CSSA Board of Directors Meeting  
Thursday, Nov. 6, 2014, 9:00am (Pacific) Long Beach, CA

The meeting was called to order by CSSA President David Baltensperger. Board members present:

David D. Baltensperger, CSSA President  
Mark A. Brick, CSSA Past President  
Roch Gaussoin, CSSA President-Elect  
Georgia Eizenga, C-1 Board Rep.  
Larry C. Purcell, C-2 Board Rep.  
Kraig L. Roozeboom, C-3 Board Rep.  
Steve Malone, C-4 Board Rep.  
Eric Watkins, C-5 Board Rep.  
Yoana C. Newman, C-6 Board Rep.  
Mark E. Sorrells, C-7 Board Rep.  
Gary A. Pederson, C-8 Board Rep.  
Shannon Pinson, C-9 Board Rep.  
Mary Beth Kirkham, B&F Chair, ex-officio  
Ellen Bergfeld, CEO ex-officio  
Mike Strauss, Program Planning Officer, ex-officio  

Emilio Oyarzabal, Industry Board Rep., ex-officio  
Michael Grusak, Incoming President-Elect  
E. Charles Brummer, Editor-in-Chief, ex-officio  
Also participating:  
Aaron Patton, Incoming C-5 Board Rep.  

C003 Board of Directors
1. David Baltensperger acknowledged the CSSA Board members whose terms end in 2014 and thanked them for their service: Mark Brick, Eric Watkins, Larry Purcell, and Mike Strauss. David Baltensperger welcomed CSSA Board members whose terms begin in 2015: Roch Gaussoin (President), Aaron Patton, Diane Rowland, and Mark Brick (Program Planning Officer).
2. Consensus to approve the Nov. 6, 2014 agenda.
3. Consensus to approve the Oct. 21, 2014 Conference Call Minutes.

C211 Budget and Finance
1. Chief Financial Officer Wes Meixelsperger presented an overview of CSSA Financials including an overview of the budgetary process. ACTION: Motion from the B&F Committee to approve the 2015 Budget. Unanimous approval.
2. Dues Discussion.
   • ACTION: Motion by Kraig Roozeboom and seconded by Steve Malone to adjust the membership form to collect the data, asking for a member’s primary, secondary, and tertiary Society. Consensus that we will need to communicate this clearly as to why we are asking for this information, and how dues will be divided. Friendly amendment by Kraig Roozeboom that the form should allow for the ability to make equal selections. Unanimously approved.
   • ACTION: Motion by Kraig Roozeboom to allow our Executive Committee to participate in dues discussion, and leave the actual dues amounts to their discretion. Georgia Eizenga seconded. Unanimously approved.

C301 Editorial Affairs, Policies, and Practices Committee
Director of Publications Bill Cook gave a publications presentation, including an update on the Digital Library and book publishing.
1. ACTION: Motion by Kraig Roozeboom to accept CSSA Editor-in-Chief Charlie Brummer’s recommendation of Peter Thomison’s appointment as co-editor of the Crop Section of Crop, Forage, and Turfgrass Management. Seconded by Gary Pederson. Unanimous approval. David Baltensperger requested that a call for CSSA Editor-in-Chief be published in CSA News to replace Charlie Brummer whose term ends on 12/31/2015.

International Year of Pulses
Chair of the International Year of Pulses Task Force Mark Brick presented a brief update, including how we can partner with other organizations to promote the IYP 2016 and the many activities. They may pattern it after the International Year of the Soils in 2015.

C101 Nominations Committee
David Baltensperger reviewed the schedule for the 2015 ASA Election, noting that candidates’ names for the following positions are to be submitted by Nov. 20 to the current board rep and Sara Uttech:

- CSSA President-Elect: (2 candidates needed)
- CSSA Division Chairs-Elect: (2 candidates needed)
- Division C-3: Board Representative (2 candidates needed); Division C-6: Board Representative (2 candidates needed); Division C-7: Board Representative (2 candidates needed)

2015 CSSA Board Meetings
- Sara Uttech will send out a Doodle Poll with dates/times to hold calls in 2015, based on Roch Gaussoin's schedule.
- CSSA will hold their annual Spring Board Meeting in May and will open up the August B&F Meeting to whoever from the Board wishes to attend
- Next CSSA Board Meeting: Tuesday Dec. 16, 2014 at 9:30am Central