

2016 WSASAS Annual Business Meeting
Salt Lake City, Utah
Prepared by: Kimberly Vonnahme, A&C Chair

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:45 am, Friday, July 22.

Approval of the agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was put forth by John Hall, Seconded by Ken Olson. Motion Passed.

Approval of the minutes: Minutes were considered and a motion to approve the minutes was put forth by Ken Olson, seconded by Rachel Endecott. No discussion. Motion passes.

Reports

Financial Report: Jacelyn Hemmelgarn reported that the decrease we see in net assets is reflective of the fact that investments are down. David Bohnert commented on the decreasing trend of net assets over the last 5 years. It was commented that the investments play a big role in that number. Ken Olson commented that we may want to consider raising proceedings costs. Olson further commented on raising registration and Beef Symposium registration rates. We need to adjust appropriately over time for these events. Boone Carter inquired what our investments are; it was relayed back that 4% of our investments come from ASAS. See Appendix 1.

2016 Annual WSASAS Meeting: Mike Salisbury reported that WSASAS had 205 registered; 139 registered for the Beef Symposium; there were 142 that attended the Awards banquet; and there were 52 proceedings papers.

ASAS President: Dr. Mike Looper, President of ASAS, reported that the attendance for JAM, WSASAS and ISAG was ~4000.

Highlights include:

- ASAS has ~6000 in membership. There is increasing membership with a greater growth in the international membership. This reflects the mission to grow in diversity.
- Journal of Animal Science has an average submit to publication rate of 160 days
- The Impact factor was 2.0 with greater than 26K citations.
- Universities should inquire about having Editor-in-Chief, Jim Sartin, come out and provide information on submission requirements to JAS.
- Bylaw changes are being discussed at the ASAS Business meeting and he encouraged our presence at that meeting.
- ASAS Strategic Plan needs to be updated.
- Innovate meetings in September on Animal Health
- Upcoming meetings include: 2017-Baltimore; 2018-Vancouver

WSASAS President: Mike Salisbury gave the president's report. The strategic plan for WSASAS needs to be worked through. Kim Vonnahme was voted in as Secretary/Treasurer. Reinaldo Cooke will be the new A&C chair and the 2018 meeting will be head in Oregon. There is a continued need to smooth the submission process of the proceedings papers. Shanna Ivey discussed that we can submit the proceedings papers via Manuscript Central. This will allow the proceedings to be searchable and edited by the technical editor. For the graduate competition, the original submission will be provided to the judges for the competition piece. There will be no extra cost to use manuscript central and the submission deadline will be similar. Dr. Salisbury also commented that we need to plan ahead 3 years for our meetings to allow enough planning time.

WSASAS Committees

Academic Quadrathlon: Rachel Endecott reported that the 2016 Western Section AQ was hosted by Chico State on April 15-16 with 4 teams participating. Results as follows:

1. Chico State
2. Montana State (tie)
2. New Mexico State (tie)
4. Oregon State

Next year, the competition will be held at OSU. Matt Kennedy will become the chair.

Advising and Coordinating: Kim Vonnahme reported the A&C Committee discussions. A full report is in Appendix 2.

Awards: Jim Berardinelli thanked the members of the awards committee as all reviewers reviewed and had timely ranking. March 28th was the submission date, we need to make sure the guidelines are on the website. See Appendix 3.

GLNC: Ken Olson. The GLNC started on Sunday. There were 16 oral presentations and there were invited posters as well. There were 21 volunteer posters. There were 139 registrants. The proceedings from this event will be posted on the JAS website. Funding from this event came from the annual beef symposium budget as well as support from the National office. The support was greatly appreciated.

Graduate Student Paper Competition: Jim Oltjen reported that there were 17 papers with 9 institutions represented with 5 being eligible for the institution award. Just a reminder that students must be WSASAS members. Recommendations from the judges. There must be an IACUC statement. For the institutional award, it was suggested that the top 2 scores from each institution be used. The other option is to use the average of the scores. It was discussed by several members that the objective of the institution award is should be about the institution, not necessarily the individual talks. There was discussion about creating an index. Other commented that the average may be a better indicator, and would keep it less complicated. It was suggested to have the A&C committee and Graduate Competition committee work together to come up with a plan. See Appendix 4.

Graduate Student Representative Report: Hannah Cunningham reported that there were 68 at the graduate student Lunch and Learn. Evaluations were done to decide on next year's topic. The mixer had good attendance. Stacia Prosser is the new representative. Thank you to Kelcey Quinn for her service.

Necrology: Jim Berardinelli reported that Dr. James Oldfield passed. A moment of silence was given. See Appendix 5.

Nominating: Jim Berardinelli reported that the WSASAS representative to ASAS is Glenn Duff. Please nominate your colleagues for leadership roles in our society. See Appendix 6.

Undergraduate Student Poster Competition: Kasey DeAtley reported that the time was a little tight to judge. If we continue to use ePosters, there will need to be some adjustments to the guidelines. As of now, there are only abstracts that are submitted (i.e. no undergraduate proceedings papers). Would like to determine if there could be an option to submit a proceedings paper if someone is interested. See Appendix 7.

Young Scholars Program: Brenda Alexander reported that the PhD recipient for the WSASAS Young Scholar was Rodrigo da Silva Marques from Oregon State University. There were 2 MS recipients: Amy Abrams from University of Wyoming and Stacia Prosser, New Mexico State University. Boone Carter made the suggestion that perhaps the Young Scholars could give a perspective at the awards banquet.

No other Old Business was discussed.

New Business

Proceedings on CDs for this meeting will be placed in the mail.

Future site selection discussion included Idaho for 2019. Idaho agreed. It was moved by Berardinelli and seconded by Endecott. Motion passes. There is a new site selection form that needs to be completed.

For the 2020 meeting, discussion to have it joint with Sacramento resulted in the following Pros: It exposes the grad students to a bigger meeting and the ASAS; it helps draw in others to the GLNC; it is cheaper to attend the joint meetings if a person wishes to attend WSASAS and ASAS; The Cons: Loss of the WSASAS "feel". It was moved that WSASAS be held in 2020 in Sacramento by Joel Caton; Seconded by Jim Oltjen. Motion passes.

Kim Vonnahme welcomed everyone to attend the 2017 meeting in Fargo.

It was requested that the A&C and Exec committees give consideration to newer faculty to serve on the WSASAS committees. Moreover, it is important to keep the membership informed of which committees members are part of. Shanna Ivey stated that there are 6 open committee assignments and that she will be slating new people to committees. Any suggestions should be sent to her as she fills these positions. IT is important that there is an industry representative on the Applied Animal Science committee.

It was suggested that we have a Dr. Hallford Appreciation Club with the revenue going towards graduate student travel to the WSASAS meetings. If Dr. Hallford accepts this, it was moved that \$25K be raised with 4% going towards graduate student travel yearly. It was moved by John Hall and seconded by Sergio Soto-Navarro. Motion passed.

Appendix 1

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ANIMAL SCIENCES					
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES					
WESTERN SECTION					
	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD	YTD
	12/31/15	12/31/14	12/31/13	12/31/12	12/31/11
Revenue and Support					
Ticketed Events	\$ 12,835	\$ 7,500	\$ 9,875	\$ 3,360	\$ 4,139
Donations and Sponsorships	6,875	5,500	5,625	1,425	1,250
Proceedings	7,265	4,365	8,385	10,745	9,090
Registrations	18,155	13,965	20,146	1,566	20,551
Investment Earnings Gain (Loss)	(679)	1,989	6,922	5,246	(873)
Total Revenue and Support	44,451	33,319	50,953	22,342	34,157
Expenses					
Programs/ Registration	1,094	3,356	1,297	2,292	221
Awards/Plaques	12,012	13,935	13,898	6,235	5,950
Convention Center	22,947	6,982	17,125	1,716	10,371
Marketing	1,094	3,841	3,302	865	3,273
Proceedings	4,605	3,036	4,021	2,348	1,407
Postage, Shipping & Supplies	-	1,329	363	17	984
Miscellaneous	4,437	7,186	7,183	2,707	7,895
Insurance	-	-	-	195	111
Staff Support	1,220	(1,253)	6,553	3,784	10,802
Total Expenses	47,409	38,412	53,742	20,159	41,014
Change in Net Assets	(2,958)	(5,093)	(2,789)	2,183	(6,857)
Net Assets, Beginning of Period	45,850	50,943	53,732	51,549	58,405
Net Assets, End of Period	\$ 42,892	\$ 45,850	\$ 50,943	\$ 53,732	\$ 51,548

Appendix 2

Report for the Advising and Coordinating Committee
July 20, 2016

Members present: Shanna Ivey, Kristi Cammack, Sergio Soto-Navarro, Connie Larson, Ligia Prezotto, Reinaldo Cooke, Kimberly Vonnahme

Members of the committee met at JAM and discussed issues dealing with symposia rotation, teaching webinars, graduate students competition, and meeting site selection.

The A&C committee recommends that the beef symposium be held on an annual basis. The committee also recommends that the host institution has the option to do another symposium at their discretion.

The A&C committee recommends that a 3 person committee be formed to try a teaching webinar series. This would greatly benefit members of the WSASAS that have greater teaching appointments. Some suggestions include: having the webinar be free to WSASAS members, but available to national ASAS members, having the webinar during fall and spring semester, and be short in duration (~1 hour).

For graduate competition papers:

The A&C committee acknowledges the importance of animal approval by local institutions to perform animal research, and it is important that our students understand this importance. The A&C recommends that the guidelines for competing students and judges include a statement to assure this is clearly worded. We recommend having one of the 2 statements included in the proceeding and presentation: 1) This project was approved by the animal care and use committee of [insert the institution]; 2) This project did not require IACUC approval.

The A&C committee recommends that a judge can not judge a presentation from their institution. We request that the titles, authors, and institutions of the presentations that were submitted for competition be available to the Graduate Competition chair within 1 month to ensure that there are adequate numbers of reviewers for each paper. The chair can seek ad hoc reviewers to serve as judges if needed.

The A&C committee recommends that the Graduate Competition committee include a representative from institutions that have participated over the last 3 years. The President Elect has the authority to remove and replace a person who has not participated in committee responsibilities within a given year.

For the institution award of the graduate competition:

The A&C committee recommends that the judges average the scores of all presenters within an eligible institution for the institution award.

The Young Scholar award:

The A&C committee recommends that the Young Scholar application deadline be moved up and the selection of the award be made a minimum of 30 days prior to the proceedings submission. We further recommend that a student selected for the Young Scholar is still eligible to compete in the competition.

Meeting site selection:

The A&C committee recommends that the form for potential meeting sites be posted online immediately so that future selection sites may be made a minimum of 2 years in advance.

Appendix 3

2016 WSASAS Awards Committee Report

Prepared by James G. Berardinelli, Past-President

Committee Members:

James Berardinelli, Montana State University (Chair)
Scott Lake, University of Wyoming
Kimberly Vonnahme, North Dakota State University
Rick Funston, University of Nebraska
Gary Moss, University of Wyoming
Clint Loest, New Mexico State University
Shawn Archibeque - Colorado State University

Call for WSASAS award nominations was sent via e-mail to the membership and posted on the WSASAS 2016 Annual Meeting site on March 8, 2016. The deadline for nominations was March 28, 2016. Nominations were submitted through the WSASAS web site electronically using "WizeHive". "2016 Western Section Award Guidelines" were also posted on the WSASAS Annual Meeting web site.

Nominees by Award were:

Distinguished Service Award (established 1971)

Dr. Connie Clark, Zinpro Corporation
Dr. Michael Galyean, Texas Tech University
Dr. N. Andy Cole, USDA, ARS, Texas

Distinguished Teacher Award (established, 1987)

Dr. Ryan Ashley, New Mexico State University
Dr. Shawn Archibeque, Colorado State University

Extension Award (established, 1987)

Dr. Doug R. Tolleson, University of Arizona; currently, Texas A & M University

Young Scientist Award (established, 1975)

Dr. Craig Gifford, Oklahoma State University; currently, New Mexico State University
Dr. Jennifer Martin, Colorado State University
Dr. Kasey DeAtley, California State University, Chico
Dr. Reinaldo Cooke, Oregon State University, EOARC, Burns

The charge to the Committee members for review was to "Review the guidelines for the ASAS Western Section Awards to ensure you are judging the award based on the appropriate criteria" for each award. Each member was then asked to evaluate each nominee for each award on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 = most qualified; 5 = least qualified); unless there was a "conflict-of-interest" (COI) between a Committee member and a nominee. Dr. Shawn Archibeque declared a COI for review of the Distinguished Teacher Award because he was a nominee. One nominee, for the Distinguished Service Award (Dr. Connie Clark), was not reviewed due to the eligibility rule for WSASAS Awards which states: "Eligibility for

Nomination: 1) A nominee must be a member of the Western Section of the American Society of Animal Science, but may not be an officer of the regional organization at the time of nomination.” Dr. Larson is a current member (Secretary-Treasurer) of the WSASAS Executive Committee.

Ratings of each nominee for each award were then submitted by each Committee member to ASAS office via WizeHive. Mrs. Jacelyn Hemmelgarn, Chief Operations Officer of the ASAS, reported the ratings and comments of the Committee’s evaluations of nominees for each award to the Chair, Jim Berardinelli. The Chair and Mrs. Hemmelgarn verified the top ratings and the award winner’s qualifications. The Chair sent the names and salutations of each winner by e-mail to WSASAS Executive Committee for approval. The Chair contacted the nominators of each award winner by e-mail so that they could notified their respective award winner, and requested that each be present at the Annual Meeting to introduce and present their respective award winner with a plaque and monetary award. The Chair then sent, by e-mail, a personalized (signed) “letter of notification of award” to each award winner, highlighting the impressive comments by Committee Members and meritorious qualifications of each winner. Additionally, the Chair sent, by e-mail, a message to each of the nominators of non-award winners expressing the WSASAS thanks for their time, effort, and eloquent nominations, time, efforts in this important matter of business of the Western Section, and requested that they consider nominating that individual for next year’s award cycle. Lastly, the Chair recognized and expressed appreciation to the members of the 2016 WSASAS Awards Committee for their diligence, time, effort, and expertise in the review of the nominees and selections of the award winners.

The 2016 Award winners and Nominators for each award were:

The Distinguished Service Award

Dr. Michael Galyean, Texas Tech University

Co-nominators - Dr. Mark Branine (Zinpro Corp.) and Dr. Micheal Hubbard (NMSU)

The Distinguished Teacher Award

Dr. Ryan Ashley, New Mexico State University

Nominator – Ms. Stacia Z. Prosser, Graduate Student, New Mexico State University

The Extension Award

Dr. Doug Tolleson, University of Arizona; currently, Texas A & M University

Nominator – Dr. James E. Sprinkle, University of Idaho

The Young Scientist Award

Dr. Reinaldo Cooke, Oregon State University, EOARC, Burns

Nominator – Dr. David Bohnert, Oregon State University, EOARC, Burns

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Appendix 4

Graduate Student Paper Competition

Christopher Schauer, Chair

Western Section American Society of Animal Science, Salt Lake City, UT

June 20, 2016

Committee Members: Christopher Schauer (NDSU; Chair), Lauren Hanna (NDSU), James Oltjen (UC, Davis), Dan Faulkner (UA), Tanja Hess (CSU), A. Summers (NMSU), Jennifer Gifford (NMSU), Whit Stewart (MSU), Melanie Beckman (Zinpro), and S. Trojan (TTU).

Five committee members were in attendance at the 2016 meeting including: C. Schauer, J. Oltjen, A. Summers, J. Gifford, and M. Beckman. Additional written scores were submitted by L Hanna and W. Stewart. S. Trojan, D. Faulkner, and T. Hess did not participate in any of committee's tasks.

Seventeen proceedings were submitted for competition from nine institutions and all were accepted for presentation. Prior to acceptance, abstracts were evaluated for evidence of hypothesis driven research and statistical analysis. Proceedings were accepted as submitted with no request for revised manuscripts/abstracts.

Proceedings and presentations were all high-quality. For scoring, an average score of the written (50 possible points) and oral presentation (50 possible points) was calculated and then combined for a total score (100 points). The top five placing were: 1). E.R. Oosthuisen, 2). M.S. Crouse, 3) C.S. Hebbert, 4) J.J. Kincheloe, and 5) K.M. Schubach.

Institutions were deemed eligible for the institutional award with two competitors. Institutions eligible for the 2016 award were: New Mexico State University (n=3), North Dakota State University (n=3), Oregon State University (n=3), University of Wyoming (2), and the University of Nebraska (2). Colorado State University, Montana State University, UC Davis, and South Dakota State University were not eligible for the institutional award with only one competitor from each institution. For scoring, the top two scores from each institution were used to calculate a total institution score. Using this matrix New Mexico State University was the top scoring institution with students placing 1st and 3rd, with a combined score of 185.3. North Dakota State University placed 2nd, with students placing 2nd and 6th and a combined score of 181.7.

Future consideration needs be given to allowing the Chair to find proxies or replacements for committee members that cannot attend. We added a 10th judge 5 days prior to the meeting as we were down to 4 judges planning on being in attendance for the oral competition.

Per the committee's discussions last year and the WSASAS Annual Meeting minutes, the committee conducted a conference call on 6/15/2016 and has provided the following recommendations to be considered by the board for adoption as part of the rules of the WSASAS Graduate Student Competition: Revisions of guidelines approved to be forwarded to board

- 1) Institutional Award: To be eligible for the Institutional Award, a minimum of 2 students participating is required. The highest 2 scores from each institution will be used to calculate the Institutional Award winner.
- 2) Conflict of interest for grading: Committee members cannot grade any paper/presentation for their own students or if they are listed as an author on a paper. However, they can grade students within their own institution, as long as the committee member is not listed as an author.
- 3) IACUC Statement suggested wording to be added to the guidelines for authors: "If the research project required IACUC approval, please include the Approval # in the Materials and Methods.

Appendix 5

2016 WSASAS Necrology Report

Prepared by James G. Berardinelli, Past-President

WSASAS membership was reminded, via e-mail from Ms. Jacelyn Hemmelgarn of ASAS, to notify Jim Berardinelli of the passing of past and present WSASAS members, and affiliated members of the Section during the past year (2105-2016) May 18, 2016.

Jim Berardinelli received 1 name submitted by Dr. David Bohnert on April 6, 2016, originally sent to by Dr. Killefer, Department Head, Oregon State University. Dr. Killefer wrote, *"I am passing along the sad news of Dr. James Oldfield's passing. Dr. Oldfield has been so very instrumental in not only helping shape the culture of Animal Sciences at OSU and across the state and nation, but he has had a tremendous influence on the personal lives of many of us. We will miss Jim as he truly embodied what it is to be a "Gentleman and Scholar".*

Dr. Oldfield was 94 years of age when he passed away on Sunday, April 3, 2016.

Dr. Oldfield obituary can be viewed:

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/statesmanjournal/obituary.aspx?pid=179608326>

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Appendix 6

2016 WSASAS Nominating Committee Report

Prepared by James G. Berardinelli, Past-President

Committee Members:

Glenn Duff, New Mexico State University

J. Bret Taylor, USDA, ARS, Dubois, ID

For the 2016-2017 election cycle, the Western Section had the following three position on the WSASAS Executive Committee: 1) Secretary-Treasurer; 2) WSASAS Representative to the National Board; and, 3) Western Section Graduate Director. The "Notice of Election" was e-mail to the membership by Ms. Jacelyn Hemmelgarn May 18, 2016, and posted on the WSASAS 2016 Meeting web site for electronic voting, along with biographical sketches for each nominee. Notice was given that, "If you have any questions about the election site, contact Jacelyn Hemmelgarn (jacelynh@asas.org, 217-689-2432) or Melissa Burnett (melissab@asas.org, 217-689-2433) to receive a paper copy of the candidates' biographical information.

The voting deadline was posted as 11:59pm CDT on June 24, 2016. The Election actually closed on June 28, 2016.

Nominees were:

For Secretary-Treasurer

Dr. Kimberly Vonnahme, North Dakota State University (unopposed)

For National ASAS Director, Western Section (listed on ballot as 'Western Section Representative to the National Board')

Dr. Glenn Duff, New Mexico State University

Dr. Scott Lake, University of Wyoming

(There were no other nominees)

Western Section Graduate Director

Noe Alberto Gomez, University of California, Davis

Stacia Prosser, New Mexico State University

Shelby Rosasco, New Mexico State University

Results of the Election were:

For Secretary-Treasurer (1-yr term; 2016-2017)- Dr. Kimberly Dr. Kimberly Vonnahme, North Dakota State University

For National ASAS Director, Western Section (3-yr term; 2016-2019) - Dr. Glenn Duff, New Mexico State University

For Western Section Graduate Director (2-yr term; 2016-2018)* – Ms. Stacia Prosser, New Mexico State University

*Mr. Noe Alberto Gomez, University of California, Davis, won the election by 1 vote. However, the Chair was notified by Mr. Gomez on July, 13, 2016, that he would be unable to perform the duties of this office due to personal reasons. After Executive Committee approval, Ms. Prosser was notified by Ms. Kelsey Quinn (out-going Graduate Representative) that she was the next highest vote-getter and elected as the in-coming WSASAS Graduate Representative. The other were 2 other candidates for the WSASAS Graduate Director Position were notified by the Chair via e-mail of the results of the election and were encouraged to submit their qualifications for this position in the future.

Lastly, the Chair recognized and expressed appreciation to the members of the 2016 WSASAS Nominating Committee and Mrs. Jacelyn Hemmelgarn, Chief Operations Officer of the ASAS, for their diligence, time, effort, and expertise in the review of the nominees for these positions and management of the process for the 2016 WSASAS election.

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Appendix 7

Western Section American Society of Animal Science 88th Annual Meeting
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Undergraduate Poster Competition Committee Report

The third annual undergraduate poster competition was conducted on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 at the Salt Lake City Convention Center (Salt Lake City, UT). A total of six undergraduates submitted abstracts for the poster session. Institutions represented included California State University, Chico, North Dakota State University, and North Carolina State University. Committee members that served as judges included Dr. Rachel Endecott, Dr. Kristi Cammack, Dr. Scott Spiedel, and Dr. Boone Carter. Winners of the poster session were:

1st Place: G.E. Woodmansee, California State University, Chico

2nd Place: S.E. Butterfield, California State University, Chico

3rd Place: L. Huffacker, California State University, Chico

Monetary awards included \$250 for 1st Place, \$150 for 2nd Place, and \$100 for 3rd place. Committee members are seeking additional sponsors for the 2017 contest and will be editing poster score sheet and procedures.

Respectfully submitted,
Kasey DeAtley, Chair