

**NCB Final Executive Committee Meeting
St. Louis, MO
18 March 2009**

Executive Committee: John Obrycki, Matt O’Neal, Dave Ragsdale, Shripat Kamble, Steve Yaninek, Rick Foster

Committee Chairs, Co-Chairs, Designees: Bruce Barrett, Tom Coudron, David Coyle,

Agenda:

1. Call to Order. 12:00 John Obrycki
2. Report of Program Committee
 - a. Written Report given by Tom Coudron
 - b. Suggestion for upcoming meetings, is to have “invited” symposia identified by early Summer, with a promise of \$1,000 per symposia and an expectation of bringing in an outside speaker (region or discipline). This would allow us to market the meeting in 2010 in July 2009 on the website and through email to members.
 - c. To encourage undergraduate to attend several ideas were discussed
 - i. Nurse bee travel scholarships – dedicated to Biology programs at non-land grant colleges. To get an advisor and student to attend.
 - ii. Very little in programming to enhance undergrad experience.
 - iii. Charge the student rep on the Exec. Committee to help us define this objective and goal. Need to get a student (undergrad and grad) perspective on what might attract a student to come here during spring break.
3. Fund Raising
 - a. Have an internship opportunity in industry. Suggestion, an internship luncheon and have industry reps recruit and demonstrate their opportunities. CSA and others are looking for interns as well, but unclear how to contact and notify these smaller organizations looking for interns.
 - b. Past President, Current President, President-Elect will be the donations committee and have that responsibility to raise those funds from sponsors.
4. Report from Local Arrangements –
 - a. **Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) – Chair**, Bruce Barrett 270 paid participants. 226 pre-register, 44 on site registration.
 - i. **Updated Registration numbers provided by Bruce Barrett**

NCB 2009 Final Registration	
Members	146
Students (76 Grads, 112 undergrads)	99
Emeriti	5
Non-members	8
One-Day	16
Guest	10
TOTAL	287

- ii. Close to \$9,000 came in with on-site registration.
 - iii. Feedback on Monsanto tour
 - 1. Monsanto was thrilled
 - 2. Students polled were thought it was good
 - 3. 35 attended.
- 5. Other Old Business
 - a. Endorsement: Grayson Brown's nomination for vice-President Elect for ESA was supported by the membership
 - b. Foundation Fund Raising – endorsed by membership to
 - c. Students – can do a 2 or 3 year term
 - d. Combined budget process for meeting will keep us in good standing with IRS as a non-profit organization.
 - e. Website will remain at Purdue University until it migrates to ESA server in the near future
 - f. Co-program chair will be considered for the Louisville, KY meeting.
 - g. Goal will be to use the ESA Central software system for registering titles for the branch meeting. But implementation will likely be after the Louisville, KY meeting.
 - h. Linnaean Games Committee
 - i. Susan Weller has a series of recommendations on how to rotate Judges, Moderator, to get a bit more institutional memory.
 - ii. Reminders will be sent to committee to solicit questions for use.
 - i. Ric Bessin and Rick Weinzierl – ad hoc committee to how to use our reserves, how much in reserve we need.
- 6. Meeting Adjourned at 1:10 pm