

American Pomological Society

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ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING AND AWARDS PRESENTATION

New Orleans, Louisiana
6:00-7:30 pm July 29, 2006

Minutes

Old Business:

1. **Comments from the president: Welcome, Acknowledgments, and Workshop Arrangements.** Meeting was called to order at 6:19 pm by the President Kim Hummer. Kim welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Report by Standing Committee Chairs, Award Ceremony.**
 - a. **Secretary's Report.** Kirk Pomper submitted the minutes for the Annual Business Meeting and record book of those attending the annual business meeting since 1958 was passed around for those attending the 2006 meeting to sign in. The minutes were reviewed, Ed Stover made a motion that the minutes be accepted, and the minutes were accepted unanimously by the members attending the meeting.
 - b. **Business Manager and Treasurer's Report.** Rob Crassweller distributed a report that showed a positive cash flow in 2005, where overall income exceeded expenses by \$5,503. The most important changes this year that resulted in this positive cash flow were a reduction in printing costs by switching to a new printer, decreased postage due to fewer journals being mailed, and increased success in collecting page charges. Rob said that allowing individuals to pay for page charges with a credit card speeded up payments. Rob said that APS had a total of 478 member/subscribers; this was up 8 from last year. Des asked for an explanation of charges. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report by Des Layne, seconded from the floor. The minutes were approved unanimously. Rob was applauded for his efforts.
 - c. **Editorial Committee and Editor's Comments.** Wes Autio thanked John Barden for his work as editor. They are negotiating to hire a new editor. John gave his Editor's comments. He said the number of manuscripts received was sufficient to publish at a stable rate. John thanked all those who reviewed papers and asked for any questions. John and Wes were applauded for their efforts.
 - d. **Fruit and Nut Cultivar List.** John Clark stated that list 43 of the Fruit and Nut Cultivar list will be published by ASHS in the August issue of HortScience.
 - e. **U.P. Hendrick Award Presentation.** Essie Fallahi reported that there were two nominations for the award this year. First place and \$300 went to "Total Phenolics and Antioxidant Properties of Cider Apple Cultivars", by Saleh Mobarak and Cecil Stushnoff. Second place and \$150 went to "Black Chokeberry (*Aronia Melanocarpa* Michx) A Semi-Edible Fruit with No Pests", by Robert Scott and Robert M. Skirvin. Essie encouraged everyone to tell their graduate students

about this opportunity. Emails concerning the award will be sent out early next year in an effort to recruit papers.

- f. **Shepard Award Presentation.** Kim Hummer reported that the winners of the 2005 Shepard Award were: Crassweller, R., McNew, R., Azarenko, A., Barritt, B., Belding, R., Berkett, L., Brown, S., Clements, J., Cline, J., Cowgill, W., Ferree, D., Garcia, E., Greene, D., Greene, G., Hampson, C., Merwin, I., Miller, D., Miller, S. Moran, R., Obermiller, Rosenberger, D., Rom, C., Roper, T., Schupp, J. and Stover, for their paper entitled: "Performance of apple cultivars in the 1995 NE-regional project planting: I. Growth and yield characteristics" in the Journal of the American Pomological Society 59:18-27.
- g. **Wilder Medal Awards Presentation.** Doug Archbold presented the 2006 award to Dr. David Ferree of The Ohio State University. Doug shared a biographical sketch and award write-up that will appear in an upcoming issue of the J. Amer. Pom. Sci. Dr. Ferree accepted the award and thanked APS for it. Members of the committee included K. Pomper, L. Cheng, E. Fallahi, D. Percival, D. Archbold, M. Pritts, and P. Hirst.
- h. **Nomination and Election.** (this old business item was held until after the first new business item was considered)

New Business:

- 3. **Nomination and Election.** Essie Fallahi, chair of the Nomination Committee, proposed the following slate of candidates:

Executive Board

- 1. President: Ed Stover (USDA-Davis, CA)
- 2. 1st Vice President: Des Layne (Clemson Univ., SC)
- 3. 2nd Vice President: Terrence Robinson
- 4. Treasurer: Rob Crassweller (Penn State Univ., PA)
- 5. Secretary: Kirk Pomper (Kentucky State Univ., KY)
- 6. Brent Black ('05-'07)
- 7. Lailiang Cheng ('05-'08)
- 8. Bob Ebel ('07-'09)

Advisory Committee

2005 - 2007

Wes Autio

Patrick Conner

David Himelrick

Jim McFerson

Greg Reighard

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Kent Kobayashi

Elena Garcia

Michael Glenn
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Nahla Bassil
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Steve McArtney
Penny Perkins-Veazie

A motion was made by Curt Rom to accept the slate of candidates and David Hunter seconded the motion. The motion to accept the slate of candidates was accepted unanimously by the members attending the meeting.

4. **Establishment of honoraria for Bus. Mgr/Treasurer and Editor.** Kim asked Kirk to review the minutes from the board meeting. Kirk reported the motion from the Board meeting: "It was suggested that the editor of the Journal of APS receive a \$2000 honorarium, the treasurer receive a \$900 honorarium and the secretary receive \$200. Brent Black moved that honoraria of \$2000 for the editor, \$900 for the treasurer, and \$200 for the secretary be accepted by the Board. Ed seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. Brent then moved that \$1250 for travel to the APS meeting be added to the editor's and treasure's honorarium, respectively. All voted in favor of this motion."
5. **Appointment of Agent for APS.** A motion was put forth on the floor by Curt Rom for Wes Autio to serve as the APS Resident Agent in Massachusetts. The motion was seconded from the floor and was accepted unanimously by the members attending the meeting.
6. **Workshop and Business Meeting Speakers for Scottsdale 2007.** Des Layne reported that he had already begun the process of examining topics for the APS Workshop and Business meeting next year. Des solicited ideas from those attending the meeting. Topics suggested for the workshop included processed products, citrus, frost control, heat tolerance, and breeding low chill plants. A cherry tasting was also suggested. An APS golf outing in Scottsdale was suggested.
7. **Additional New Business from the APS Members.** Ed thanked Des for organizing a fine workshop and thanked Kim and David Himelrick for bringing the fruit.
8. **Handing-over of the gavel and block.** Kim Hummer then handed the gavel over to Ed. Kim introduced a block for the gavel. Kim was awarded with a glass apple for her efforts as APS President.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirk W. Pomper
Secretary, American Pomological Society.
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