

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
Western Section, American Society of Animal Science
July 14, 2010
Denver Convention Center, Denver, CO

President Gary Moss called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM.

Acceptance of 2009 WSASAS Minutes.

After a call for additions or amendments, minutes of the 2009 WSASAS Business Meeting were accepted as printed in the 2010 Western Section ASAS Proceedings.

2009 Financial and 2010 Meeting Reports.

Andy Roberts, Secretary-Treasurer, USDA, ARS, Fort Keogh LARRL, Miles City, MT

The WSASAS financial report as of December 31, 2009 was summarized. In the 2009 calendar year, the Section total revenue was \$67,023.07 and total expense was \$67,799.92, leaving a balance of \$55,119.98. The detailed report is included in these minutes as an appendix.

The 2010 Western Section ASAS meeting was held in conjunction with the Joint Annual Meeting (JAM) of ASAS, ADSA, AMPA, CSAS, and PSA. Total registration for the JAM meeting was 3963 (4638 including spouses). There were 69 papers accepted for publication in the Proceedings of the WSASAS: 21 Graduate Student Competition Papers, 26 other oral presentations and 22 posters. The awards luncheon was attended by 92 individuals.

Necrology Committee Report.

Dick Battaglia, Past-President, University of Idaho (Presented by Andy Roberts, Secretary-Treasurer)

Two WSASAS members passed away during 2008-2010:

1. David Porter Price, Las Cruces, New Mexico
2. Dr. Venerand (Vennie) Nayigihugu, University of Wyoming

The report was followed by a moment of silence in memory of our deceased members.

Nominating Committee Report.

Dick Battaglia, Past-President, University of Idaho (Presented by Andy Roberts, Secretary-Treasurer)

Committee Members

1. R. Battaglia, Past President, University of Idaho
2. K.C. Olson, South Dakota State University
3. Tim Ross, New Mexico State University

Nominees for 2010 WSASAS elections were:

President-Elect:	Andy Roberts, USDA-ARS-LARRL, Miles City, MT
Secretary-Treasurer:	Glenn, Duff, University of Arizona
ASAS Western Section Director:	Jack Whittier, Colorado State University
Graduate Student Representative:	Rebecca Cockrum, University of Wyoming
	Megan Van Emon, North Dakota State University

Election results were:

President-Elect:	Andy Roberts, USDA-ARS-LARRL, Miles City, MT
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Secretary-Treasurer: Glenn, Duff, University of Arizona
ASAS Western Section Director: Jack Whittier, Colorado State University
Graduate Student Representative: Rebecca Cockrum, University of Wyoming

Extension Symposium Committee Report.

Not applicable this year

Beef Symposium Committee Report.

Not applicable this year

Academic Quadrathlon Committee Report.

Dan Rule, University of Wyoming

Committee Members:

1. Dan Rule, University of Wyoming, Chair
2. Sergio Soto-Navarro, New Mexico State University
3. Hyungchul Han, Colorado State University
4. Randy Weidemeier, Utah State University
5. Jim Lamb, BYU – Idaho

The 2010 Western Section Academic Quadrathlon contest was held on the Utah State University campus. Dr. Brett Bowman with the assistance of Ms. Tami Spackman organized this year's event. Participating schools included Utah State University (Brett Bowman, Advisor), New Mexico State University (Kali Benson, advisor), Colorado State University (Scott Howard, Advisor), Oregon State University (Matt Kennedy, advisor), BYU-Idaho (Dr. Jim Lamb and Willy Twitchell, Advisors). Order of placement in the written exam was USU, CSU, OSU, NMSU, and BYU-I. Order of placement in the oral presentations was CSU, OSU, USU, BYU-I, and NMSU. Placement in the laboratory practicum was USU, NMSU, BYU-I, OSU, and CSU. Order of placement in the quiz bowl was CSU, OSU, USU, BYU-I, and NMSU. Order of overall placement was USU, CSU, OSU, NMSU, and BYU-I. Utah State University will be invited to the National AQ contest. Participants from each school were:

Utah State University: Jaci Fasselin, Scott Heins, Tara Roche, Kristin Sittner.

New Mexico State University: Jim Armendariz, Jovani Armendariz, Scott Gutierrez, Patrick Pachta.

Oregon State University: Ruben Mendoza, Kirby Flynn, Sam Moxley, Jaime Senthirajah.

BYU-Idaho: Benjamin Baird, Jill Searle, Cari Berrett, Shaun Harris.

Colorado State University: Blake Aiton, Will Callis, Mike Ochs, Dani Shubert.

The 2011 WS AQ contest will be held in conjunction with the WS ASAS meetings at Miles City, MT.

Awards Committee Report.

Denny Crews, President-Elect, Colorado State University.

Committee Members:

1. D. H. Crews, Jr., Colorado State University
2. M. Du, University of Wyoming
3. M. E. Doumit, University of Idaho
4. T. E. Engle, Colorado State University
5. J. M. Thompson, Oregon State University
6. M. D. MacNeil, USDA-ARS-LARRL, Miles City, MT

Distinguished Service Award

Recipient: Dr. Charles T. Gaskins, Washington State University
Sponsor: DSM Nutritional Products, Inc.
c/o Scot Williams and Yvonne Towns
45 Water View Blvd.
Parsippany, NJ 07054-1298
Nominator: Dr. Denny Crews, Colorado State University

Distinguished Teaching Award

Recipient: Dr. Amin Ahmadzadeh, University of Idaho
Sponsor: Elanco Animal Health
c/o Dr. Todd Armstrong
2001 W. Main Street
PO Box 708
Greenfield, IN 46140-2714
Nominator: Drs. Matt Doumit and J. Benton Glaze, University of Idaho

Extension Award

Recipient: Dr. Alison Van Eenennaam, University of California, Davis
Sponsor: Western Section ASAS
Nominator: Dr. Anita Oberbauer, University of California, Davis

Young Scientist Award

Recipient: Dr. Clint Loest, New Mexico State University
Sponsor: Western Section ASAS
Nominator: Dr. Dennis Hallford, New Mexico State University

Drs. Gary Moss and Denny Crews presented awards at the banquet on July 13. Denny Crews thanked all who submitted nominations and encouraged nominators to get to work early and nominate our deserving colleagues in 2011.

Applied Paper Awards.

Connie Larson, Chair

Results of the Applied Paper Competition were presented at the banquet on July 13 . The Applied Animal Science Paper Awards were presented to:

- 1st place Summers, A. F., K. H. Ramsay, and R. N. Funston. University of Nebraska West Central Research and Extension Center. Influencing steer performance through maternal nutrition.
- 2nd place Funston, R. N., J. L. Martin, A. F. Summers, D. C. Adams, and D. M. Larson. University of Nebraska West Central Research and Extension Center. Paper title: Winter grazing system and supplementation of beef cows during late gestation influence heifer progeny.
- 3rd place Martínez-Pérez, M. F., D. Calderón, F. Loya-Holguin, A. Soto-Gaspar De Alba, C. Murdock, A. M. Encinias, and S. A. Soto-Navarro. New Mexico State University. Paper title: Supplemental corn dry distillers grains plus solubles on performance of steers grazing native range.

Graduate Student Competition Committee Report .
Kristi Cammack, University of Wyoming

Committee Members:

1. Kristi Cammack, University of Wyoming, Chair
2. Darrin Boss, Montana State University
3. Cory Parsons, Oregon State University
4. Shanna Ivey, New Mexico State University
5. Rachel Endecott, Montana State University
6. Holly Neibergs, Washington State University

The committee nominated Darrin Boss (Montana State University) as committee chair for 2011. Cory Parsons had not participated in this committee to-date. Therefore, the committee recommends Chad Mueller of Oregon State University as a replacement for Parsons. Kristi Cammack completed her 3-year term. The committee recommends Scott Lake (University of Wyoming) as the replacement committee member.

For the first time, abstracts were submitted to the respective discipline committee for acceptance or rejection prior to being seen by the GSPC Committee. The committee received 24 abstracts; 3 abstracts were not considered for the competition due to failure to meet proceedings deadlines or scheduling conflicts with the student. Therefore, 21 abstracts were considered for competition:

Eckerman (North Dakota State University)
Saevre (North Dakota State University)
Tracey (New Mexico State University)
Sproul (Kansas State University)
McDonald (Montana State University)
Macek (Kansas State University)
Eckerle (Kansas State University)
Nichols (Montana State University)
Sharman (Oklahoma State University)
Russell (New Mexico State University)
Carter (New Mexico State University)
Schutz (Colorado State University)
Sanchez (New Mexico State University)
Keithley (Montana State University)
Coopridier (University of California-Davis)
McCosh (Montana State University)
May (Oregon State University)
Moriel (University of Wyoming)
Allen (University of Arizona)
McMurphy (Oklahoma State University)
Cruz (University of California-Davis)

Conflicts of interest were identified; those with conflicts of interest did not participate in judging and discussion of the respective paper/presentation. Results of the GSPC were tabulated and awards were presented at the banquet on July 13. Individual awards for the Graduate Student Competition were:

1 st place	Philip Moriel	University of Wyoming
2 nd place	Casey McMurphy	Oklahoma State University
3 rd place	Morgan Russell	New Mexico State University

Institutional Award. The institutional award for highest average score with 2 or more contestants was presented to New Mexico State University. This award is made possible by the generous support of Zinpro 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 Institutional Awards.

Advisory and Coordinating Committee Report.

Glenn C. Duff, University of Arizona

Committee Members:

1. G. C. Duff, University of Arizona, Chair
2. P. A. Ludden, University of Wyoming
3. J. G. P. Bowman, Montana State University
4. C. J. Mueller, Oregon State University
5. R. Mark Enns, Colorado State University
6. J. R. Carpenter, University of Hawaii
7. A. J. Roberts, USDA-ARS, Miles City
8. J. K. Ahola, University of Idaho
9. J. B. Taylor, USDA-ARS-USSES, Dubois, ID
10. B. J. May, Angelo State University
11. M. P. Shipka, U. Alaska
12. J. E. Bruemmer, CSU

The only item brought before the Advising and Coordinating Committee was to consider changing the bylaws to add the Graduate Student Representatives to the Executive board. Members that responded were in favor of the consideration. The Committee recommended that actions be implemented to allow changing of the by-laws next year so that The Graduate Student Representatives could serve on the Executive Committee, similar to ASAS and some other sections. The chair requested input from the committee on any additional items and none were brought forth.

Report from the ASAS President.

Jim Oltjen, ASAS President

Meghan Wulster-Radcliffe, ASAS Executive Director

Dr. Oltjen, ASAS President, and Dr. Meghan Wulster-Radcliffe, ASAS Executive Director, summarized progress on the 5 Year Strategic Plan and reported on activities and plans of the American Society of Animal Science at the national level. Some items discussed included: 5% increase in membership over last 4 years; over 5000 individual memberships, of which 17 % are from outside the US; and a large increase in graduate student memberships. Items associated with the Journal of Animal Science included: currently has the highest impact factor ever; a decrease of 30 days for time of submission to publication; ½ of submissions being from outside the US; a decrease of 10%/yr for institutional subscriptions, yet the Journal is making money. Efforts to improve services and thereby increase membership included providing numerous webinars, development of new ways to recognize extension and teaching, looking into establishing bundled memberships and expanding international opportunities. President Oltjen reminded everyone of future Joint Annual Meetings in New Orleans (2011), Phoenix (2012), and Indianapolis (2013).

Transfer of the Gavel.

Gary Moss transferred the WSASAS Presidency to Denny Crews and Past-President Gary Moss was presented with the Presidential plaque.

The 2010 Western Section Business Meeting was adjourned by President Crews at 9 AM.

APPENDIX

WSASAS Detailed Financial Report: December 31, 2009.

Andy Roberts, Secretary-Treasurer

	Actual @
	12/31/09
Balance as of January 1	\$55,896.83
Revenue and Support	
Dues-ASAS	3,390.10
Registrations	31,210.00
Donations-Awards	4,250.00
Donations-General	250.00
Donations-Symposium	8,245.00
Symposium Support-ASAS	3,000.00
Proceedings	11,420.85
Miscellaneous	
Investment Earnings Gain(Loss)	5,257.12
Total Revenue and Support	67,023.07
Expenses	
Programs/ Registration	236.11
Awards/Plaques	6,352.00
Quadrathalon	3,600.00
Convention Center	32,115.36
Travel-Speaker	1,266.85
Travel-Staff	1,523.88
Proceedings	2,034.71
Postage, Shipping & Supplies	200.02
Writer's Workshop	1,425.99
Symposium	2,277.13
Miscellaneous	5,839.20
Insurance	212.17
Telephone	96.86
General Printing	42.24
Staff Support	10,577.40
Total Expenses	67,799.92
Net Revenue over Expense	(776.85)
Balance as of December 31	\$55,119.98