Minutes for Preliminary business meeting

President Jeff Scott called the meeting to order at 2:15 PM 11/14/11

Minutes for the previous meeting were formally approved. Moved by Jeff Scott, seconded by Reddy Palli

Jeff Scott introduced current officers for the section and award winners from the PBT section this year.

Jeff Scott also summarized his initiative to post a newsletter for the section and called attention to the duties of PBT officers that are now posted on the ESA website

Jeff Scott made a call for symposia suggestions for the upcoming meeting. No one indicated a suggestion during the meeting but symposia suggestions will hopefully be forthcoming.

Our representative to the ESA governing board summarized thinking by the leadership of the society for the upcoming year. Key issues include:

1. Developing webinars for training in different aspects of entomology
2. Engaging ESA in developing public policy positions
3. ESA will lead a bid for the 2016 Intl. Congress of Entomology to be held in USA (Orlando, FL). ESA is also committing $40k for travel support for students or other applicants to attend the 2012 ICE mtg. in Korea.
4. ESA wants to increase international membership to >1000
5. Costs for the upcoming natl. meeting in Knoxville, TN will be higher than the Reno mtg.
6. ESA wants to hear from membership regarding perks at the current meeting including: do people like new cell phone app, wifi availability at meeting site, virtual poster initiative?
7. ESA plans to hire a permanent meeting organizer person
8. Dues and journal subscriptions will be increasing

Treasurer report by Catherine Loudon

PBT had a total of $15,000 at beginning of year, spending on speakers and other items for this year’s ESA meeting reduces the carryover budget to $7704. Are likely to see about $4000 in new funds for the upcoming year which would make funds available for FY 12 of about $12,000.
Committee Assignment Vacancies and Nominations

VP elect: Qisheng Song nominated by Vince Henrich, seconded by Reddy Palli

IPM rep: Melanie Keenan nominated Jeff Scott and seconded by Mike Strand

Membership Committee: Yoonseong Park nominated by Reddy Palli, seconded by Jeff Scott

Student Affairs: No nominee currently

Education and Outreach: Denise Donovon agrees to continue serving in this role. Scott nominates, Allen seconds

Thomas Say committee: Stefan Jaronski, Scott nominates, Strand seconds

Other Business-None

Meeting adjourns at 2:50 PM

Notes taken by Michael Strand

**Final Business meeting minutes**

Jeff Scott called meeting to order

Motion to approve nominations was approved by the membership

Jeff Scott thanked current officers and invited new president Reddy palli to take over.

Reddy Palli thanked Jeff Scott for his service to the PBT section during past year. He also thanked all the people who volunteered at the current annual meeting.

A motion was proposed and approved by the membership to support attendance of one or two post-doctoral fellows at International congress of Entomology.

A motion was proposed and approved by the membership to support Melody Keena for ESA VP elect position in the future.

The meeting was adjourned.

Notes taken by Jeff Stuart.