

President Elect's report for June 18, 2007 and the Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Society of Animal Science

At the Executive Meeting in February it was determined that there were concerns about the awards lunch being scheduled after the annual banquet. Thus some negotiations were undertaken with Dr. Jim House and the venue was changed to the Wednesday Lunch which would be on the afternoon of the banquet. From e-mail discussions it was agreed that representatives of the sponsors would be invited to both the Awards Lunch and the Banquet. The President of CSAS, Dr. M. Dugan, has graciously accepted to announce the winners of the four principal awards at the Banquet and there may be some opportunities for photographs (some one bring a camera).

The AGM will be held the following afternoon at lunch time and the student awards will be presented during the AGM. These include the first, second and third prizes for the oral and poster presentations. At the end of the AGM the new CSAS executive could be announced. It was decided at the Executive meeting that the award plaques would be prepared at Lethbridge. AB and upon receipt of the award information the order for the award plaques has been placed.

Although it is down to the wire we are awaiting the result of the application made to ACAAF for funds. Thanks to Kees Plaizier, this application was made prior to April 1, 2007, to meet the ACAAF deadline, and the result would be announced in early June. The application was made to Pillar -3 of the program and even if we have partial success it would aid our Conference fund for future years. I would like to urge our executive to apply to this source of funds until the program exists, and probably the application should be made sooner than we did this year.

The World Congress on Animal Production has an active website <http://www.wcap2008.co.za/> and a call for abstracts has been posted. Although the conference is general in nature there is a lot of opportunity to meet members from other Societies of Animal Science, who work mostly in livestock production aspect of animal science. This meeting is held at exotic locations and in 2008 it is in Cape Town, South Africa.

Wish all of you a good meeting in Winnipeg with the other two societies.

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