

Minutes of the 2007 Meeting of the Georgia Entomological Society

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2007 @ Georgia Center (UGA Campus, Athens)

The executive meeting met with President John All presiding. Wayne Gardner reported that journal authors could now use credit cards (Discover, Mastercard, and Visa) to pay journal expenses (page charges and reprints). The committee also discussed meeting costs; it was agreed that the current expenditure of \$3500-\$4500 per meeting was not cause for alarm. Finally, the committee reviewed the current practice of giving students \$50 for participating in the annual meeting. It may be more useful to the students and more economical to the Society to award travel grants based on merit. Students could report a successful grant proposal on their c.v., and the Society would pay a stipend only to selected student participants.

Business Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2007 @ Georgia Center (UGA Campus, Athens)

President John All called the meeting to order at 11:30 am. He recognized Kris Braman, Jim Dutcher, Terry All, and Dan Horton for their contributions to the meeting and the program; the abstracts will appear in proceedings published on the Society web page. The president also thanked Danny Fendley for assisting with audio/visual needs of the meeting. The 2006 minutes were accepted with one minor revision, the spelling of Danny Fendley's name.

Nancy Hinkle submitted the following reported as chair of the Financial Advisory Committee (Hinkle, D. Buntin, J. Dutcher, P. Guillebeau)

The 2006 GES president, Bob McPherson, assigned an ad hoc committee the responsibility of recommending guidelines to maintain the Society's current financial strength. Following discussion, the committee was reluctant to restrict instruments or institutions, or to otherwise impose limitations on money management, preferring to recommend that the Executive Committee, in consultation with the Secretary/Treasurer, annually review the Society's investment strategy and make adjustments as seems prudent. This preserves flexibility to deal with vagaries as earnings and expenses increase/decline.

Specifically, the Treasurer is encouraged to continue to comparison shop, ensuring that CDs are invested so as to maximize interest rates without locking sums in such that opportunities for higher rates are missed. Likewise, it is recommended that the corpus be 'laddered,' broken into appropriate segments that are invested for variable lengths of time, to avoid becoming locked into low rates. With sequential maturity dates, portions of the sum are regularly available to rollover for best available rates.

The committee recommends:

- (1) Maintaining corpus above \$65,000
- (2) If principal drops below that, take actions as delineated below:
 - a) Reduce number and/or amounts of awards
 - b) Reduce meeting costs
 - c) Increase meeting registration fees
 - d) Increase GES membership
 - e) Increase membership dues

Paul Guillebeau (secretary-treasurer) presented the financial report (attached). The audit committee (Stormy Sparks and John Ruberson) indicated that the treasurer was maintaining satisfactory financial records for the Society. The report was accepted.

The site selection committee (Phillip Roberts, Darold Batzer, Dan Suiter, and William Irby) reported that Lake Blackshear (Cordele) was the committee's recommendation for the 2008 meeting. The committee further recommended that either Unicoi State Park or Amicalola Falls State Park be the site for the 2009 meeting. The members voted to accept the committee's recommendation. After some discussion, the membership decided that the 2008 and 2009 meetings should be held the 1st or 2nd week of April.

The Nominations committee (Bob McPherson, Jim Dutcher, Wayne Gardner) reported that the new president-elect was John Ruberson.

The Insect Survey committee (Phillip Roberts, Nancy Hinkle, Paul Guillebeau) indicated that 2004 Survey & Loss report was completed and that work was underway for the 2005 report.

The Membership and Computer Resources committee (David Riley, John All, Jim Dutcher, Glynn Tillman, Todd Nims, Keith Griffith) indicated that a survey of membership recommended updating GES guidelines, moving important information to the opening page of the GES web site, maintaining an accurate e-mail list of the membership, and notifying membership of changes to the GES web page. The recommendations were accepted. The complete survey and results are attached.

The Operating Guidelines committee (Bob McPherson, John All, Lance Peterson, Jim Hanula) recommended that committees review pertinent operating guidelines each year. Upon approval from the executive committee, Lance Peterson would add any revisions to the Guidelines. The recommendation was accepted.

The Student Affairs committee (John Ruberson, William Irby, Dan Hagan, Dan Horton, Jaime Fuest, Sarah Mock) recommended that an additional activity for students ("Bioblitz") be included in the 2008 meeting. The Bioblitz would be a collecting activity designed to sample insect fauna around the meeting site. The recommendation was passed.

The Resolutions committee (Alton Sparks, Jr., Xinzhi Ni, Keith Delaplane, Joe Williamson) presented the attached resolutions.

New Business

The Student Affairs committee recommended that the GES revisit the current program of awarding \$50 to every student member that participates in the annual meeting. They suggested that the money might be better used to fund a competitive award for student participants. The committee agreed to explore options and report back to the membership in 2008.

A motion passed to revise the GES Directory of Entomology. Linda Smyth agreed to head this project.

President John All then passed the gavel to President Kris Braman. She recognized John All for his leadership and presented him a plaque to recognize his efforts. A motion then passed to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 pm May 18, 2007.

Attachments: 2007 awards
 Resolutions
 Web survey
 Journal report
 Meeting report (attendees, costs, income)

Minutes submitted by Paul Guillebeau, June 11, 2007.

2007 Georgia Entomological Society Awards.

Founders Recognition. Ted Cottrell delivered the Founders' lecture to honor Jerry Payne.

Fellows. Jim Dutcher and Keith Griffith were selected as GES Fellows.

O.I. Snapp Award for best paper presented by a regular member. Marianne Robinette (received \$100 and a plaque)

C.M Beckham Award for best paper presented by a Ph.D. student

Winner: Juanita Forrester (received \$100 and a plaque)
Runner up: Andrew Nuss (received \$75 and a certificate)
Third place: Jaime Fuest (received \$50 and a certificate)
Third place: Kyle Wickings (received \$50 and a certificate) [*tie for 3rd*]

T.S. Bissell Award for best paper presented by a M.S. student

Winner: Aubree Roche (received \$100 and a plaque)
Runner up: Erika Scocco (received \$75 and a certificate)
Third place: none (only two papers were submitted by M.S. students)

U.E. Brady Award for best student poster

Winner: Shimat Joseph (received \$100 and a plaque)
Runner up: Krishna Bayyareddy (received \$75 and a certificate)
Third place: Michael Ulyshen (received a certificate)

GES Scholarships

M.S. Nathan Lord (received \$500 and a plaque)
Ph.D. Adriano Giorgi (received \$500 and a plaque)

Photo Salon

Sturgis McKeever Best of Show: Jeff Brushwein

Covers:

John All - for Slug caterpillars
Jeffrey Brushwein - for Leafhopper
Nathan Lord - for New Mom
Nathan Lord - for Caterpillar Dreadlocks

Portrait Category: 1st: Jeff Brushwein
2nd: Nathan Lord
3rd: Alton (Stormy) Sparks

Sequence Category: 1st: Xinzhi Ni
2nd: John All

Biology Category: 1st: Nathan Lord
2nd: Todd Nims
3rd: James Robertson

Micro Category: 1st: Adriano Giorgi

**Georgia Entomological Society
Resolutions – 2007 Annual Meeting**

Whereas, the 71st Annual Meeting of the Georgia Entomological Society was convened May 17, 2007 at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education, Athens, Georgia; and

Whereas, President John N. All, through dedicated hard work and commitment, organized and directed the Georgia Entomological Society during 2006-2007, and provided superb leadership for the 2007 Annual Meeting; and

Whereas, President-Elect Kristine Braman organized and coordinated excellent and informative paper and poster programs for the meeting; and

Whereas, Terry All contributed significantly to the success of the meeting through her activities in several aspects of the meeting including registration and development of the program; and

Whereas, the Local Arrangements Committee, chaired by Dan Horton, organized and prepared an excellent format for foundation of this meeting; and

Whereas, Danny Fendley greatly aided the smooth progression of all oral presentations through organization and operation of the audio-visual equipment; and

Whereas, Jim Dutcher provided for transport and set up of backboards for the poster presentations; and

Whereas, Ted Cottrell provided an excellent presentation for the Founder's Lecture in honor of Jerry A. Payne as the 2007 Georgia Entomological Society Founder; and

Whereas, James (Jim) Dutcher and Keith Griffith were most appropriately recognized as Fellows of the Georgia Entomological Society; and

Whereas, Amvac, Bayer CropScience, Chemtura, Dow AgroSciences, FMC, and Syngenta Corp. generously provided financial support for refreshments and the Society Mixer during the 2007 Annual Meeting;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Georgia Entomological Society extend its sincere appreciation and thanks to all who have contributed to the success and enjoyment of the 71st Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
G. David Buntin
Xinzhi Ni
2007 GES Resolutions Committee

Member Survey on the Use of Internet Resources for the Journal of Entomological Science (JES) and Other Aspects of the Georgia Entomological Society (2007).

1. Is the GES website <http://www.ent.uga.edu/ges/> user friendly? 11 Yes 1 No
Comments: need to purchase url specifically for GES
2. Are the online instructions to authors for JES sufficient as is? 7 Yes 1 No
Comments: needs updating, not used, not sufficient, need address for meeting title submission on home page
3. Is the recent use of e-proofs for authors for JES a useful improvement? 5 Yes 2 No
Comments: don't know, not used, not receiving these directly - W. Gardner has to forward, it does speed up the process
4. Would access to pdf offprints of JES publications be desirable? 12 Yes 0 No
Comments:
5. Is a total web-based use of JES as author and reviewer desirable? 7 Yes 3 No
Comments:
6. Are the online announcements of GES activities sufficient as is? 9 Yes 4 No
Comments: need to maintain better, needs earlier/timely postings, need email reminders to check updates on website, the GES program was posted late
7. Are the postings of the GES meeting programs sufficient as is? 12 Yes 2 No
Comments: need to post information on GES meeting earlier
8. Have you ever had a problem with the GES site webmaster? 2 Yes 11 No
Comments: sometimes the site is down
9. List three problems with the current GES website or GES email notifications

Not receiving emails from GES, not notifying members when the website is updated, the posted guidelines are not sufficient and need revision, the website is down sometimes, the homepage needs to be more appealing to viewers, information on the meeting is lacking, needs an updated membership list with contact information.
10. List three desired improvements with the current GES website or GES email notifications.

Post more GES information, post information about the GES meeting earlier in the year, list standard deadlines for the call for papers, include a GES subject line on all emails, post GES member contact information that is only accessible via a member password, send out post cards in addition to email notification, make it possible to submit power point presentation for the meeting via the website (the email address worked well this year), make it possible for committee chairs to update guidelines via the website, archive guidelines, policies and meeting abstracts on the website.

2006 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE JOURNAL OF ENTOMOLOGICAL SCIENCE
Submitted 16 May 2007
71st Annual Meeting of the Georgia Entomological Society (Athens, Georgia)

Volume 41 of *The Journal of Entomological Science* was published in four (4) issues. No. 1 was mailed to the membership on 27 February 2006, no. 2 was mailed on 03 April 2006, no. 3 was mailed on 10 July 2006, and no. 4 was mailed on 09 October 2006. Cover photos for these issues were selected in the 2005 Photo Salon at the annual meeting of the Society at Athens. Jeffrey Brushwein supplied the cover photos for no. 1 and no. 2, while Alton N. (Stormy) Sparks, Jr., supplied the photos for no. 3 and no. 4.

The volume was published in 420 total pages with 34 scientific articles (342 pages), 20 scientific notes (70 pages), 1 author index (2 pages), 1 subject index (3 pages), 1 erratum (1 page), and 2 instructions to the authors (2 pages).

During 2006, 85 manuscripts were submitted for consideration for publication. Of those, 5 have been returned to and remain with the authors for further revision prior to acceptance. Of the remaining 80 manuscripts, 73 have been accepted for publication for a current acceptance rate of 90%. The average time from receipt of the manuscripts to action on the manuscript was 79 days.

Susan Thornhill, Business Manager, reports a balance of \$49,758.36 in the Journal account as of 28 February 2007. Deposits and disbursements are itemized as follows:

Beginning Balance 3/1/06			\$38,985.10
Plus Deposits			40,224.80
Minus Checks			29,451.54
Balance as of February 28, 2007			\$49,758.36
Deposits		Checks	
Library Subscriptions	\$5650.00	Print (Sheridan Press)	\$29,423.49
Reprints	34,367.75	Deposit slips	28.05
Royalties	207.05		
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	\$40,224.80		\$29,451.54

The Journal will begin accepting payment for publication charges by Visa, MasterCard, and Discover with the 2nd issue of the 42nd volume (May 2007).

Wayne A. Gardner, Editor

2007 Georgia Entomological Society Meeting Report

	Attending member	Category
1.	French, Frank	Emeritus
2.	Hagan, Dan	Emeritus
3.	Oetting, Ron	Emeritus
4.	Peterson, Lance	Emeritus
5.	All, Terry	Guest
6.	Lance, Kirk	Guest
7.	Paulin, Eileen	Guest
8.	Riley, Angie	Guest
9.	Smyth, Rex	Guest
10.	All, John	Regular
11.	Amis, Ann	Regular
12.	Braman, Kris	Regular
13.	Braxton, Bo	Regular
14.	Buntin, David	Regular
15.	Coleman, Tom	Regular
16.	Cottrell, Ted	Regular
17.	Diffie, Stan	Regular
18.	Douce, Keith	Regular
19.	Dutcher, Jim	Regular
20.	Gardner, Wayne	Regular
21.	Griffith, Keith	Regular
22.	Hadden, James	Regular
23.	Hanula, Jim	Regular
24.	Hinkle, Nancy	Regular
25.	Horn, Scott	Regular
26.	Horton, Dan	Regular
27.	Hua, Gang	Regular
28.	Jenkins, Tracie	Regular
29.	Kemp, Dean	Regular
30.	Laforest, Joe	Regular
31.	McPherson, Bob	Regular
32.	Miller, Dan	Regular
33.	Miller, Hub	Regular
34.	Mullen, Mike	Regular
35.	Newell, Sandy	Regular
36.	Newsome, Larry	Regular
37.	Ni, Xinzhi	Regular
38.	Nims, Todd	Regular
39.	Noblet, Ray	Regular
40.	Overmeyer, Jay	Regular
41.	Quick, Jim	Regular

42.	Riley, David	Regular
43.	Roberts, Phillip	Regular
44.	Ruberson, John	Regular
45.	Sillam-Dusses, David	Regular
46.	Smyth, Linda	Regular
47.	Sparks Jr., Alton	Regular
48.	Tillman, Glynn	Regular
49.	Toews, Michael	Regular
50.	Townsend, Monica	Regular
51.	Weiss, Tony	Regular
52.	Young, Herb	Regular
53.	Angelella, Gina	Student
54.	Bayyareddy, Krishna	Student
55.	Chen, Yigen	Student
56.	Chitturi, Anitha	Student
57.	Forrester, Juanita	Student
58.	Fuest, Jaime	Student
59.	Joseph, Shimat	Student
60.	Lewis, Jennifer	Student
61.	Lord, Nathan	Student
62.	Nuss, Andrew	Student
63.	Robertson, James	Student
64.	Robinette, Marianne	Student
65.	Roche, Aubree	Student
66.	Scocco, Chris	Student
67.	Scocco, Erika	Student
68.	Shockley, Floyd	Student
69.	Slider, Amanda	Student
70.	Ulyshen, Michael	Student
71.	Wickings, Kyle	Student
72.	Zhang, Rui	Student

Meeting financial report

Registration income + industry support (\$1000) = \$4150.00

*Registration fee –
regular member (\$75)
student/emeritus (\$30)
guest (\$15)*

Conference expenses (Ga. Center) = \$4123.69

Additional meeting expenses

T-shirts + golf prizes \$275.04

Travel expenses for Founder (J. Payne) \$169.53

Total meeting expenses = \$4568.26

MEETING INCOME - EXPENSES = -\$418.26

NOTE: expenses do not include plaques, student travel grants, or other award-related expenses.

2006-2007 Financial Report (Fiscal year runs from March 1 - Feb. 28)

Income

\$2845 (dues)
\$3030 (meeting registration)
\$200 (industry support)
\$2938 (interest income)
\$9013

Expenses \$3027.21 (awards)
\$30 (filing fee for incorporation)
\$4049.65 (meeting expenses)
\$1500 (payroll)
\$4.20 (postage)
\$8611.06

Income – Expenses = 401.94

Total assets (February 28, 2007): \$74,846.63 (assets one year ago: \$74,259.50)

Checking account balance \$11,288.00
CD balance \$63,558.63
\$74,846.63