MINUTES OF THE
ARPAS Mid-Year Governing Council Conference Call Meeting
Friday, January 14, 2011

In attendance: Bill Braman, Kenneth Cummings, Andy Cole, Marit Arana, Wayne Kellogg, Bill Sanchez, Carl Hunt, Steve Schmidt, Bill Price, Darrell Johnson, Joe Harrison, Pete Erickson, Lawson Spicer, Dana Tomlinson, John Wagner, Randy Shaver, Tim Riordan, Jud Heinrichs, Shawn Archibeque, and Yvona Vlach (FASS).

Absent: Benjy Mikel, Terry Mader, Frank Janicki, Frank Owsley, Jim Spain, Michael Darre, Cindy McCall, and Jamie Ritter.

1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Review and Approval of Agenda – Bill Braman

President Bill Braman welcomed all attendees and called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm Central Time. He asked for any changes to the agenda. Kenneth Cummings added one item to New Business on the agenda: FDA employees. Marit Arana mentioned a change in the ADSA report – the ADSA representative is Tim Riordan, not Ray Hinders. Bill Braman added two items to New Business: a) Kenneth Cummings will be giving an update on NRCS MOU and b) letter of support for South Dakota State University.

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Marit Arana, seconded by Randy Shaver, and approved unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried.

(See Appendix A)

2. Approval of Minutes – Andy Cole

Andy Cole mentioned that the 2010 Governing Council Meeting minutes and Business Meeting minutes have not been posted on the website as was noted on the agenda because the minutes have yet to be approved. Instead, the minutes have been distributed to the Governing Council via e-mail.

Motion to approve the July 11, 2010 Governing Council Meeting and the July 13, 2010 Business Meeting minutes was made by Bill Price, seconded by Marit Arana, and approved unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried.

(See minutes posted on the ARPAS website at http://www.arpas.org/society.asp?view=minutes)

3. Treasurer’s Report – Carl Hunt

Carl Hunt reported that ARPAS has a net value reserve that exceeds ARPAS annual operating. After some fluctuation in August, investments have recovered. Expenses are under budget in all categories, but we came in a little bit short on membership and corporate sponsorship revenue.
There are no significant changes to the proposed budget from previous years. A line needs to be added to the expense side of the budget for Associate Editor’s stipend of $3K/year. A discussion on offsetting the stipend followed. Carl Hunt proposed to reduce the expense side by eliminating freelance journal typesetting which has not been used in several years.

**Motion** to eliminate $1K expense of freelance journal typesetting and add $3K expense for the Associate Editor’s stipend was made by Marit Arana, seconded by Dana Tomlinson, and approved unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried.

(See Appendix B)

4. **President’s Report – Bill Braman**

President Braman thanked Kenneth Cummings for his work on behalf of ARPAS and Yvona Vlach for administrative support. He also acknowledged Marit Arana and her committee’s work on the strategic planning survey. President Braman participated in several chapter meetings this year and is planning to attend other chapter meetings this spring. In closing he thanked the governing council for their participation and hard work.

(See Appendix C)

5. **Executive Vice-President’s Report – Kenneth Cummings**

Kenneth Cummings expressed his appreciation to Yvona Vlach and FASS staff.

He noted that two new ARPAS chapters were formed in 2010, which helps to create enthusiasm and bring the organization down to the local level.

He mentioned the continued growth of ACAS and thanked current and past officers of the board for their help in making ACAS a success.

ARPAS is moving forward thanks in part to the executive committee led by Bill Braman.

(See Appendix D)


Jamie Ritter was absent, and submitted a written report.

(See Appendix E)

7. **Professional Animal Scientist Report – Wayne Kellogg**

Wayne Kellogg would appreciate review articles to be referred to him. The journal was down on page numbers in 2010 due to fewer submissions as well as individual manuscript page numbers. This would be of concern only if the trend continues.

Associate Editor Dr. Goodband has started to review manuscripts related to the swine industry.
Board action needed: a) $600 approval to retrofit and accommodate an Associate Editor, b) approval of new editorial board, and c) discussion about adding DOIs (digital object identifiers) to PAS.

**Motion** to approve Manuscript Central’s estimate of $600 for Associate Editor’s work on assignment of reviewers and receipt of completed reviews was made by Randy Shaver, seconded by Pete Erickson, and approved unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried.

**Motion** to add the digital object identifiers (DOIs) to the Professional Animal Scientist journal was made by Andy Cole, seconded by Jud Heinrichs.

**Motion to Postpone Consideration:** After discussion the topic of DOIs was postponed until the annual meeting in July 2011. The motion to table was made by Marit Arana, seconded by Bill Price and approved unanimously by voice vote. Motion to postpone carried.

*(See Appendix F)*

8. **Historian Report – Bill Price**

Bill Price reported that photos from the annual meeting and the list of PAACO representatives to ARPAS have been posted on the website. Items scheduled to be updated are a list of ACAS officers and ACAS history. Another project under consideration for posting is a picture gallery.

9. **Foundation Report – Darrell Johnson/Kenneth Cummings**

Kenneth Cummings reported that the current balance in the Foundation assets is $40K. He requested to have additional $20K transferred from the unused amount for his salary and travel expenses to the Foundation.

**Motion** to transfer $20K from unspent EVP salary and travel expenses in the operating budget to the ARPAS Foundation was made by Carl Hunt, seconded by Marit Arana, and approved unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried.

President Bill Braman thanked Kenneth Cummings for his support in funding the Foundation.

75% of foundation assets are invested in fixed income and 25% in equity funds. The next step is to form an active board who will direct spending of the interest. The board currently has 3 members but it will need 5 in the future.

10. **Standing Committees**
   a) **Ethics**

       No report

   b) **Membership**
Joe Harrison deferred to the written report.

(See Appendix G)

c) Publications

Pete Erickson reported that the last newsletter was reviewed in November and published in December.

d) Professional Relations

Dana Tomlinson reported that corporate sponsorship remained fairly strong in 2010. A call for corporate support with free individual membership incentive was published in the December newsletter.

An ARPAS Facebook account has been tabled at this time due to lack of volunteers needed to maintain the activities.

(See Appendix H)

e) Program/Symposium

In his report, John Wagner stated that three speakers have been confirmed for the ARPAS symposium. The committee will meet soon to finalize the presentation titles. The theme of the symposium will be evaluation of data for multiple studies. An article on the symposium will appear in the April newsletter. In addition, John Wagner will approach selected organizations to become sponsors of the symposium.

f) Nominating

The nominating committee led by Randy Shaver recently exchanged thought and ideas, but has not made any contacts as of today. This year, two positions need to be filled: President-Elect (coming from industry this year) and Secretary. The committee welcomes input from the board.

g) Examining

Steve Schmidt reported that the number of exams given has dropped this year, while the passage rate has gone up. Joe Harrison added that the number of Feed Management exams has also gone down in the last three years.

(See Appendix I)

11. Affiliated Society Reports

a) ADSA

No report

b) ASAS

(See Appendix J)

c) ESS
No report. Marit Arana noted the ESS does not meet every year but does meet this year.

d)  PSA
   No report

e)  AMSA
   No report

12. Chapter Reports
a)  California
   Lawson Spicer reported that the California chapter had a successful continuing education conference in October of 2010. The topics and speakers centered on nutritional genomics. Marit Arana added that about 100 ARPAS members attended the conference.

b)  Northeast
   Jud Heinrichs reported that 158 members were present at the first meeting of the newly formed ARPAS chapter.

c)  Pacific Northwest
   Bill Sanchez brought up a question of collecting the chapter’s dues by FASS. Kenneth Cummings replied that due to time restrictions collection of dues for the chapter was not set up last fall, but will be included in the next renewal cycle. This issue will be revisited at the Governing Council meeting in July.

d)  Washington, D.C.
   Bill Price reported that the chapter has held three monthly meetings and a half-day symposium is planned for April.

e)  Southern Great Plains
   Andy Cole reported that the chapter will be meeting in April in conjunction with the Plains Nutrition Council. President Bill Braman will attend.

f)  Arkansas
   Wayne Kellogg reported that the chapter had a meeting last fall.

g)  Colorado/Wyoming/Nebraska
   Shawn Archibeque reported that the chapter has been meeting twice a year, but after a drop in attendance decided to meet only once a year to raise the number of members coming to the meetings.

h)  Midwest
   Kenneth Cummings reported that the chapter will meet in March at the ASAS Midwestern Section meeting.

13. ACAS Report
   Bill Sanchez reported that the ACAS board holds monthly conference call meetings. Marit Arana added that the animal welfare science discipline now has a committee led by Dr. Reynnells.
More candidates are board certified through the “highly qualified individual” route, although there have been several exams given as well.

14. PAACO Report
Kenneth Cummings reported on behalf of Frank Owsley. PAACO had a meeting last December. The organization sets standards and offers training to professional animal auditors. PAACO is self-sustaining financially and continues to grow.

15. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with NRCS
Kenneth Cummings could not attend a conference last fall in Washington, D.C. regarding MOUs with NRCS, but participated in a recent conference call with NRCS. Approximately 150 ARPAS members have been trained so far and ARPAS has gained members as a result of feed management certification; however, increase in demand is necessary. Joe Harrison added that NRCS funds the effort to develop the feed management program. Feed management is one of six components of a comprehensive nutrition management plan, but it is voluntary. If it became mandatory we would see more adoption. Kenneth Cummings added that the MOU with NRCS is currently being revised.

16. Insurance Survey
Kenneth Cummings explained that over the years some ARPAS members have been asking about the availability of professional liability insurance. The Registry had attempted to obtain group insurance on several occasions over the years, but was not successful. Based on recent news that Dairy Farmers of America (DFA) insurance company was willing to offer coverage, ARPAS conducted a membership survey and found that approximately 25% of the respondents were interested in purchasing insurance. DFA will receive their names in order to make contact regarding their insurance needs. ARPAS will serve as a conduit between the members and the insurance company.

Motion to provide results of the survey to DFA was made by Lawson Spicer, seconded by John Wagner, and approved unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried.

17. Unfinished business
a) Strategic Planning Survey
Marit Arana reported that a few remaining narrative responses need to be summarized. The group discussed the format in which to publish the survey and decided on a PowerPoint presentation. The finished document will be presented at the Governing Council meeting in July.

18. New Business
a) Nigerian Institute MOU
Kenneth Cummings received a long-term cooperation proposal from the Nigerian Institute. The institute will not become an ARPAS chapter at this time. Rather, it will be a separate organization with a function similar to ARPAS in Nigeria.

Motion to accept the MOU regarding collaboration with the Nigerian Institute was made by Wayne Kellogg, seconded by Bill Price, and approved unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried.
b) **Nominations for Distinguished Professional Animal Scientist award**

Kenneth Cummings called for nominations from the governing council for the award.

c) **Letter of Support of South Dakota State University**

Kenneth Cummings has received a letter from the university asking ARPAS to endorse fees associated with animal science classes. The executive committee will discuss the issue via e-mail and respond within the next month.

d) **“Lancaster Farming” Article**

The governing council discussed an article that appeared in the December 25, 2010 issue of “Lancaster Farming.” The article raised a question about a conflict of interest in regards to government employees (especially FDA) who own farms.

__Motion__ to refer the question regarding government employees and a conflict of interest with respect to their job to the ethics committee was made by Bill Price, seconded by Lawson Spicer, and approved unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried.

19. Adjournment

__Motion__ to adjourn the mid-year meeting was made by Bill Price, seconded by Randy Shaver, and approved unanimously by voice vote. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 PM.
AGENDA 2011 MID-YEAR
ARPAS GOVERNING COUNCIL CONFERENCE CALL
Friday, January 14, 2011
2 pm EST, 1 pm CST, 12 pm MST, 11 am PST
Dial-In Information: 1-888-272-7337    Conference ID: 7065090

1. Welcome and approval of Agenda  Bill Braman
2. Approval of Minutes -July 11, 2010 GC Meeting and July 13, 2010 Annual Business Meeting* Andy Cole
3. Treasurer’s Report- Financial Update and 2011 Budget Carl Hunt/FASS Staff
4. President’s Report Bill Braman
5. Executive Vice-President’s Report Kenneth Cummings
7. PAS Journal Editor’s Report Wayne Kellogg
8. Historian’s Report Bill Price
9. ARPAS Foundation Report Darrell Johnson/KRC
10. Standing Committee Reports
    a. Ethics Jim Spain
    b. Membership Joe Harrison/Yvona Vlach
    c. Publications Pete Erickson
    d. Professional Relations Dana Tomlinson
    e. Program/Symposia John Wagner
    f. Nominating Committee Randy Shaver
    g. Examining Steve Schmidt
11. Reports from Affiliated Society Representatives
    a. ADSA Ray Hinders
    b. ASAS Terry Mader
    c. ESS Cindy McCall
    d. PSA Michael Darre
    e. AMSA William Mikel
12. Chapter Reports Various
13. ACAS Report William Mikel
15. Insurance Survey Report Kenneth Cummings
16. Old Business Bill Braman
    a. Review of Strategic Plan Survey Information Marit Arana
17. New Business Bill Braman
    a. Nigerian Institute for Animal Science MOU proposal
    b. Nominations for Distinguished Professional Animal Scientist (2-3)
18. Adjournment
Appendix B

Treasurer’s Report
Carl Hunt, PhD., PAS, Dipl. ACAN

The year 2010 was another excellent year fiscally for ARPAS. A significant achievement for 2010 was the creation of an actual ARPAS Foundation account with Stifel Nicolaus which has a current balance of $41,000. As of November 30, 2010 (last financial report available at the time of this report) total assets in Stifel Nicolaus accounts for ARPAS stood at $322,3 K which was just about a $1000 increase in net assets compared with the end of 2009. Investments with both the ARPAS general account and the ARPAS Foundation account are devoted approximately 75% for fixed income and 25% equity investments. On November 30, 2010 our investments showed an unrealized investment gain of $5,241; a refreshing reversal of the last two years!

ARPAS continues to “live within our means”. At the time of this report, our year-to-date revenues outpaced expenses by just over $40 K. It would be difficult to speculate our ending status for 2010 but it seems reasonable to assume that we will have finished the year with a net positive balance to add to our net assets. Importantly the PAS Journal is thriving and is financially sound with its expenses and revenues well in balance. Membership services may be the only “soft spot” in the ARPAS budget as we seem to drift marginally lower in regular membership and corporate sponsorship revenue.

On the whole I judge the financial status of the organization to be very sound. The organization benefits from very sound and prudent management by the ARPAS executive group. Thanks to everyone for their great efforts during 2010.

Appendix C

President’s Report
Bill Braman, PhD, PAS

It is a distinct honor to serve as your ARPAS President and to provide you a mid-year update of my term. ARPAS continues to function effectively as an organization that is providing value to its membership. Following are some of the highlights of the organization’s activities and accomplishments since the July Governing Board Meeting.

Recently, ARPAS reached a milestone as we reached 1,600 total members. Kenneth Cummings and the FASS office continue to provide exceptional service to our organization to support our growth. A special “hats off” to FASS Membership Services Coordinator, Yvona Vlach, who has provided great support to our organization as it grows.
I am looking forward to the committee reports and an update on the summaries of the ARPAS survey comments which several committees and I are reviewing. I have tackled the responses to the question “What should be the focus for ARPAS in the next five years?”. After reviewing the comments there are for recurring themes:

- Increase ARPAS Visibility – “Build the Brand” and “Tell the Story”
- More education to membership
- Promote “Science-based Agriculture”
- Professional and pro-active “voice” to address animal welfare, food safety, sustainability, etc.

More detail will be discussed on the conference call.

I have attended and addressed the ARPAS meetings of the California Chapter, the future Northeast Chapter, and will attend the April meeting of the Southern Great Plains Chapter. The Midwest chapter is forming and members are planning in organizing a brief meeting at the Midwest ASAS/ADSA meetings in March. It is encouraging to see how our members are engaged in strengthening our organization and according to the survey place great value on the regional chapters and want more.

The Executive Committee and ARPAS Committees are reviewing the hundreds of written responses that were received from the membership survey conducted earlier this year. Marit Arana will update us on the survey information. Results will help lay the foundation for the future sustainability and growth of ARPAS.

We will have the opportunity to become a truly “international” organization when we discuss the MOU proposal presented to Kenneth Cummings and me by the Nigerian Institute for Animal Science. I look forward to the Governing Council’s comments regarding this potential big step forward.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your ARPAS President. Thanks to all of you who are contributing your time as members of the Governing Council, Committee Leadership, and Affiliate Society representatives to assure that ARPAS is a successful organization.

I look forward to a productive conference call, and enjoy the opportunity to serve as the President of ARPAS.

Appendix D

Executive Vice-President’s Report for 2011
Kenneth R. Cummings, PAS, Dipl. ACAN

The year 2010 was significant because it marked the beginning of our second quarter century as an organization. ARPAS was founded in 1983-84 by members of Animal, Dairy and Poultry Sciences who recognized a need for certification of Professional Animal Scientist.

In 2010, we surpassed 1500 members and ACAS added several new diplomates. We received and approved petitions to form two new ARPAS chapters. Our financial status is secure as we are approaching a reserve of one full year’s needs. The ARPAS Foundation is also beginning to grow its financial base. We are in the process of forming an ARPAS affiliated organization in Nigeria (MOU to be
presented to the GC at this meeting) and Past-President Marit Arana and her strategic planning committee conducted a membership survey to help determine our organization’s direction for the next several years.

Membership-related issues dominate the activities of the ARPAS staff. Yvona Vlach, our Membership Services Coordinator, has completed her first full year on our behalf. She continues to do an outstanding job of managing our membership database, website, examination, and CEU tracking and reporting systems. We had minimal membership issues in 2010 which would indicate that we have great personnel and well-tuned systems. Other FASS staff members provide valuable editorial, accounting and financial reporting, website and database management assistance of which we are grateful.

Some of my daily activities involved communicating with members and prospective members (including international), orchestrating and participating in conference calls, reviewing the website, writing newsletter articles, updating brochures, preparing for meetings, administering exams and evaluating conference and meeting agendas for CEU’s. We also conducted a survey of the insurance needs of our members. The results of this survey will be reported to the GC at the January 2010 conference call.

Frequent communication with members of the Executive Committee and the leadership of ACAS are necessary to insure that our organization is headed in the intended direction and accomplishing its goals. Other key staff members, Dr. Wayne Kellogg, Editor of PAS and Dr. Steve Schmidt, our Examination Coordinator are kept informed of ARPAS activities that may impact their respective areas of responsibility. I also serve as the ARPAS liaison with PAACO and work with our appointed PAACO representatives Drs Terry Mader, Frank Owsley and Ted Friend.

Two new ARPAS chapters were chartered this year. The Northeast and Midwest Chapters are still in a process of organization but have elected officers and begun to plan activities.

ACAS President Mikel and his discipline committees added seven new diplomates to ACAS. Animal Welfare Science, added as a new discipline in 2010 was championed by the late Dr. Stan Curtiss. Congratulations are in order for Dr. Jack Garrett, who was elected as President-Elect of ACAS.

The ARPAS Foundation committee, chaired by Past-President Darrell Johnson, is requesting volunteers to serve on the Foundation Committee to develop fund raising projects and determine uses for the earnings from these funds.

Drs. Irvin Omtvedt, James Williamson and Walter Woods were selected to be the “Distinguished Professional Animal Scientists” for 2010. All three were Presidents of ARPAS with Dr. Woods as the first recorded president (1984-1985). We have now accorded this honor to nine of our past members in recognition of their service to ARPAS and to the profession of Animal Science.

The Treasurer’s report by our Treasurer Dr. Carl Hunt, will verify that ARPAS continues to be in a sound financial condition with a reserve of almost 100% of annual expenditures. Along with Carl, I monitor the ARPAS budget and review ARPAS expenditures and investments.

Meetings that I attended on behalf of ARPAS in 2010 were Mid-Atlantic Nutrition, Tri-State Dairy Nutrition, Cornell and Penn. State Dairy Nutrition Conferences, National Young Farmer Education
Program in Washington DC, the Joint ADSA/ASAS Meetings, and a PAACO Board Meeting in Kansas City. ARPAS exams were given at most of these meetings and sponsors were cultivated.

Congratulation to our incoming officers for 2011: Dr. John Wagner as President-Elect of ARPAS and Drs. Joe Harrison and Peter Erickson as Directors for the West and Northeast, respectively.

Thanks to all ARPAS and ACAS members who gave of their time to work on behalf of this organization in 2009. Thank you for allowing me to work with Dr. Braman, the officers and GC members of ARPAS and to be the representative of ARPAS to the world at large.

Appendix E

Federation of Animal Science Societies Report
Presented to the American Registry of Professional Animal Scientists Governing Council
January 2011

FASS Operations update
We have welcomed several new staff members since reporting in July. Jorge Cazares has joined the FASS team as Graphic Designer. Nancy Hayes started with the FASS Membership Department in August 2010 and serves as an Executive Assistant/Meeting Planner for AMSA. Beth Schafer also began work in August and serves as the Executive Assistant/Event Planner for PSA and IETS. Finally, Matthew Fritts is our most recent addition. Matthew just started this month as a part-time IT Assistant. We are excited about the fresh eyes and new ideas that all of these individuals will bring to FASS.

FASS Science Policy Update (report from the FASS Science Policy Committee)
Committee Membership (n=12)
Voting members
- Mary Delany - UC Davis, Chair (PSA), year 2
- Sheila Scheideler - University Nebraska (PSA), year 1
- Jim Pettigrew - University Illinois (ASAS), year 2
- Dean Hawkins - West Texas A&M University (ASAS), year 1
- Joe O'Donnell - California Dairy Research Foundation (ADSA), year 2
- Karen Plaut - Purdue University (ADSA), year 1
- Hugh Chester-Jones - University Minnesota (Midwest Consortium), year 2
- Mike Lacy - University Georgia, FASS Board Liaison (PSA)
Non-voting members
- Gary Hartnell - Monsanto, Past Chair (ADSA), year 2
- Jamie Ritter - FASS Managing Director
- Lowell Randel – The Randel Group, FASS Science Policy Director
- Walt Smith - Mallard Group, FASS Science Policy Director

FASS SP and Washington DC Progress on 2010-2011 Plan
- Policy Statements Adopted by the Board
  - Nutrition and Health Provided by Animal Products Adopted on August 12, 2010
  - Farm Animal Well-Being Adopted on August 12, 2010
  - Preserving the Benefits of Antibiotics for People and Animals Adopted on August 12, 2010
Policy Statements in development
- Biotechnology (Karen Plaut)
- Bioenergy (Hugh Chester-Jones)
- Water (Dean Hawkins)
- Intl Ag/Ag Development (Jim Pettigrew)
  - A “Climate” policy statement was considered, but tabled for 2010-11

Webinars
- Webinar “Antibiotics in People and Animals” was organized and executed with the maximum limit of viewers (100) met. As result of the high level of interest the Webinar was posted on the FASS website for viewing. Numerous groups have posted this opportunity on their websites and newsletters.

Government Impact
- Statement and Support Letters and Oral Statements completed
  - FDA letter supporting process and science-based decision making (transgenic salmon controversy) http://www.fass.org/page.asp?pageID=393
  - FASS letter to National Institutes of Health in support of the FASS Ag Guide. Similar letters sent by the American Farm Bureau Federation and the Farm Animal Welfare Coalition
  - FY 2011 Appropriations
    - AFRI Coalition letters
    - National Coalition for Food and Agriculture Research letter
  - Presidential Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) (Lowell provided oral comments; FASS-SP written comments also submitted) January 2011; FASS and founding societies also listed on AFRI Coalition submission to PCAST
- Development/input for the Farm Foundation, Riley Memorial Foundation, Institute of Food Technologists and FASS sponsored Roundtable on Agriculture Research and Development
- FAIR 2012 Process: Lowell and Walt, along with members of the FASS SP Committee have participated in the formation of a strategy to move forward with the process of identifying animal agriculture research priorities. Lowell and Walt have secured representation from the Animal Agriculture Coalition and the American Veterinary Medical Association to participate in the FAIR Executive Committee

Communications
- Lowell and Walt provided timely updates on issues as well as requests for FASS participation as needed.
- Lowell provided 6 monthly reports (see http://www.fass.org/news.asp)
- Lowell and Walt participated in monthly Animal Agriculture Coalition meetings on behalf of FASS
- Lowell participated in National C-FAR activities and serves as a Board member on behalf of FASS
- Lowell participated in the Association of Public and Land Grant Universities Academic Programs Summit planning committee on behalf of FASS

FASS-SP Activities July 2010-December 2010
July 2010 Meeting at JAM, Denver CO
- Review of year 1 (Discussion: what worked, what didn’t, what needed change)
- 2010-11 draft work plan established
- Monthly 90 min Teleconference calls (Minutes posted)
  - August, Sept, Oct 27, Nov 22, Dec 20

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie Ritter
FASS Managing Director

Appendix F

Report of the Editor of Professional Animal Scientist
Wayne Kellogg, Editor-in-Chief

The 26th Volume of the Professional Animal Scientist was completed recently with 671 pages. This issue was smaller than the 684, 742, and 815 pages in the previous three issues. There are probably several reasons, including financial cut-backs at some research institutions. Manuscript submissions were reduced, the rejection rate was greater, and we had tighter adherence to our publication schedule than previous years. We seem to be recovering. While there were only 10 articles in the February (2011) Issue, we already have 10 accepted for the April Issue. There are 15 manuscripts that have been reviewed and are being revised by authors, and there have been 29 new submissions that are in the first phase of review.

I would like to publish at least 6 review articles each year, so if you have suggestions please refer potential authors to me. I appreciate Dr. Paul Beck for referring 3 review articles that were published (in 2010) on: “Effects of Biological Nitrogen Fixation and Nutrient Cycling on Stocking Strategies for Cow-Calf and Stocker Programs”, “Utilization of Stockpiled Tall Fescue in Winter Grazing Systems for Beef Cattle”, and Economic Evaluation of Cost-Cutting Forage Strategies for Cow-Calf Operations on Improved Pastures”. Also, “Urea Feeding to Dairy Cattle: a Historical Perspective and Review”, and “Preweaning, Postweaning, and Carcass Trait Comparisons for Progeny Sired by Subtropically Adapted Beef Sire Breeds at Various US Locations” were submitted and published. Additionally, there were 62 research articles and 13 case studies that were printed during 2010. The average time required was 43 days to the first decision and 83 days from submission to the final decision (acceptance or rejection) of a manuscript. There were 38 articles concerning the beef industry, 14 articles related to swine, 12 about dairy cattle topics, 5 applied to horses, and 11 articles were about general topics or forages. It should be noted that there was continued interest from equine researchers this year.

Dr. Robert Goodband, Kansas State University, has begun as Associate Editor and assigns reviewers and oversees the reviews of papers relating to the swine industry.

Board action needed:
1) The estimate from Manuscript Central is $600 (4 hours of work) to retrofit and accommodate an Associate Editor. This is needed to allow assignment of reviewers and receipt of completed reviews, but the final decision to accept or reject will come back to the Editor-in-Chief.

2) New members of the Editorial Board who have agreed to terms of 2011 to 2013 are: Drs. Paul A. Beck, Arkansas; Glenn C. Duff, Montana; and A. Jud Heinrichs, Pennsylvania. All have served previously but have had at least a 1-yr ‘rest’. As the Board approved, the Equine Group are being given set terms of service (ending year in parentheses): Drs. Robert J. Coleman, Kentucky (13); Steven E. Duren, Idaho (12); D. W. Freeman, Oklahoma (11); Brian D. Nielsen, Michigan (13); Gary D. Potter, Texas (12); and William A. Schurg, Arizona (11). All 6 are ARPAS members; whereas all who were dropped are not members of ARPAS.

3) Susan Pollock asked me to talk about adding DOIs (digital object identifiers) to PAS. There is an annual fee of $500 plus $1 per article/item/DOI, but the DOI gives PAS additional linking and exposure on the WWW. The DOI serves as a way to cite the articles (can be used in lieu of vol/issue/page) and is a permanent link to an article, regardless of where the article is hosted. A benefit of the DOI is that the publisher maintains where the DOIs point to so that if a journal’s host changes, the DOI links are still live. As we move to an increasingly digital world and look to when there may not be print, DOIs are important links/metadata for journals to include on each article. I do not have a recommendation at this time.

Appendix G

Membership Report
Joe Harrison, PhD, PAS

Paid Through 2010 as of January 4, 2011

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92% Renewal thus far in 2010 based on 1652 Total ARPAS Members with 1514 Renewed as of 1/4/2011

New Members since July 1, 2009

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2009-10 New Member/Applicant Information:
??? Total New Applicants in 2009-10
134 Completed Memberships as of 01/4/2011
??? Pending Memberships

Appendix H
ARPAS Professional Relations Committee Report

The Professional Relations Committee has been somewhat inactive since the midyear meeting in Denver. However, a primary focus of this committee is to get and maintain corporate sponsorship. As of December 2010 we have four Platinum, 11 Gold, one Silver and three Bronze corporate sponsors. Contributions from the sponsors currently sit at $29,000. We updated the sponsorship letter last fall and it went out in the fall mailing for membership updates. Yvona has also updated the response letter sent to all participating sponsors thanking them for their contributions. A letter to members, under the guise of a committee report, was included in the winter ARPAS newsletter. Our objective was to try and stimulate members to encourage their parent companies to become corporate sponsors. We are uncertain of the level of understanding in our members that corporate sponsorship provides free memberships according to the level of giving. It would be helpful if each of the Governing Council members would highlight this point at any regional meetings in which they participate. Other activities this year were to investigate the addition of a Facebook page to improve our contact with younger members. After much discussion the idea was tabled for lack of interest and time available to maintain the site. However, as other organizations add Facebook sites we may want to revisit this idea. We also looked into the development of a short radio ad or set of information bites that could be used in company fliers. We found that the California Chapter developed a radio ad but since it was not co-sponsored by the National ARPAS Chapter we are not permitted to its use. Hopefully 2011 will permit us more time to accomplish some of our goals to improve our exposure, reach out to other species groups and grow our corporate sponsorships.

Respectfully submitted,

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Appendix I

Examination Board
Steve Schmidt, Ph.D., PAS

Since the annual meeting in Denver, the Companion Animal, Lab Animal, and Poultry exam question data bases have been updated. The chair is working on reviewing and categorizing the updated questions. The study guides for these topics also need to be developed. The chair would like to thank Ryan Yamka, Bernard Doerning, and Philip Smith, respectively, for their time and effort in helping update those data bases.

ARPAS exams were administered 152 times during 2010. Overall, 68% of exam takers passed. This compares with 430 exams given and 47% passage rate in 2009. The main difference in the two years is that fewer companies attempted to get their associates ARPAS certified. The table below gives a breakdown by subject area.
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The chair would like to remind anyone who hears or receives comments about exams or exam questions to please pass them on to me or the ARPAS office so we can address any problems.

Appendix J

ASAS Report to ARPAS Governing Council

Dr. Terry L. Mader, PAS, Dipl ACAN

In 2010, ASAS had the largest Joint Annual Meeting in history. Five societies participated with over 4,600 attendees and more symposia than ever before. In 2010, the Journal of Animal Science published 4,452 pages. In 2011, ASAS will launch a new magazine in partnership with EAAP and CSAS. In 2010 total ASAS membership increased by 4.3% compared with 2009. Since the 2008 release of the ASAS membership-centric strategic plan, ASAS total membership has increased by 13.75%. Graduate student membership increased by 4.41% in 2010 compared with 2009. Undergraduate student membership increased by 22.0%. Recently, the Federation of Animal Science Societies announced the 2011 FASS Congressional Science Fellowship invitation for applications. The purpose of the fellowship is to make practical contributions to the more effective use of scientific and technical knowledge in government, to demonstrate the value of science-government interaction, and to provide a unique learning experience for the recipient. The fellow selected will spend one year working as a special legislative assistant on the staff of a member of Congress or of a Congressional committee, advising on a wide range of scientific issues as they pertain to public policy. Finally, in 2011, ASAS is planning to offer new programs including an inaugural South American international conference, monthly web chats, small issue-oriented scientific conferences, and a web-based Educators’ Toolbox.