

NCCC-167 (Corn Breeding) Business Meeting Minutes

The meeting was held on March 15, 2012, Ambrose Events Center, Portland, Oregon.

In attendance were: Paul Scott (Secretary), Shawn Kaeppler, Nathan Springer, Liz Lee, Jode Edwards (Chair), Wenwei Xu, Candy Gardner, Bill Tracy (Administrative Advisor), Sherry Flint-Garcia

The Meeting was called to order at 12:38 PM by chair Jode Edwards

Old Business:

Minutes of the 2011 meeting were approved as submitted

Financial report (Jode Edwards on behalf of Treasurer Marcello Carena):

(Attached)

Motion (Sherry Flint Garcia) to have cash award for best presentation by a student

Second (Liz Lee).

Discussion:

Should it be cash award?

Last year all voted and we had a winner, but no cash was awarded.

Motion carries

Motion (Liz Lee): Best presentation by a student award shall consist of one award of \$250 or previously awarded amount.

Second (Shawn Kaeppler)

Discussion: Should get a sponsor for the award.

Amended: Best presentation by a student award shall consist of one award of \$250

Bill Tracy: Can we legally make a cash award?

We may need to modify voting process to ensure unbiased evaluation.

Motion carries

Motion (Shawn Kaeppler) The winner of the best presentation by a student award will be decided by a committee of three unbiased members appointed by the chair:

Second (Liz Lee)

Motion carries

New Business:

Election of officers:

Treasurer: Marcelo was elected to a three year term in 2011 so a new treasurer should be elected in 2014

Chair: Torbert Rocheford has volunteered to organize and plan meeting next year.

Torbert Rocheford was nominated and elected to serve as chair for 2013.

Secretary: Paul Scott was elected to a two year term in 2011 so a new secretary should be elected in 2013

Motion (Liz Lee) We should nominate Ed Coe for plant breeding impact award for development of Stock 6 for DH induction.

Second (Sherry Flint-Garcia)

Discussion: Bill Tracy will lead the effort.

Motion carries

General Discussion:

Meeting planning:

Jode Edwards: Deadlines are good - helped a great deal with planning. Were procedures and deadlines OK? Generally yes.

We should coordinate our meeting planning with MGC chair.

No MGC reps showed up this year. We need to be sure to invite them.

Wenwei Xu: We could have a speaker cover a corn breeding subject in depth.

Themed workshops might attract some additional people.

Wenwei Xu: Grad students could organize the workshop and identify topic.

We could meet with another meeting when MGC is out of Midwest. NAPB is one possibility.

Illinois corn breeders school is another possibility.

ICBS location is inconvenient for some.

Company reps will be at ICBS and probably nowhere else.

Nathan Springer: We could put a meeting report in Maydica. Have graduate students write something.

Corn Breeding Executive Committee. We need to review the minutes for this discussion.

This group needs a chair and needs some support for surveys

MaizeGDB may be able to help with this.

Nathan and Bill will check with MaizeGDB folks to see if we can get survey support.

Bill Tracy: recommends outgoing chair submits annual report.

Motion: We adjourn (Shawn Kaeppler)

Second (Sherry Flint-Garcia)

Motion carries

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Scott

Secretary, NCCC-167