

北美华人土壤及植物学者协会

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**2012 Annual Meeting Minutes**

The ACSPSNA 2012 Annual Meeting was held on Monday, October 22, 2012 in the Duke Energy Convention Center, Cincinnati, Ohio. Dr. Yuncong Li presided the meeting. The meeting minutes are as following:

1. Welcomed members and congratulated our members who received awards from tri-societies this year
  - a. 2012 fellows: Baoshan Xing: ASA, SSSA; Dong Wang: SSSA; Minghua Zhang: SSSA; Bao-Luo Ma: CSSA
  - b. 2012 Environmental Quality Research Award: Liwang Ma
2. Briefly explained ASA Kingenta Ag Sci Award and introduced 2012 recipient: Dr. Robert Horton, Distinguished Professor of Soil Science from Agronomy Department, Iowa State University. Dr. Horton gave a brief speech about his collaborative activities in China.
3. Dr. Wengui Yan briefly explained the establishment of ASA Tengtou Ag Sci Award and introduced 2012 recipient: Dr. Guihua Bai, Research Molecular Geneticist in USDA and Professor in the Agronomy Department at Kansas State University. Dr. Bai gave a brief speech about his collaborative activities in China.
4. Introduced first recipient of ACSPSNA Distinguished Career Award: Dr. Baoshan Xing, Professor and Environmental and Soil Chemist in the Stockbridge School of Agriculture, College of Natural Sciences at the University of Massachusetts.
5. Dr. Yuncong Li presented annual report of activities:
  - a. Established ASA Tengtou Ag Sci Award (\$26k)
  - b. Established 3 ACSPSNA awards (\$2k)
  - c. Developed the selection criteria and procedure for the Distinguished Career Award by the committee chaired by Dr. Weigui Yan
  - d. Developed the selection criteria and procedure for the Young Scientist Award by the committee chaired by Dr. Baoshan Xing
  - e. Developed the selection criteria and procedure for the Excellent Graduate Student by the committee chaired by Dr. Bingru Huang
  - f. Established US-Sino Agricultural Research Community (\$2k) led by Dr. Zhenli He
  - g. Recruited three life time membership
  - h. Updated ACSPSNA website
  - i. Recruited a sponsor for the dinner
6. Dr. Guanglong (Gary) Feng presented the financial report. The balance of ACSPSNA account by Oct 6, 2012 was \$3277.50.
7. The president gavel was not passed to new president, Dr. Qingren Wang because he could not attend this meeting
8. New business

- a. Dr. Qingwu Xue, Chair of ASA Tengtou Agri. Sci. Award committee encourages more nominations for both Tengtou and Kingenta awards
  - b. The motion to keep ACSPSNA Young Scientist Award and Excellent Graduate Student Award was passed. Members suggested the association should distributed the award information earlier and many different way, such as posting on ACS newsletter and send emails to graduate coordinators in departments
  - c. The motion for asking members to design a logo for our association was not passed.
  - d. The motion was passed for developing detail description of a fundraising committee. The establishing the committee should be voted in next meeting
9. Dr. Guihua Bai was nominated and elected unanimously as the Secretary/president-elect for ACSPSNA. Dr. Yuncong Li was appointed as a treasurer.
10. Dinner at Washington Platform Saloon & Restaurant was sponsored by Shandong Agricultural University Fertilizer Science Technology Co., Ltd (we have not received the fund from the company yet)(43 members attended the dinner)
11. Other notes which were not discussed at the meeting:
- a. Ms. Ailan Zeng (azeng@uark.edu), PhD student at the university of Arkansas voluntarily to offer help for setting up Facebook and QQ group for the association
  - b. Suggesting to add a second VP as a graduate student
  - c. Drs. H.H.Cheng and Baoshan Xing have become life time members