented the Distinguished Service Award at the banquet on July 18, 2012. Glenn Duff thanked all who submitted nominations and encouraged nominators to get to work early and nominate our deserving colleagues in 2013.

Appendix 6b

2012 Applied Animal Science Award Connie Larson

16 papers submitted

University of Wyoming: 2
Colorado State University: 2
South Dakota State University: 2
North Dakota State University: 2
New Mexico State University: 2
Montana State University: 3
Oklahoma State University: 1
University of Nebraska-Lincoln: 2

Committee Members: 18 total (14 industry sponsors and 4 academic participants)

Tim Bodine	PerFormix Nutrition
Mark Branine	Pfizer
Dan Dhuyvetter	Ridley Block
Kristy Dorton	Diamond V
Allison Grove	AG Research, LLC
Kim Hagar	CHS
Jeff Heldt	LOL Purina
Jim Killen	Strauss Feeds
Connie Larson	Zinpro
Jeremy Martin	Great Plains Consulting
Trey Paterson	Padlock Ranches
Sonda Sibole	IMI Global
Kelcey Swyers	Ranchway Feeds
Gary Tibbetts	Zinpro
Court Campbell	
Mike Hubbert	NMSU
Mark Petersen	Ft. Keogh
Burke Theikert	

Placing:

1st Place: \$500.00: Metabolizable protein supply alters pregnancy and subsequent retention rate during heifer development while grazing dormant winter forage. J. T. Mulliniks[†], D. E. Hawkins[§], K. K. Kane[†], S. H. Cox[†], L. A. Torell[†], E. J. Scholljegerdes[†], and M. K. Petersen; [†]New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, 88003; [§]West Texas A&M University, Canyon, TX, 79016; [¶]USDA-ARS Fort Keogh Livestock and Range Research Laboratory, Miles City, MT 59301

2nd Place: \$300: Effects of post-AI nutrition on growth performance and fertility of yearling beef heifers. R. P. Arias¹, P. J. Gunn², R. P. Lemenager², and S. L. Lake¹; ¹Animal Science Department, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY; ²Department of Animal Sciences, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

3rd Place: \$200: Heifers with low antral follicle counts have low birth weights and produce progeny with low birth weights. A. F. Summers¹, R. A. Cushman², and A. S. Cupp¹. ¹University of Nebraska- Lincoln, Lincoln, NE; ²USDA-ARS U.S. Meat Animal Research Center, Clay Center, NE

Graduate Student Competition Committee Report – 2012
Holly Neibergs, Washington State University

Committee members

Holly Neibergs, Washington State University, Chair; Shanna Ivey, New Mexico State University; Rachel Endecott, Montana State University; Kraig Peel, Colorado State University; Chad Mueller, Oregon State University; Eric Scholljegerdes, New Mexico State University; Jason Ahola, Colorado State University; Scott Lake, University of Wyoming

The committee nominates Chad Mueller (Oregon State University) as committee chair for 2013. Holly Neibergs, Shanna Ivey and Rachel Endecott have completed their three year terms. The committee recommends Ryan Ashley (New Mexico State University), Chris Schauer (North Dakota State University), and Michelle Mousel (USDA, ARS Dubois) as replacement members.

Competition

The GSC Committee received 28 abstracts; 6 abstracts were not considered for the competition due to failure to meet proceedings deadlines or scheduling conflicts. Twenty-six of the abstracts were presented during the session as two abstracts (that were not under consideration for the competition) were not presented. Therefore, 22 abstracts were considered for competition:

J.T. Mulliniks, New Mexico State University; M.G. Dib, Colorado State University; M.L. Van Emon, North Dakota State University; E.A. Bailey, Kansas State University; K.P. Sharon, Montana State University; J.M. Sieg, Utah State University; M.V. Sis, Colorado State University; P.E. Repenning, Colorado State University; K.E. Quinn, New Mexico State University; E.E. Nix, Montana State University; L.E. Camacho, North Dakota State University; P.L. Steichen, North Dakota State University; K.L. Weber, University of California at Davis; B.J. Bigler, Colorado State University; R.R. Cockrum, University of Wyoming; C.G. Jackson, North Dakota State University; P.L. Black, New Mexico State University; M.K. Beckman, New Mexico State University; C.A. Roberts, South Dakota State University; D.L. Ragen, Montana State University; N.L. Hojer, South Dakota State University; Q.P. Larson, North Dakota State University;

Considerations

Conflicts of interest were identified; those with conflicts of interest did not participate in judging and discussion of the respective paper/presentation.

Results

The results of the GSC were tabulated and awards were presented at the WSASAS awards banquet. Individual awards were:

First Place: M.K. Beckman, New Mexico State University

Digestibility of algal biofuel co-product in a forage diet. M.K. Beckman, L.N. Tracey, N. Miller, K. Norman, K. Marchetti, E.J. Scholljegerdes, S.A. Soto-Navarro, C.L. Loest, and S.L. Lodge-Ivey.

Second Place: K.E. Quinn, New Mexico State University

Fetal and maternal induction of angiogenic factors during early pregnancy. K.E. Quinn, J.D. Lindsey, S.M. Stanbrough, A.K. Ashley, and R.L. Ashley.

Third Place Tie: L.E. Camacho, North Dakota State University and C.A. Roberts, South Dakota State University

Maternal diet restriction in beef cows alters fetal cardiovascular hemodynamics and fetal and placental development during early pregnancy. L.E. Camacho, C.O. Lemley, K.C. Swanson, and K.A. Vonnahme.

Institutional Award. The institutional award for the highest average score with 2 or more contestants was presented to the **New Mexico State University** by Connie Larson from Zinpro Corporation. WSASAS expresses its gratitude to Zinpro and Connie Larson for their continued support of the Graduate Student Competition and the Institutional Award.

Appendix 8

WESTERN SECTION ASAS ACADEMIC QUADRATHLON REPORT Rachel Endecott – Montana State University

The Western Section Academic Quadrathlon was held in conjunction with the seminal National ASAS Quadrathlon. The following universities participated in this year's event: New Mexico State University; Colorado State University; University of Wyoming; Utah State University; Oregon State University; and Montana State University.

The contest began on the University of Arizona campus in Tucson with the Written Exam followed by the Lab Practicum events. The University of Arizona provided a first class event with equally fine accommodations; many thanks to the University of Arizona! The teams returned to Phoenix to complete the remaining two events, which were held Saturday the 14th. The results of the contest are shown in the table below. Congratulations to Colorado State University for winning the overall and moving onto the National AQ event to represent the Western Section. Colorado State University will have their scores from the Written Exam, Lab Practicum, and Oral Presentations events entered along with those respective scores from the winners of the other three regions: Ohio State University, Penn State University, and Texas A&M University. The rankings within the National event will be combined with the results of the National ASAS quiz bowl to determine the National ASAS AQ champion.

SCHOOL	QUIZ BOWL	WRITTEN	LAB PRACTICUM	ORAL PRESENTATION	OVERALL
UTAH ST.	1	4	4	5	3.5
OREGON ST.	2	3	5	4	3.5
MONTANA ST.	3	5	2	6	5
WYOMING	4	2	3	2	2
NEW MEXICO ST.	5.5	6	6	3	6
COLORADO ST.	5.5	1	1	1	1

The Western Section AQ advisors met to discuss several issues. The first involved awards. The advisors agreed to develop a traveling trophy instead of plaques; we will begin this with the 2013 contest. The second issue discussed was moving the WS AQ back to the Spring Semester because of the new hardship that the winning team will have traveling to both the June WS ASAS meetings and then again in July to the National ASAS for the National AQ. The hardship is barely doable with the June meeting, and we cannot expect the students, especially those who graduate during the spring semester, to leave jobs twice for the contest. The advisors voted unanimously to make this move, and it will be in the best interest of the student participants if we pursue this starting in 2013. The Western Section ASAS board will need to approve this move; we encourage the board not to delay the decision so that we can plan for next year's event. Pending WS ASAS board approval, we have tentatively scheduled the 2013 WS AQ for the second weekend in April in Bozeman, Montana.

Dan Rule, WS AQ Chairman

Rachel Endecott: rachel.endecott@montana.edu

Appendix 9

Western Section of ASAS Announcement of the Animal Science Young Scholars Award

Graduate Student Directors: Rebecca Cockrum and Leticia Camacho

During the 2012 Business meeting of Western Section American Society of Animal Science (WSASAS), members of the WSASAS will be asked to vote on whether to establish a new separate session for the Western Section Animal Science annual meeting. Title of this proposed session is “Young Scholars Award”.

Proposal:

The specific aims of this program are to:

- 1) Acknowledge the research accomplishments of current and/or recent Ph.D. and M.S. students in the Western Section of ASAS, and
- 2) Generate more member participation through providing a platform that showcases exceptional and contemporary research of future scientists.

Graduate students interested in being considered for the Animal Science Young Scholars Award **must be current members of WSASAS** and must submit a Western Proceedings Paper. Major Professors or individuals closely familiar with the candidate’s research and academic achievements can nominate qualified students. From the initial pool of applicants, a Young Scholars Award Committee will identify four Ph.D. and four M.S. students for further consideration. Student selected from the initial pool will then be invited to submit 2 additional letters of recommendation (one letter from the department chair), a 2-page essay discussing their future goals, and an abstract. The Young Scholars Award Committee will then select the top two Ph.D. and top two M.S. students for the Young Scholars Award. Awardees will be required to present a 30-minute presentation during the annual WSASAS meeting on their thesis or dissertation research allowing for a detailed discussion of innovative and relevant research. A \$350.00 monetary award, sponsored by Zinpro and a plaque will be presented to each awardee during the WSASAS awards banquet. The Young Scholars Award proposed is to acknowledge the research accomplishments of Ph.D. and M.S. students in Animal Science through an oral presentation format; the scholarship is not proposed as a graduate student competition.

Overview and timeline:

1. Students in their final year or within 12 months of having completed their Masters or Doctorate program are eligible to be considered for the Animal Science Young Scholars Award. **Candidates must be current members of WSASAS.**
2. A call for nominations will be issued in October and nominations will be due by December. Major professors or individuals closely involved with the nominee’s research and academic achievements can nominate qualified students. To nominate a student, a one-page letter discussing the student’s research and academic achievements and the student’s curriculum vitae will be required.
3. Once all nominations have been received, a Young Scholars Awards Committee will review the letters of referral and select the top four Ph.D. students and the top four M.S. students to be further considered for the Young Scholars Award.
4. The top eight selected students will be contacted via e-mail by a committee representative to request 2 additional letters of recommendation (with one letter from the department chair), a 2-page essay discussing their future research goals and potential impacts of future research, and an abstract. Supplemental material will be due back to the Young Scholars Awards Committee by January. From these candidates, two MS and two PhD students will be selected to receive the Award.
5. Final decisions on the Young Scholars Award will be made by Mid- to late January.
6. A member of the Young Scholars Award Committee will contact the selected Young Scholars via phone. Awardees will present research following the WSASAS beef symposium. A 30-minute presentation will be given by each awardee discussing their thesis or dissertation research with time allotted during the 30 minutes for questions.

7. All Young Scholars awardees will be required to submit an abstract and proceedings paper in accordance with the National ASAS and WSASAS schedule.

8. Proceedings papers will follow the guidelines as published by WSASAS and there will be no page fee for the awardees.

9. Students selected for this recognition and who present their research at the joint ASAS and WSASAS meeting will receive a plaque, complimentary meeting registration, and a \$350.00 monetary award.

10. Personal statements, recommendation letters, and abstracts should be sent electronically to the Young Scholars Award Committee by early January.

For more information please contact:

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Budget:

Item	Cost
<i>Costs</i> (2 M.S. and 2 Ph. D. students)	
Monetary award (4 students @ \$350.00 each)	\$1400.00
Plaques (\$50.00 each)	\$200.00
Meeting registration (\$100.00 each)	\$400.00
Proceedings paper (\$25.00/page)	\$600.00
<i>Revenues</i>	
Zinpro sponsorship	-\$2000.00
WSASAS (proceedings paper)	-\$600.00
Total	\$0.00

*****Western Section Graduate Student Event, Sponsored by Western ASAS