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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The complete minutes of the September 23, 1999 Executive Committee Meeting, held at the USDA, CMAVE Gainesville, FL are available on the FES webpage. The edited version follows:

Executive Committee Members in Attendance: Lance Peterson, Theresa DuChene, Pat Greany, Nancy Epsky, Julie Stavisky, Marco Toapanta, Karen Young, and John Petti.

Committee Chairs and FES Members in Attendance: Norm Leppla, Richard Mankin, Robert Meagher, Tom Walker, Howard Frank, Susan Webb, Lois Wood, Bernie Sparks, and John Capinera.

President's Opening Remarks: The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. President Peterson asked those in attendance to review minutes from the April 13th and July 25th, 1999, Executive Committee Meetings and the 82nd Annual Business Meeting of the Florida Entomological Society. All were approved unanimously, with insertions to be added to the Annual Business Meeting minutes. Mention of Industry Sponsors and their contributions are also to be added under Resolution No. 4 in the Report of the Resolutions Committee.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the 80th and 81st Annual Business Meetings were erroneously combined/mixed and printed in the March, 1999 issue of the journal. Original files including the Minutes and Presidential Addresses from both meetings were resubmitted and will be republished in their entirety in the December, 1999 issue of the *Florida Entomologist*. Photographs from the 81st Meeting will also be published. Minutes, Past President Sivinski's Presidential Address, and photographs from the 82nd Annual Meeting will be sent to Dick Baranowski in December and published in the March, 2000 issue

Florida Entomologist. A letter of thanks and appreciation was mailed to Carlos Basante of the Condado Hotel for helping to make the 82nd Annual Meeting a success. John Petti thanked Julie Stavisky for filling in as secretary at the 82nd Annual Meeting.

Business Manager's Report (Teresa DuChene): Teresa reported lower than anticipated local attendance at the annual meeting. Overall attendance of one hundred persons was down from 158 and 146 in 1997 and 1998, respectively. In spite of low attendance, Teresa reported that the net loss of \$2,933.34 from the 1999 Annual Meeting was held to a more manageable level than recent years due to financial control measures the FES Board has recently implemented. The Society received a \$550.00 donation from DuPont for the use of a meeting room at the annual meeting and a \$500.00 donation from the U. S. Army for Monday's breaks. President Peterson pointed out that Dow AgroSciences had contributed \$185.00 for the student luncheon and that he would arrange to have \$250.00 donated to the Society for the student luncheon at the 2000 meeting. Teresa asked for clarification on how long non-renewing FES members' data should be retained in the on-line member data base. Richard Mankin explained that fields, accessible and viewable only by FES administrative personnel, could be added to indicate membership status. Teresa will now be using new accounting software that accommodates multiple departments and will allow her to allocate portions of revenues and expenses to specific areas. This will provide a more detailed account of Society business and be useful to the Executive Committee in the future when evaluating alternative business decisions. The Business Manager's report for the period ending August 31, 1999, was prepared using the new software and was approved by the Executive Committee.

Local Arrangements (John Capinera): President Peterson announced that he and John Capinera evaluated several hotels in the Naples area, site of the

2000 Annual Meeting. The choices have been narrowed down to the Marco Island Marriot and the Naples Registry. John Capinera asked for input from the Program Committee in regard to holding a workshop at the annual meeting. President Peterson reported that while details are not yet worked out, he has allowed for and expects to have a workshop. He asked the Program and Local Arrangements Committees to work closely on the matter and decide quickly since the workshop would require reserving an additional meeting room at the hotel.

Program (Pat Greany): Pat announced that a call for symposia ideas and volunteers would appear in the next FES Newsletter. The 2000 Annual Meeting is scheduled for August 6th through the 9th in Naples, Florida. President Peterson recommended the Pioneer Lecturer and Honoree be selected, biographies written, and a synopsis of next year's program be prepared by the first of the year. He also suggested that a program preview be available on the Web by or shortly after the first of the year and include all of the above. **Efforts to inform registrants that annual meeting programs would no longer be printed and mailed apparently failed as a significant number of members complained in Puerto Rico. The FES Newsletter will be used to communicate the change in policy and explain the procedure for downloading the 2000 Annual Meeting Program from the FES web site.** Additionally, the meeting registration form will be used to inform members of the program policy change and **provide members without access to the Web the opportunity to order a copy of the program for a \$5.00 or \$10.00 additional charge.** The deadline for **paper submission** will be **April 10th**. The Program Committee was instructed to set a deadline for the final version of the 2000 Program and post the date on the Web so members would know when to download it.

Pioneer Lecturer Award (Norm Leppla): Norm announced that he will continue as chairman this year and that the Committee plans to nominate Clay McCoy for the position the following year. Dale Habeck has asked to be moved off the Committee and they need a nomination for someone to replace him. The Committee discussed and agreed that in order to give the annual meetings continuity, nominations for the Pioneer Lecture Honoree should be rotated between representatives from academia, industry, and state and coincide with the theme of the meetings. John T. Creighton and Lewis Wright are the Committee's recommendations for Honoree and Lecturer, respectively, for the 2000 Annual Meeting. Both were accepted unanimously. In keeping with the January 1, 2000, deadline, Norm announced that Pauline Lawrence had completed the drafts of the biographies and would be submitting them

to him for review.

Public Relations (Nancy Epsky): Nancy requested names of the new members on the Membership Committee to coordinate advertising at the national meeting. President Peterson reported that he had not yet selected a new chairman.

Newsletter (Lois Wood and Nancy Epsky): Lois reported that the September issue of the Newsletter is close to completion and will be mailed out soon. After reflecting on matters discussed earlier in the meeting and some discussion, it was decided that the September issue should include a call for symposia, announce the April 10th deadline for paper submission, and clarification on obtaining a copy of the 2000 Program. Both November and February issues are to include a call for submitted papers. The submission form is to be available on the FES web site and printed in the February Newsletter. Lois requested the new list of committee members, Executive Committee Minutes, and the Presidential Address by the second week of November. Secretary Petti is to supply a copy of the Minutes to Richard for publication on the web site as well as to the Newsletter Committee. Both President Peterson and Lois questioned the value of publishing Minutes in the Newsletter and on the FES web site. Pat Greany added that we should be eliminating the hard copy version of the Newsletter altogether. Nancy Epsky suggested we wait until the membership database improvements are completed so individual members can indicate their personal preference or requirements. Pat Greany requested the Newsletter also include another plea for members to furnish their email address.

Student Affairs (Elzie McCord): President Peterson will speak to Elzie about continuing as Chairman of the Student Affairs Committee but may need to appoint a new chairman. He introduced Karen Young (Florida A&M) and Marco Toapanta (Univ. Florida) as the new Student Members of the Executive Committee. President Peterson suggested that by setting aside funds each year, FES could make more money available for student travel grants to offshore meetings. Pat Greany agreed that it was a good idea but questioned where the money would come from. President Peterson mentioned sustaining membership as one source. Pat suggested soliciting earmarked tax deductible donations in the Newsletter. Other suggestions were offered, but President Peterson deferred further discussion or any decisions until after he had proposed the idea to Elzie or a new chairman.

Caribbean Conference (): There was some preliminary discussion of the next offshore meeting. Possible locations include Venezuela, Trinidad, and the

Dominican Republic. The information will be turned over to the Caribbean Conference Committee when its composition is finalized. President Peterson announced that he would like to have a Spanish paper session at every year's meeting.

Computer Resources (Richard Mankin): The committee developed guidelines for the use of banner advertisements and job announcements on the FES web site and proposed them to the Executive Committee. It was apparent that the undertaking would require a substantial investment of time. In order to avoid overloading existing committee members, President Peterson suggested forming a new committee of two to three people to oversee the project. He offered to put together the new committee and have them prepare a final version of the guidelines for approval later.

Publications (Tom Walker): Tom re-introduced the issue of putting current issues of the *Florida Entomologist* on the Web without additional charges. He reports that from 1994 to present, the *Florida Entomologist* is experiencing a smaller percentage decline in library subscriptions than four ESA journals. After an 11% decline in these subscriptions for 1999, we experienced an 11% gain in revenues due to increasing the subscription price by 25%. While FES has not yet experienced a crisis from the loss of subscriptions, he warns that we should be prepared for the inevitable. Tom introduced PubMed Central, a new means of speeding the transfer of biological research to a Web repository with barrier-free access. He expects it will be the major starting place for searches of Web-accessible biological literature and a near-perfect system of disseminating research results. In addition to peer-reviewed literature, PubMed Central will host reports that are screened and approved by organizations such as FES but not formally peer-reviewed. The service is government supported, free to FES, and will be available in January, 2000. In light of the above, Tom suggested the Executive Committee consider supplementing publishing revenues and prepare for coming changes by offering its authors immediate posting on PubMed Central for a fee. Additionally, FES should provide its authors with two new services without charge: 1) Certify all submitted (but non-peer-reviewed) manuscripts for posting on PubMed Central; and, 2) Post all *Florida Entomologist* articles on PubMed Central two years after they are published. After much discussion, the Executive Committee voted unanimously to post all *Florida Entomologist* articles on PubMed Central two years after they are published and to begin offering immediate posting of peer-reviewed manuscripts on PubMed Central for a fee. The details of how much to charge and who will collect the money are to be worked out.

The matter of posting submitted (but not peer-reviewed) manuscripts on PubMed Central will most certainly require a substantial amount of Dick Baranowski's time; therefore, John Capinera, Susan Webb, Pat Greany, and Tom Walker were charged with consulting him before any action will be taken. Pat Greany feels there is a need to define what is appropriate for publication in the *Florida Entomologist*. President Peterson charged him with the task of approaching the Publications Committee to draft a Statement of Scope to be submitted to the Executive Committee for approval.

Old Business:

Howard Frank got favorable feedback from the editor of the Venezuelan Entomological Society's journal in regard to trading advertising space in our journals to increase membership. Bernie Sparks suggested designing our add and sending it to them while waiting for formal approval from their board. President Peterson asked Marco Toapanta, Julie Stavisky, and Howard Frank to work on it.

Next meeting of the Executive Committee was December 9, 1999, at the USDA in Gainesville. The minutes for this meeting will be in the next newsletter.

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held April 20, 2000, at 1 pm at the USDA/ARS, CMAVE Conference Room, Gainesville. All members are invited to attend. Committee members are encouraged to attend and provide reports of current activities.

TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS

FES wishes to remind its members that contributions can be made to the Society as tax deductions. These donations may be earmarked if so desired. One suggestion would be to donate specifically toward student grant funds, whether it be for travel or scholarship. Please contact the Business Manager, Teresa DuChene, through email (flaentsoc@worldnet.att.net) or telephone/fax (813/903-9234).

EMAIL ADDRESSES

Please furnish your email address to the Society. It can be used as an efficient means to communicate breaking news issues that need your input. Contact the Business Manager, Teresa DuChene (flaentsoc@worldnet.att.net) or the Webmaster, Richard Mankin (rmankin@gainesville.usda.ufl.edu).

83rd ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The 83rd Annual Meeting of the Florida Entomological Society will be held August 6-9, 2000 at The Registry Resort, 475 Seagate Dr., Naples, Florida, tel: 800-247-9810 or 941-597-3232, fax: 941-597-9151, www.registryhotels.com. Rooms are available through the hotel at the FES Group Block rate of \$110.00 + 9% state and local tax/day for single or double occupancy. This rate is available to Conference guests for 3 days before and 3 days after the scheduled meeting. Suites are also available at higher cost, and valet parking is available for a fee.

The Registry is a luxurious resort located on 23 acres facing the Gulf of Mexico, along the Gulf of Mexico's Platinum Coast. The resort property is surrounded by a 200 acre mangrove preserve, and connected by boardwalk to a 3 mile-long white sand beach. The guest rooms feature a lovely view of the Gulf from the balconies, and are available in one and two bed configurations.

The Registry has several restaurants, shops and recreational facilities. Many other restaurants are available, off the hotel property, only a few minutes away. Free covered parking is provided beneath the hotel building. The Registry has received numerous awards and industry recognition including AAA Four-Diamond Award, Mobil Travel Guide's Four-Star Award, Zagat's Guide Top 10 Resorts in Florida and Top 100 Resorts in USA; and many others. Amenities include a 27-hole Tom Fazio-designed golf course, 15 Har-Tru tennis courts, recreational and educational programs for 5-12 year olds, health club with spa, game room, bike rentals and numerous other activities.

Driving times to Naples are: 2 hours from Miami, 3 ½ hours from Tampa, 4 hours from Orlando and 6 ½ hours from Jacksonville. Flights are also available into Southwest Florida International Airport.

Spanish-Speaking Session Option for Submitted Papers

Last year's meeting had a Spanish-speaking session option for submitted papers. The session was well attended and the Society received positive reaction from the members that attended. Therefore, the 2000 Annual Meeting will include a Spanish-speaking session for members that would prefer to present in Spanish. If possible, the slides should contain English for the non-Spanish speaking members of the audience. Please monitor the FES website (www.flaentsoc.org) for additional information pertaining to the annual meeting as the program develops.

Program Download

The **2000 Annual Meeting Program** will not be printed and mailed. As the annual meeting date approaches, instructions for downloading the program from the FES web site will be available in the Newsletter and on the web site itself. Additionally, the meeting registration form will be used to inform members of the program policy change and provide members without access to the Web the opportunity to order a copy of the program for a \$5 or \$10 additional charge.

A NEW FACE AND FORMAT FOR THE FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGIST

As many of you are aware from discussions at the last annual meeting and from previous presidential messages, our Editor, Richard Baranowski, has proposed a number of changes to the Florida Entomologist. The pages would become larger, the text would be printed in double columns, headings would be more often "bold", the Table of Contents would be moved to the inside to appear on the first page, and the back cover would be left blank. In essence, the appearance would be more in the style of an Entomological Society of America journal, such as the Annals. It is presently the opinion of the executive committee that there should be a picture on the front cover, but whether this should be a "permanent" symbol of the society, or an entomological illustration that changes quarterly or yearly has yet to be decided. If you have any comments about the details of the proposed changes, or even whether the changes should take place, contact Richard Baranowski (rmb@gnv.ifas.ufl.edu or [305] 246-6340). We would be particularly interested in ideas for the cover.

John Sivinski, Past-President

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The FES Nominations Committee invites you to nominate individuals for the following 2000-01 Executive Committee offices:

Vice-President _____
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Secretary _____

The Nominations Committee will put together a final nominations list (two nominations per office). An election ballot will be printed in the June Newsletter. Winners will be announced at the August Business Meeting.

Please email your nominations (feel free to nominate yourself) to JSivinski@gainesville.usda.ufl.edu

Or mail them to:

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PAPER SUBMISSIONS

The next newsletter will contain information on paper submission, including a deadline date and instructions for electronic submission. It has yet to be decided whether a paper submission form will be printed in the newsletter.

MEMBERS AND EVENTS

There were no submissions for this Newsletter.

This newsletter is published irregularly between issues of the Journal of the Society, *The Florida Entomologist*. It is intended for the publication of subjects of interest to the members of the Florida Entomological Society. Articles, announcements, awards and other news about FES members are solicited from the membership and should be addressed to the co-editors Lois Wood or Nancy Epsky.

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1. Invitational talks, keynote speeches etc...: Speaker, organization, meeting, date, location and title of talk.
2. Honors & Awards: Recipient, title of award, given for and given by.
3. International Activities: Person, date, activity and funding source.
4. Grants/Contracts: Principal investigator(s), project title, funding source and project description.
5. Major Publications (Books, Monographs, Chapters): Authors, title and citation.
6. National or Branch Offices: Person, office held, organization and dates.
7. Moving up: Person on the move, old position, new position, location, date of change and responsibilities.
8. Visiting Entomologists: Visitor(s), visiting from, dates, purpose of visit, host and location.
9. On Leave: Person, new location, dates and activity.
10. Community Activities: Person, project description, organization, location and dates.