



WSWS Officer and Committee Report Annual Board Meeting – March 7, 2016

Office or Committee Name: Nominations Committee

Officer or Chairperson Name: D. Chad Cummings

Date of Preparation (include year): March 1, 2016

Committee Activities during the Year:

Traditionally the Nominations Committee seeks candidates to run for office from the private and public sectors in alternating years. This rotation is not mandatory, however, since there may not be enough agreeing to run from the sector for a given year.

For the 2016 positions, potential candidates for President-elect, and WSWS Secretary were recruited from the private sector. Research Chair-elect, and Education and Regulatory Chair-elect were recruited from both the private and public sectors.

President-elect: Three were asked and two accepted – Pat Clay and Monte Anderson. Monte Anderson, Bayer Crop Science, was elected.

Secretary: Three were asked and two accepted – D. Chad Cummings and Josh Adkins. D. Chad Cummings, Dow AgroSciences, was elected.

Research Chair-elect: Two were asked and accepted – Brad Hansen and Gustavo Sbatella. Brad Hansen, UC-Davis, was elected.

Education and Regulatory Chair-elect: Four were asked and two accepted – Dirk Baker and Travis Bean. Dirk Baker, Campbell Scientific, was elected.

Many thanks to the committee, Phil Banks, and the WSWS board for helping me with this most important task!

Recommendations for Board Action:

Urge committee involvement early on, and utilize the recruitment lists used recently for 2017 nominations pools, in addition to new recruits.

Budget Needs: none

Suggestions for the Future: Survey the members at least every other year asking in what elected position they'd be willing to serve. Also ask in what other capacity they would like to serve the WSWS. Have the Secretary keep the results of these surveys for the Nominations Committee Chair.

Current Committee Members:

Chad Cummings (2016)

Scott Nissen (2017)

Steve Eskelson (2018)

Drew Lyon, Past-President

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