American Society of Agronomy Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes  
Thursday, April 20, 2017 1:00pm Central

The meeting was called to order by ASA President Jessica Davis.

**Board Members Present:**
- Jessica Davis, ASA President
- Steve Evett, ASA President-Elect
- Alan Schlegel, Ag. Production Systems Section
- Jeff Coulter, Biometry & Stats Computing Section
- Tim Reinbott, Land Management & Conservation Section
- Dennis Timlin, Climatology & Modeling Section
- Sally Flis, ICCA Board Rep.
- Danielle Cooney, Graduate Student Rep.
- Dave Clay, Finance Board Rep.
- Jeff Volenec, ASF Board Chair, ex-officio
- Ellen Bergfeld, Chief Executive Officer, ex-officio

**Unable to Attend:**
- Paul Fixen, ASA Past President
- Sieg Snapp, Global Agronomy Section
- John Holman, Education & Extension Section
- Jim Ippolito, Environmental Quality Section
- Beth Guertal, ASA Editor-in-Chief, ex-officio

**Also Participating:**
- Susan Chapman, Member Services Director
- Bill Cook, Meetings Director
- Susan Fisk, Science Communications Director
- Wes Meixelsperger, CFO/Meetings Director
- Ian Popkewitz, IT/Operations Director
- Luther Smith, Business Relations Manager
- Sara Uttech, Governance & Membership Senior Manager

**A003 ASA Board of Directors**

1. **ACTION:** Motion by Dennis Timlin, seconded by Danielle Cooney, to approve the April 20, 2017 ASA Agenda. Unanimous approval.
2. **ACTION:** Motion by Paul Carter, seconded by Sally Flis, to approve the March 16, 2017 ASA Board Minutes. Unanimous approval.
3. The ASA Board Meeting in Madison is Thursday May 4, 2017. The hotel is the Candlewood Suites, 5421 Caddis Bend, Madison, WI 53711.

**A301 Editorial Affairs, Policies & Practices**

1. Call for *Agronomy Journal* Editor – applications are closed.
2. Call for ASA Editor-in-Chief – applications due to Jessica Davis by June 30, 2017.
3. Bill Cook reported on the decision to eliminate the last of the member print subscriptions as of Jan. 1, 2018. There are now very small numbers of print subscriptions.
4. The ACSESS Editors Conference will be held in Madison May 25-26, 2017.

**A733 Agronomy Conference Meetings**

1. ASA is hosting a workshop with CSSA and SSSA, “Crop Residues for Advanced Biofuels: Exploring Soil Carbon Effects” will be held Aug. 15-17 in Sacramento, CA, and funded by registration and sponsors ($70,000 in verbal commitments). Info at: [www.agronomy.org/meetings/crop-residues](http://www.agronomy.org/meetings/crop-residues). The workshop is focused on developing a consensus document to provide policy direction. ThinkTank software will be used to encourage sharing of ideas and views. Doug Karlen is the program planning chair.
2. There are plans to develop an ASA Specialized Conference on nitrogen-ecosystem management in June 2018 in Estes Park, CO, organized by Sally Flis, Luther Smith, and Jessica Davis. One idea is working with IPNI and Field to Market to put together N and CO2 calculators. Another is looking at practices and research projects to identify research gaps to assist CCAs in making recommendations and developing management plans. Jessica would like to see a white paper come out of it.

**A101 Nomination for President-Elect**

Jessica Davis presented the 2017 ASA Election results, including the incoming President-Elect Gary Pierznyski.
A463 ASA Presidential Award
Jessica Davis reported that she has three nominations for the ASA Presidential Award, and that she will meet with the ASA Executive Committee to discuss and determine the recipient(s).

A711 Program Planning
Steve Evett and Wes Meixelsperger provided an update of the 2017 Annual Meeting Oct. 22-25 in Tampa:

- Sunday Oct. 22 ASA Board Meeting, 2:00-4:00pm
- Sunday Oct. 22 Opening Keynote: Cathie Woteki, Former Chief Scientist and Under Secretary for Agriculture
- Tuesday Oct. 24 Movie Night: Between Earth and Sky: Climate Change on the Last Frontier
- Wednesday Oct. 25 ASA Award Breakfast/York Plenary: Scott Angle, International Fertilizer Development Center
- Wednesday Oct. 25 Closing Keynote: George Kourounis, Adventurer/Explorer
- Changes for Section Business Meetings and the newly named Community Planning Sessions

Consensus to Adjourn.