



WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY OF NORTH CAROLINA

Proceedings of the 23rd Annual Meeting of the Weed Science Society of North Carolina
March 10, 2005

“Reaching Back and Looking Forward”

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Opening Remarks – Mike Burton, President, WSSNC

Guest Speakers

1. *Fumigation Technology and Methyl Bromide Alternatives*
Victor Lilley, Reddick Fumigants
2. *New Developments in Invasive Species Mapping Techniques*
Beau Long, UAP Timberland, LLC
3. *Panel Discussion: Emerging Issues in Agronomic Crops, Ornamentals, Turf, and Vegetables*
Drs. Alan York, Fred Yelverton, David Monks, Joe Neal

Student Presentations

4. *Distribution of Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus (TSWV) in Relation to Wild Weedy Hosts and Susceptible Crops Over a Large Agricultural Landscape*
Robyn Stout, NCSU
5. *Site-Specific Weed Management with a Weed-Sensing Sprayer*
Ian Burke, NCSU
6. *Growth Analysis of Direct-Seeded Commercial Beneficial Insect Habitats*
Mary Richards-Kroner, NCSU

Business Meeting

Tom McKemie, Secretary-Treasurer

Mike Burton called the Business meeting to order at 1:50 pm on March 10, 2005. The meeting was held at the J.C. Raulston Arboretum on Beryl Drive in Raleigh. President

Burton welcomed and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. President Burton began by announcing the following committee reports:

Committee Reports

Tom McKemie started with the reading of the 2004 meeting minutes. The minutes were passed around while Tom read them out loud. Tom continued with the financial report. The report was projected from a computer for all members to see. Both the minutes and the financial report were voted on and passed. Please see financial report and budget breakdown by years at www.wssnc.ncsu.edu.

Sue Rick continued with an update on the WSSNC Dean Whitter fund and indicated that our fund manager recommended that we should remain where we are.

Financial Committee Report 3/05

Investment fund history:

Mar '00 \$30,330

Mar '01 \$32,195

Mar '02 \$30,781

Mar '03 \$26,520

Mar '04 \$35,680

Mar '05 \$38,595

Legislative Report

Tom Hunt was not present. Tom McKemie gave the Legislative report leading with the number one hot issue: Laws to prevent biotech crops from being planted in several states in the United States. Vermont is leading the way trying to pass legislation to have individual state rights to prevent biotech crops from being grown. Several counties in California have already passed measures to ban biotech crops, but have not made them law yet. The CPANC is pressing ahead with supporting a North Carolina law that prohibits individual counties from passing their own laws regarding biotech plants.

Tom also read a part of Glenn Jernigan's letter to the Society listing the challenges ahead for the NC Legislature. The remarks were accepted by the general membership.

Website Report

Mike Burton gave out the website address: www.wssnc.ncsu.edu and the new password to access the members list is WEEDSCINC.

Awards Report

Leon Warren presented Tom McKemie with the WSSNC Distinguished Service Award for 2005.

Student Awards and Announcements

Katie Jennings made the following announcements:

2004 NC Crop Protection School

Ian Burke, 2nd place paper

Andrew Gardner, 3rd place paper

2005 Beltwide

Andrew Gardner, 1st place paper, M.S.

Whitnee Barker, 2nd place paper (tie), Ph.D.

Walter Thomas, 2nd place paper (tie), Ph.D.

2005 SWSS

Whitnee Barker, Outstanding M.S. Student

Ian Burke, Outstanding Ph.D. Student

Andrew Gardner, 1st place poster

Ian Burke, 1st place paper

2004 NEWSS Weed Contest

1st place team - Ian Burke, Wesley Everman,
Whitnee Barker
3rd place individual - Ian Burke
1st place in calibration calcs - Walter Thomas
4th place individual - Wesley Everman
5th place individual - Ian Burke

WSSNC Graduate Student Winners

Poster Contest:

Ian Burke, Ph.D.
Andrew Gardner, M.S.

Outstanding Students:

Ian Burke, Ph.D.
Juliana Buckelew, M.S.

Newly Elected Board Members for 2005

Vice-President.....	Dr. Reid Evans
Secretary-Treasurer.....	Dr. Loren Fisher
Director-at-Large.....	Dr. Paul Garvey
Student Representative.....	Wesley Everman

Old Business:

Constitution amendments were brought forward to the general membership regarding changing the membership dues to \$15/year. Additional charges for meeting expenses are in addition to dues. Students will also pay \$15 for membership.

Joe Neal suggested we contact the SE Exotic Plant Council to see if a joint meeting can be arranged. They will be having their meeting in Raleigh in 2006.

Business meeting was adjourned for the ACC tournament.

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Adjournment