American Society of Agronomy Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes
June 29, 2015, 11:00am Central

The meeting was called to order by ASA President Jean Steiner.

**Board Members Present:**
Jean Steiner, ASA President
David Mengel, ASA Past President
Paul Fixen, ASA President-Elect
Dave Clay, Finance Board Rep.
Drew Lyon, Ag. Production Systems Section
Kathleen Yeater, Biometry & Stats Computing Section
John Holman, Education & Extension Section
Mark David, Environmental Quality Section
Shaun Casteel, Early Career Board Rep.
Jessica Davis, Global Agronomy Section
Frederick Vocasek, ICCA Registrants Board Rep.

**Not able to attend:**
Steve Evett, Climatology & Modeling Section
Timothy Reinbott, Land Mgmnt & Conservation Section
Beth Guertal, ASA Editor-in-Chief, ex-officio

**Also Participating:**
Susan Chapman, Director of Member Services
Bill Cook, Director of Publications
Cassie McKay, Meetings Manager
Sara Uttech, Senior Mgr – Governance & Membership

A003 Board of Directors
1. ACTION: Motion by Don Blackburn to approve the June 29, 2015 Agenda. Seconded by Jessica Davis. Unanimous approval.
2. ACTION: Motion by Fred Vocasek to approve the May 18-19, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes as amended. Seconded by Don Blackburn. Unanimous approval.
3. Summer Board Calls (June, July, and August) will be held the last Monday of the month at 11:00am Central.
4. The ASA Board Meeting at the Annual Meeting in Minneapolis will be Thursday, Nov. 19, 7:00-9:00am.

A441 Fellows Committee
1. ACTION: Motion by Dave Mengel to approve the 16 ASA Fellow recipients for 2015. Shaun Casteel seconded. Unanimous approval.
2. Dave Mengel initiated a discussion on ASA Fellows. TASK: The ASA Fellows Committee was tasked with drafting a new scorecard to emphasize service to ASA and bringing it to the board for approval. There was also discussion on how to increase female nominations. TASK: Jean Steiner will look at the ASA Fellows list and encourage colleagues to initiate nominations in the future.

ACS321.1 Society Publications Journal Task Force
Bill Cook provided an update on the page charge discussions, presenting a document that was composed by the ASA, CSSA, and SSSA Editors-in-Chief.

A201 Organization, Policy & Bylaws Committee
TASK: The Organization, Policy, and Bylaws Committee was tasked with considering the idea of a Grad Student Member of the ASA Board and to make a recommendation to the board on a future call.

A733 Agronomy Conference Meetings
The ASA Specialty Conferences proposal form is posted on the meetings website and will be promoted to encourage members to submit ideas for smaller, specialized conferences sponsored by ASA.

ACS237 Membership and Society Identity Committee
Susan Chapman presented an update on the membership ranking. The ACSESS Dues Task Force will look at these numbers further and report back to the board with recommendations.
The final ASA Science Frontiers document is posted and Jean Steiner reported that it was well-received during the agency visits in Washington DC.

Consensus to adjourn.