



Annual Business Meeting
October 16, 2017

Call to Order

President Hindle called the 65th Annual Convention Business Meeting to order at 10:52 am.

Approval of Agenda

President Hindle asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the agenda. With no additions, deletions or corrections noted, President Hindle asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Duane Klundt provided the first. Miles Rogers provided the second. Agenda approved.

Minutes of July 2016 Business Meeting

President Hindle referred the membership to the copy of the 2016 Annual Business Meeting minutes that were included in the registration material.

President Hindle asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the July 2016 Annual Business Meeting Minutes. With nothing noted, President Hindle asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the July 2016 Atlantic Seed Association's Annual Business Meeting.

Steve Hardy provided the first. Steph Breckenridge provided the second. Minutes accepted.

Executive Director's Report

- Executive Director Bohrer referred to her report included in the registration material. Executive Director Bohrer reminded the ASA that part of the job is to let you know what the inner workings of the finances of the Association. ED Bohrer informed the members she felt they are in good hands with the Executive Committee. ED Bohrer thanked Burlingham Seed for the event the day before; for Mountain View's sponsorship for that evening's reception, as well as all the members who provided sponsorships for the success of the 65th Annual Convention.

ASA Committee Reports

Audit Committee Report

Pam Steiner, Auditing Committee Chair, provided the following report on the status of the financial records of ASA.

2016 – Auditing report

The bank records of the First National Bank and the Northwestern Mutual Investment accounts of The Atlantic Seed Association for the Period of January 1, 2016 thru December 31, 2016 have been reviewed and audited with all records and accounts in balance.

The 2016 Federal Tax return was also audited and only a three (.03) cent mistake was discovered. Other than this three (.03) cent mistake the return was found to be compliant.

2017 – Auditing report (to date)

I have also audited the First National Bank and Northwestern Mutual Investment accounts for the period of January 1, 2017 thru September 30, 2017.

All records of accounts show them balanced and well maintained.

There was a \$5000.00 withdrawal from the Northwestern Mutual Investment account and deposited into the First National Bank account to cover the website rebuild project which was approved by the Executive committee.

2017 Convention final report

I would also like to report that the records of the First National Bank and Northwestern Mutual funds are well maintained by our Executive Director – Carrie Bohrer, with every account transaction fully documented. Carrie is also very quick to answer e-mails and telephone calls with any questions I may have and she is a pleasure to work with.

Respectfully submitted,

**Pam Steiner – Auditor
Atlantic Seed Association**

Old Business

2017 Convention Update

President Hindle provided the membership with an update on the 2017 Convention.

New Business

ASA Update

Any Ernst, NE Regional VP of the ASTA provided the membership with an update on nationwide and international issues facing the seeding industry. This updated included information on Palmer Amaranyth; Tomatosphere and labor issues Oregon was facing.

ASA Website Redesign

Member at Large (soon to be Treasurer) Zenon Lis presented the membership with an update on the process the ASA's Executive Committee approved at the end of March 2017, for a re-design and re-build of the ASA's website. Zenon previewed the latest mock up for the members.

Grant Committee Update

Vice President Steve Hardy provided the membership with an update on the ASA grant committee. Steve reported the ASA received no applications to consider for a grant, therefore no grant will be awarded for 2017.

2018 Convention Update

Vice President Hardy presented the membership with the following report on plans for the 66th Annual Convention in 2018. President Hardy announced the dates of the 66th Annual Convention will be: October 6, 7, & 8 2018. Vice President Hardy also informed the membership of preliminary plans for speakers and presentations for the 2018 Convention.

Production Reports

Past President Stephanie Breckenridge provided the membership an update on production for Natives.

Association Member Executive Committee Vegetable and Flower John Wahlert provided the membership with a report on production of Flowers and Vegetables.

Member at Large Out of Area Duane Klundt reported on Cover Crop Production:

Member at Large Zenon Lis provided a production report on turf to the membership.

Nominations

Pas President Stephanie Breckenridge presented the slate of nominees on behalf of Murray Wingate.

For President: Steve Hardy

For Vice President: Jason McMillan

For Secretary: Jon Straughn

For Treasurer: Zenon Lis

For Member at Large: Marke Laube

For Member at Large Out of Area: Duane Klundt

Assoc. Member Turf and Forage: Dean Browning

Assoc. Veg. and Flower: John Wahlert
Past President: Nikki Hindle
Exec. Director: Carrie Bohrer

President Hindle asked for a motion to accept the slate of officers as presented.

Mike Steiner provided the first. Steve Hardy provided the second. Members presented a unanimous voice vote to elect the slate presented.

Pass the Gavel

Immediate Past President Hindle remarked about her year and almost a half, as ASA's President. Hindle stressed to the membership the importance of attending the conventions, and sending in ideas and concepts the members think are relevant to the industry.

Immediate Past President Hindle invited Steve Hardy, President, up to the podium. President Hardy thanked the membership for being elected. He informed the membership that his intention is to keep the Convention educational and hopes to put together a good program for the fall.

Adjournment

President Hardy asked for a motion to adjourn the 65th Annual Convention.

Duane Klundt provided the first. Nikki Hindle provided the second.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50am.