Minutes of NC-131

Minneapolis, Minnesota

October 5-6, 2001

Administrative Advisor:            Chair:
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NCA-6 Liaison:                     Secretary:
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Members in Attendance:
Elton Aberle, Wisconsin (Admin. Advisor); William Dayton, Michael White, Marcia Hathaway – Minnesota; David E. Gerrard – Indiana; Darrel Goll – Arizona; Marion Greaser – Wisconsin; Ted Huiatt, Jim Reecy – Iowa; Brad Johnson – Kansas; Don Beermann (Dept. Head Rep.), Mike Zeece – Nebraska; Sandra Velleman – Ohio; Douglas McFarland – South Dakota; Matt Doumit, Catherine Ernst – Michigan; John Killefer, West Virginia

Members Absent:
Everett Bandman – California; Katherine Byrne – Washington; Charles Carpenter – Utah; Michael Dodson – Washington; Sally Johnson – Pennsylvania; Larry Miller, USDA (CSRESS representative); Mohammad Koohmarai – USDA ARS USMARC; Nancy Shappell – USDA ARS BRL, Fargo, ND
The annual meeting of the NC-131 technical committee was held in Minneapolis, Minnesota on October 5 - 6, 2001. The meeting was called to order by committee chair, Bill Dayton. Dr. Ponce de León (Head, Department of Animal Science) welcomed the committee to the University of Minnesota campus. David Gerrard assumed the duties of Secretary in place of Alan Grant who was unable to attend due to his responsibilities as interim department head at Purdue University. In addition, David Gerrard was elected to chair the 2002 meeting. The committee meeting will be held in West Lafayette, Indiana on October 4 – 5, 2002. Dr. Matt Doumit (Michigan) was unanimously elected Secretary for the 2002 meeting.

Elton Aberle, Administrative Advisor, spoke to the committee about the current status of the budget being considered at the national level. Lack of participation by Mohammad Koohmaraie (USDA ARS USMARC) was discussed and it was suggested that numerous members discuss with Mohammad his intentions about remaining part of the committee. Furthermore, discussions were entertained regarding the addition of Oregon and Idaho to the committee. If formal application is made by either of these entities, the committee agreed to vote via email.

Station reports were presented and are summarized in the annual report of the committee.

The business meeting was adjourned October 5, 2001 at 11:45 am.

David Gerrard
NC-131 Secretary

Elton Aberle
NC-131 Administrative Advisor