

**Report on the Summer ESA Governing Board Meeting
Lanham, MD, June 14 – June 17, 2005**

Numerous items and issues were discussed during the two and half day meeting. The following highlights are presented.

Motions: Three motions were approved via cyberspace since the winter governing board meeting in Cincinnati, OH. Motion 1 approved the nomination and appointment of Dr. Joe Keiper as Editor-in Chief of the Annals of the Entomological Society of America. Motion 2 approved the nomination and appointment of Dr. David Kerns as Editor-in Chief of Arthropod Management Tests. Motion 3 accepted and approved the minutes of the 2003 Winter Governing Board Meeting.

Membership: Membership to date is 4,908 members which is 84% of the number budgeted for 2004. This includes 3,382 regular members and 1,302 student members which are the two largest categories. Eastern branch membership to date is 996. This is down from the total for 2003 (1108), however, many members renew just prior to the national meeting. So far this year, we have 199 new regular members in the society and 188 new student members.

New Member Applications: As is required by the ESA by-laws, the governing board approved the application requests made by all new regular, student, youth and sustaining members since the last formal new member acceptance motion was made.

Emeritus Status: The board approved the request for 35 new emeritus members.

Membership Dues: The board approved a motion to raise all membership dues by 1.7% across the board for all categories except BCE and Sustaining Associate dues.

Associate Certified Entomologist Program: This program is up and running and was introduced at the National Pest Management Association's annual meeting. The program is part of the BCE program and is intended to attract people performing PCO services.

2003 National Meeting Attendance: Attendance at the Cincinnati meeting was 2,215 which is down slightly from 2003 (2,383). The bulk of those attending were regular members (1,135) followed by students (538).

Branch Meeting Attendance: Attendance at the New Haven meeting was 180 (116 paid) which is down from 2003 (185 paid, 246 total). Based on this, the Program Enhancement funds distributed to the branch in 2004 was \$2,359.

2004 National Meeting: This meeting will be held in Salt Lake City in November. The meeting registration packet is currently on-line. Student awards will be combined with the Linnaean Games and Student Reception on Tuesday Evening. The closing session (i.e. business meeting) will feature an all-star Linnaean Games. So far, there will be 57 symposia, 276 paper/poster submissions and 69 other submissions.

Recording of Scientific Sessions during the Annual Meeting: The board approved a motion to hire a company charged with recording and compiling presentation made at the annual meeting in Salt Lake City. Speakers will be given the option to have their presentations recorded. If they agree, a linked audio-PPT file will be generated and made available via the web following the meeting. There will be a charge for viewing the talks on-line, however, the fee schedule details are still being determined. It is likely that paid attendance will allow access free of charge.

ESA Journals: The year to date member, non-member, institutional agents and gratis subscriptions total 4,054 which is up from in 2003 (3,732). The Journal of Economic Entomology (JEE) (1,331) and Environmental Entomology (EE) (1,053) have the highest subscriptions followed by Annuals of Entomology (971) and the Journal of Medical Entomology (JME) (699). JEE continues to publish the highest number of pages followed by EE, JME and Annuals.

Journal Subscription Charges: The board approved a 3% increase in journal subscription fees with the exception of institutional and non-member Journal Economic Entomology (JEE) subscriptions (6% increase) and institutional Arthropod Management Tests (AMT) subscriptions (10% increase). These larger increases for JEE and AMT per page charges will bring them more in line with our other journals.

ESA Handbooks: The board approved the American Phytopathological Society (APS) proposal to print, market and sell three new handbooks: Handbook of Forage and Rangeland Insects, Handbook of Small Grain Insects and Utilization and Management of Insecticides, Acaricides and Transgenic Crops. The board approved the APS proposal to warehouse, market and sell three of our current handbooks: Handbook of Turfgrass Insect Pests, Handbook of Soybean Insect Pests and Handbook of Corn Insects. ESA is still looking for a vendor willing to warehouse, market and sell Handbook of Household and Structural Pests and for a vendor to print, market and sell the Handbook of Companion Animal Ectoparasites. The board also authorized Rick Brandenburg, editor of Handbook of Turfgrass Insect Pests to produce a 2nd edition.

2012 International Congress of Entomology (ICE): The board discussed the possibility of hosting the 2012 ICE in the United States. Several options were discussed and it was agreed that those board members attending the ICE in Australia this year should discuss the matter with representatives from the two countries bidding for the 2008 meeting (South Korea and Switzerland) and with ICE representatives present at the meeting.

Headquarters: No changes have occurred to the headquarters' staff. Following the sale of the building, the national office has been moved to: 10001 Derekwood Lane, Suite 100 Lanham, MD 20706-4876 (phone: 301-731-4535, fax: 301-731 4538).

Respectfully submitted,

George C. Hamilton
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