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**APS PACIFIC DIVISION
Business Meeting
Tuesday, June 24, 2003
Kona Beach Hotel, Eha Room
Kailua-Kona, HI**

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Minutes

- I. Pacific Division President Jim Adaskaveg called the business meeting to order at 3:50 PM. He thanked participants for a successful meeting and especially speakers for staying on time.
- II. Old Business:
 1. Pete Bristow read the minutes of the 2002 business meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes as read. The motion was seconded and carried.
 2. Pete Bristow presented the treasurer's report for 2002. The mid-year report for 2003 was also presented. A motion was made and seconded to accept both reports as read. The motion carried.
- III. New business:
 1. Election results. 158 members cast ballots in the election; all but 7 were submitted electronically. Mary Olson was elected President-Elect and she will serve as the chair for the 2004 annual meeting. Gary Grove was selected to become Pacific Division Councilor. He will assume those duties at the end of the APS annual meeting. Thanks to Mark Mazzola and Frank Laemmlen for being candidates.
 2. Membership. As of March 2003 there were 526 members in the Division, down from 566 a year ago. We are still the largest Division in the Society. Our goal is to increase membership from the industry sector. Efforts to increase student membership and participation are paying off. At this meeting 10 abstracts were submitted in the student paper competition and 15 students attended the meeting. Dues for student member is a bargain at \$1. The recently instituted student travel awards (five are available) are also helping but only two students applied this year. . There is still interest in forming a membership committee that was approved at the 2002 meeting.
 3. The following members completed service on PD committees: Peggy Mauk (Lifetime Achievement Award), Gary Franc and Suzanne Rooney (Student Travel Award), and Barry Jacobsen (Early Career Award).
 4. Website/Newsletter. The website needs to be updated. The newsletter and PD website will be moved to APSNet on an experimental basis for one year. Material will be submitted and APS will post it. There will be a fee for this service. A committee was formed to make the transition (Heather Scheck Jim Adaskaveg). Carolee Bull (who is on the APS Office of electronic communication committee) volunteered to serve on this committee. Anyone interested in becoming the PD newsletter person and/or webmaster should contact Heather Scheck. Jacque

Fletcher stated that APS encourages divisions to use APSNet for their websites. Once our website is up and running on APSNet, the annual cost may equal current printing and postage expenses.

5. APS President's message. Dr. Jacque Fletcher thanked the division for the invitation to attend and participate in the meeting. She stated that she was especially impressed with the emphasis placed on graduate students. APS is a healthy society but faces fiscal challenges. Return on investments is down. The membership is getting older and the younger members will be running APS 10 years from now. Carolee Bull heads the Young Professional Committee. The new election software is working well and has streamlined the voting process for members. Governance continues to be an issue and member input is obtained via surveys that are sent to a subset of the membership (not everyone will be receive every survey). APS has developed a financial strategic plan that includes: 1) joint publishing ventures, 2) new products, 3) attracting new customers, and 4) having all of the posters from the annual meeting on a CD. Plant Health Network continues to expand with new partners. At the Federal level, APS is actively involved in biosecurity and emerging pathogens issues.
6. Councilor's report. Mike Matheron reported that the division councilor attends two council meetings per year: 1) the mid-winter meeting at the APS office in St. Paul and 2) the meeting held during the APS annual meeting. Strategic planning within APS is an ongoing process that is amended as needed. Divisions are requested to develop mission statements and strategic plans for working toward identified goals. Another responsibility of the division councilor is the DeBary Bowl team. Mike thanked the division for the opportunity to serve as its councilor. He stated that the experience was very rewarding and he encourages members to consider running for that position.
7. Awards were presented at the business meeting because the luau was a public event. The 2003 award winners are:
 - a) Lifetime Achievement Award
Dr. Michael Stanghellini, Univ. of California-Riverside
 - b) Early Career Award was not presented this year
 - c) Student Paper Competition – each student received an engraved plaque and a check.
 - 1st Wendy Kaneshiro, Univ. of Hawaii (\$200)
 - 2nd(tie) Jennifer Falacy, Washington State University (\$150)
 - 2nd(tie) Eden Perez, (\$150)
 - 3rd(tie) Rufina Hernandez-Martinez, (\$100)
 - 3rd(tie) Philippe Rolshausen, UC-Davis (\$100)
 - d) Student Travel Awards (\$200 per award)
Mingyuan Cheng, Univ. of Alaska
Carrieann Nielsen, UC-Riverside
 - e) The Early Career Award was not present this year.
8. Recognition

- i. Mike Matheron was presented a plaque in appreciation for 3 years service as our Councilor.
- ii. Ellen Bentley was presented a plaque for her term as newsletter editor.
- iii. Janice Uchida and Steve Ferreira were thanked for co-chairing the local arrangements committee for this meeting.

9. APS Foundation “two for one” membership campaign.

Members voted to support the campaign for two more years with a pledge of \$300 per year.

10. Retirements and Deaths.

a) Retirements Geral McDonald, US Forest Service, Moscow, ID
Mary Powelson, Oregon State University
Dallice Mills, Oregon State University

b) Deaths Harry Finch, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, (May 8)
David Gumpf, UC-Riverside (Feb.6)
George Zentmyer, UC-Riverside (Feb. 8)
William “Bill” Brown, Colorado State University (Jan. 27)
George Bridgman, Univ. of Wyoming (June 1)

b. Future meetings

- i. 2004 – Anaheim, CA with the parent society
- ii. 2005 – Based on rotation this meeting should be in the Pacific Northwest. Dick Smiley had previously suggested Portland, OR. President to check with Dr. Smiley on this offer.
- iii. 2006 – Open. APS meets in Quebec City. Couer d’Alene, ID was mentioned as a potential site; PD last met there in June 1987.
- iv. 2007 – San Diego with APS
- v. 2008 - ??? (Judy Brown suggested having a joint meeting with the Caribbean Division). The national APS meeting will be in Minneapolis in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the society.

11. Change of leadership. Jim Adaskaveg installed Heather Scheck as President of the Division. Before turning the meeting over to the new President, Jim thanked the officers, committee members and members who supported Division activities during the past year. Heather presented Jim Adaskaveg with a plaque in recognition for his term as President and his years of service to the division.

12. Other. Heather Scheck thanked industry for their support of the meeting and all the members who contributed to the success of the meeting. She also reminded those going on the field trip to assemble at the meeting room at 7:30 AM tomorrow morning.

IV. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 PM and the members, families and friends headed to the outdoor Hawaiian luau feast.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter R. Bristow, Secretary/Treasurer