

**Minutes of the American Oat Workers Conference Business Meeting
July 16, 2014, Ottawa, Ontario**

The meeting was called to order.

Minutes of the last meeting of the AOWC, in 2010 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, were approved.

The agenda for the current meeting was approved.

The following resolutions were moved, seconded, and approved.

1) Regarding AOW Executive membership, be it resolved i) That Charlene Wight assumes responsibility for the Oat Newsletter from Jean-Luc Jannink. The group thanked Jean-Luc for his service. ii) That Kathy Klos be Western USA representative. iii) That Md Ali Babar be Southern USA representative in place of Amir Ibrahim. iv) That Jose Costa be USDA-ARS representative in place of Kay Simmons. v) That Aaron Beattie be representative for Western Canada in place of Curt McCartney. vi) That Michèle Marcotte be AAFC representative. vii) That Eduardo Espitia Rangel be invited to represent Mexico. viii) That Eric Ouellette serve as member-at-large. ix) That a new Executive Member should represent oat growers and that this person should be the person occupying the office of President of the Prairie Oat Growers Association. x) That Fred Kolb be asked to serve as North Central representative in place of Deon Stuthman.

* A table at the end of this document summarizes the proposed membership.

2) Be it resolved that Kathy Klos and Rick Jellen serve as Co-Chair elect for the next AOWC, to be held in the Western USA.

3) Be it resolved that the American Oat Workers Conference shall sponsor an on-line Oat Newsletter at the web address “oatnews.org”, which will direct users to a newsletter portal to be maintained by the USDA/GrainGenes. Members of the Conference are encouraged to submit information about their current research programs to the Editor of the Oat Newsletter. The Newsletter shall also serve as a vehicle of publication for the minutes of the business meetings of the Conference and of the American Oat Workers Conference Committee as well as for Committee Reports and other Conference notes. Abstracts of papers presented at the AOW Conference shall also be published in the Newsletter, but the **publication of full reports will be encouraged following each conference. Contributions from other conferences will be encouraged** so as to promote the dissemination of oat research information and news. An Oat Newsletter Editorial Board including at least one industry rep is to be appointed by the AOWC Chair.

4) Be it resolved that the complete set of back issues of the Oat Newsletter will be made available online at the new Oat Newsletter site. Be it further resolved that we thank Mark

Sorrells for providing a full set of back issues and PepsiCo for sponsoring the digitization of these back issues.

6) Be it resolved that the wording of the citation policy for the Newsletter will be revised to read as follows: “Please contact the corresponding author before citing or linking to any article in the online newsletter. Newsletter reports are often preliminary works, and the author may be able to provide more up-to-date references.”

7) Be it resolved that a Newsletter Editorial Board will be added to the AOW, to be chaired by the Newsletter Editor (Charlene Wight) with inaugural members Gabe Gusmini, Shea Miller, Nick Tinker, Steve Harrison, Marcelo Pacheco, Gerard Lazo, Jean-Luc Jannink, Pamela Zwer, Catherine Howarth, and Zongwen Zhang.

8) Be it resolved that the AOW recommends that the International Oat Committee constitute a Gene Nomenclature Committee to update the oat gene catalogue. It was recommended to the International Oat Workers that Mike McMullen Chair the committee with Curt McCartney, Robert Park, James Chong, Jessica Schlueter, and Toshinobo Morikawa as members.

9) Be it resolved that the Oat Germplasm Committee be co-chaired by Harold Bockelman and Axel Diederichson with members Mike Bonman, Mike McMullen, Kathy Klos, Jean-Luc Jannink, Paul Murphy, Melanie Caffé-Treml, and Jose Costa

10) Whereas Grain Millers, General Mills, PepsiCo/Quaker, Prairie Oat Growers Association, PhytoGene Resources, Richardson, the North American Millers’ Association, Secan, LG Genomics, and AAFC have generously provided financial support for this conference; therefore, be it resolved that the Conference participants gratefully acknowledge these contributions.

11) Whereas this has been an enlightening and highly enjoyable American Oat Workers Conference, held in the lovely city of Ottawa, and whereas this success of the conference has been largely due to the excellent organization provided by Nick Tinker and his many colleagues; therefore, be it resolved that the American Oat Workers Conference participants express their sincerest appreciation to Nick and colleagues for their efforts in hosting the conference.

12) Whereas the AOW have recognized three outstanding lifetime service awardees; therefore, be it resolved that the AOW congratulates the recipients, Drs. Mike McMullen, Luiz Federizzi, and Herb Ohm for their many years of outstanding service to the oat community.

The meeting was adjourned.

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