



**WSWS Officer and Committee Report  
2020 Annual Meeting – Maui, Hawaii**

**Office or Committee Name:** Fellows and Honorary Members

**Officer or Chairperson Name:** Jill Schroeder

**Date of Preparation (include year):** February 11, 2020

**Activities during the year:**

Two nominations were submitted to the committee for Fellow Award (one for Public Sector and one for Private Sector) and one was carried over from 2018. The committee recommended Monte Anderson from the private sector and Traci Rauch from the public sector for Board approval. The third candidate will be held over for consideration in 2021 (final year). One nomination for Honorary Member was submitted to the committee. The committee recommended Dr. William Price for Board approval.

**Recommendations for Board Action:**

1. Please update the website to post the correct committee list (the 2018-2019 list is currently posted) and post the updated Bylaws of the society. Please note that the following change to Section 1 was requested in the committee's 2019 report to insure that fellows have served the society as well as the profession of weed science:

[Section 1. Fellows of the Society are members who have given meritorious service to the Society and in weed science, and who are elected by two-thirds majority of the Board of Directors. Not more than two Fellows shall be selected each year. A cumulative list of Fellows shall be published each year in the Program and in the Proceedings.]

2. Revise the operating guide, items 2 and following (numbering needs to be changed accordingly), as follows to discourage submissions by current committee members (the proposed change is underlined):

2. Current members of the Fellows and Honorary Member Committee are discouraged from directly nominating candidates for these awards. The members may assist with recruiting nominations and with preparing the nomination packets but, if at all possible, should recruit another member to submit the nomination. If no one is willing to assist, the member may

submit the nomination but should work with the committee chair and board representative to recruit a current Fellow to assist with the selection process in order to avoid a conflict of interest in the work of the committee.

3. “Accept submission of nominees for Fellows and Honorary Member. Packets of the nominees' biographical data and write-ups will remain in the active file for three (3) years even if the packets are not updated annually by the nominator. The committee must encourage nominators to update nominees’ packets annually. Packets should be submitted by December 1.”

**Budget Needs:** none

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