

NC1173
Notes on annual meeting
January 10, 2014
San Antonio, TX

In attendance: Reed Johnson, Brian Eitzer, Maryann Frasier, Greg Hunt, Steve Pernal, David Tarpy, Keith Delaplaine, Michael Wilson, John Skinner, Marc Linit, Zachary Huang, John Burand, Tom Seeley, Jennifer Tsuruda, Tom Webster, Juliana Rangel, Diana Cox-Foster

Call to order: Reed Johnson, Chair

Introductions around the room.

Reed gave a review of the project renewal, and he was thanked by the group. Marc reminded that we needed to submit a report of our meeting within 60 days, so we need to collect information about the activity and, more importantly, impacts of the project goals for the just-finishing project. We might wish to go to the NIMSS system to pull NC 1173 reports by project members to glean fodder for this.

Reed mentioned that if you wish to join the NC 1173, you will need to ask to ask your administrators to request it. Marc passed around a list of renewing members so that people can see if they need to take action. Several did not find themselves on the list and will therefore need to take action.

David Tarpy motioned to meet with the ABRC wherever the AAPA decides to meet. Seconded by Brian Eitzer. Motion passed unanimously, no abstentions. Email Marc the dates for his record. Thus we agreed to meet again during the ABRC/AIA conference in 2015, location TBD.

Marc Linit provided an update of the progress of the project renewal. There is a committee in the NC group that reviews all multi-state proposals, where it will be reviewed and critiqued. They will likely meet in March, at which point we will likely need to amend accordingly before final approval.

Reed opened the floor for nominations for a new Chair. Juliana moved for David Tarpy. Greg seconded. Motion passed unanimously, no abstentions.

Reed opened the floor for nominations for a new Vice Chair. Zach moved for Juliana Rangel. Greg seconded. Motion passed unanimously, no abstentions.

David Tarpy just reminded everyone that, if anyone has any collaborations with anyone else in the group, we need to capture any and all activity so that it can be reported. This should also include the ABRC Symposium as activity and progress.

Maryann postulated having a possible working group on RNAi, or perhaps write a white paper on overall bee health. David offered to hear any discussion for potential tangible projects to work on that would fall under the NC 1173 umbrella.

Marc added that Congress is finalizing the NIFA budget, and feedback is positive for research and extension. That may bode well for future funding.

Motion to adjourn by John Skinner, seconded by Brian Eitzer.

Steve Pernal	Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
David Tarpay	NC State University
John Skinner	University of Tennessee
Keith Delaplane	University of Georgia
John Burand	University of Massachusetts
Brian Eitzer	CT Agricultural Experiment Station
Michael Wilson	University of Tennessee
Zachary Huang	Michigan State University
Greg Hunt	Purdue University
Marc Linit	University of Missouri
Tom Webster	Kentucky State University