NC-213 Marketing and Delivery of Quality Cereals and Oilseeds
Committee Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Bill Ravlin, Mark Casada, Terry Arbogast, Bob Smigelski, Lloyd Bullerman, Tim Herrman, Ken Schneeberger, Dirk Maier, Florence Dunkel, Don Wicklow, Linda Mason, Marvin Paulsen, Rich Pratt, Charles Hurburgh, Don Koeltzow, Eluned Jones, Mike Montross

The meeting was opened by Mark Casada, chair of NC-213 for 2001. He reminded the committee that the minutes of the 2000 NC-213 business meeting were available on the NC-213 website.

Bill Ravlin updated the group on the financial status of the Anderson endowment. The current account balance was ~$350,000. However, $100,00 are earmarked for the new Anderson Team Award, and ~$150,000 are earmarked for the second year of the current Anderson Research grants. The endowment accrues ~$200,000 in interest each year. Thus, a new round of the regular grant competition will be announced later this year for 2002-2003. The group raised the issue that the amount of $15,000 per year has been the same for many years, and that it was not enough to support a typical half-time graduate student. The suggestion was made to raise the award to $20,000 per year instead.

Bill Ravlin shared that during the current round, five Anderson research grant awards of $15,000 each were made. Each award PI reported at this year’s annual meeting. The checks for second year were released in late December 2000 after first year progress had been reported to the Coordinator’s office. He informed the group that Tim Herrman of KSU and Dirk Maier of Purdue University had received the first Anderson Team Award. The project involved several states (including Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota). Tim Herrman briefly summarized the project objectives.

Bill Ravlin shared that NC-213 led the development of an excellent IFAFS proposal that was submitted in 2000, but unfortunately did not receive funding. That effort was highlighted in the last newsletter. He thanked Tim Herrman and Charlie Hurburgh for their leadership on the project. The group confirmed that there was excellent collaboration among NC-213 members and thanked OSU/OARDC for a great job in pulling the proposal together and submitting it.

Bill Ravlin shared that the RFP for the next round of IFAFS proposals will be out soon. He asked whether NC-213 should put together another proposal or not. No one in the group volunteered to organize the effort.

Bill Ravlin shared that the Executive Committee discussed the timing of annual report submissions. He indicated that if the group wanted to receive the compiled annual report 10 days before the annual meeting, OSU/OARDC needed to have the individual reports in hand by January 1. Three weeks were necessary to compile all reports and 1 week was needed to print and mail the final report. Discussion ensued regarding the date for the call for reports and the submission deadline.

Motion: Dirk Maier moved to set the annual report deadline for January 5. Eluned Jones seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Item: The Coordinator’s office will call for annual report submissions in late October/early November and specify January 5 as the annual report deadline.
Bill Ravlin introduced Dr. Ken Schneeberger, who represented the NC-213 Administrative Advisor Dr. Tom Payne, University of Missouri. He complimented NC-213 for being well known among regional administrators because of our multi-state and multi-disciplinary activities and active industry participation and input. He was sorry to see that the NC-213 IFAPS proposal was not funded last year but encouraged the group to try again. He shared that 86 proposals were funded at an average of $1.1 million. He expected a number of resubmissions for this new round as PIs had a better sense of amount to budget for. The upper limit is $2 million for a project. His impression of the review process was that a successful proposal had to have a well-defined extension dimension and it had to clearly describe what the project would accomplish including how stakeholders had input and would benefit. Stakeholders are also part of the proposal review process. He also shared that the USDA research budget looked flat for the near future but that stakeholder groups were organizing to raise an extra $100 million for CSREES. Some discussion ensued with respect to the interpretation of proposal reviews and rankings.

Mark Casada informed the group that the both Objective D co-chairs were open, and that Eluned Jones had agreed to serve as co-chair. The group appointed Eluned Jones as co-chair and suggested that Karen Bender be asked to serve as the second co-chair.

**Action Item:** Eluned Jones will ask Karen Bender about her willingness to serve as co-chair and inform Mark Casada of her decision.

Mark Casada shared that Dirk Maier had been appointed by the Executive Committee to fill the vacant Secretary position for 2001.

**Motion:** Mark Casada moved to elect Marvin Paulsen as the new Secretary. Linda Mason seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Action Item:** Mark Casada will confirm when the officer terms begin and end each year.

**Motion:** Dirk Maier moved to adopt the draft “Public Comments on USDA’s ANPRM RIN 0580-AA73” with the revisions suggested during the discussion period yesterday afternoon, and submit it before the February 28, 2001 deadline. Charlie Hurburgh seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Action Item:** Dirk Maier will submit the resolution to USDA GIPSA by February 28, 2001.

Mark Casada shared that the Executive Committee recommends holding the 2002 Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL or San Antonio, TX. Discussion ensued about staying in Kansas City due to the benefit of overlapping with the Wheat Quality Council meeting each year. Other important considerations mentioned were that a more central location allowed students to participate in NC-213 meetings more easily, that time away from the office could be minimized, and that travel costs for all participants could be minimized. It was also suggested to hold the 25th anniversary meeting of NC-213 in Indianapolis in 2003.

**Motion:** Charlie Hurburgh moved to hold the 2002 NC-213 Annual Meeting in Kansas City on February 20-22, and coordinate our banquet with the Wheat Quality Council. Eluned Jones seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
**Action Item:** The Coordinator’s office will reserve guest and meeting rooms at the Embassy Suites, and contact the Wheat Quality Council about a combined banquet.

Tim Herrman raised the issue about decoupling the annual meeting agenda development from the submission deadline for the annual reports. He suggested that Objective Chairs could start working on session speakers as early as October in order to put a better program agenda together that could be announced earlier in order to attract more participants.

**Motion:** Linda Mason moved to do a call for papers for presentation at the NC-213 Annual Meeting independent of and ahead of the call for annual reports, and then develop a meeting program based on the response. Florence Dunkel seconded. The motion carried unanimously;

**Motion:** Bob Smigelski moved to set October 15 as the deadline to get the final NC-213 Annual Meeting program mailed out. Charlie Hurburgh seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Action Item:** The Coordinator’s office will issue a call for papers via the NC-213 electronic and hard copy mailing list, newsletter and website no later than August 1 with a request for paper title submissions by September 1 of each year.

**Action Item:** The Coordinator’s office will distribute the paper title submissions to the respective Objective Chairs by September 15 and request that paper titles selected for presentation be returned to the Coordinator’s office before September 30.

**Action Item:** The Coordinator’s office will work with the Executive Committee Chair in assembling the final meeting presentation program in order to avoid any scheduling conflicts between Objectives and assure the program is balanced and ready for mailing out by October 15.

Mark Casada discussed plans for the 2001 NC-213 Summer Workshop and the desire by NE-124 “Genetic Manipulation of Sweet Corn Quality and Stress Resistance” to join us. He shared that the workshop topic will focus on industry perspectives related to quality assurance and transgenic grains and oilseeds. Florence Dunkel informed the group that she had confirmed that the Big Sky resort in Montana was available on either August 9 or July 19, 2001.

**Motion:** Terry Arbogast moved to hold the 2001 NC-213 Summer Workshop in Big Sky, MT, on August 9. Bob Smigelski seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Action Item:** Florence Dunkel will confirm the availability of the Big Sky resort on August 9, 2001 (first choice) or July 19, 2001 (second choice).

**Action Item:** Dirk Maier and Tim Herrman will develop a purpose statement and program outline for the 2001 summer workshop and circulate it among NC-213 members for input before the end of March.

Mark Casada discussed plans for the International Grain Quality Conference to be held in 2003 and asked for additional members of the organizing committee. Mark Casada shared that Lowell Hill had agreed to serve as the principal organizer, and that Anderson funds will be used to hire him and underwrite the conference. Tim Herrman, Dirk Maier, Eluned Jones, Linda Mason, Bob Smigelski, and Charlie Hurburgh volunteered to serve on the organizing committee. The group suggested asking Karen Bender to participate also.
**Action Item:** Bill Ravlin will ask Lowell Hill to submit a conference budget before the 2003 International Grain Quality Conference.

**Action Item:** Mark Casada will encourage others to serve on the conference planning committee as well.

Mark Casada reviewed the Officers and Coordinator Duties as compiled by Alan Dowdy in 1999 and had been agreed to by the Executive Committee. The group agreed to have them posted as is on the NC-213 web site.

**Action Item:** The Coordinator’s office will post the Officer and Coordinator Duties on the NC-213 website.

Mark Casada announced that the International Wheat Quality Conference would be held in Manhattan, KS during May 20-24, 2001.

Dirk Maier shared that the 8th International Working Conference on Stored Product Protection will take place in York, England from July 22 – 26, 2002. NC-213 members interested in this conference can get more information at: www.icscs.co.uk/iwcspp2002

Dirk Maier shared that the Grain Elevator & Processing Society (GEAPS) will be sponsoring a Grain Facility Design Conference July 27-31, 2002 in St. Charles, IL. NC-213 members interested in this conference can get more information at: www.geaps.com

Mark Casada adjourned the meeting at 10:10a.

Respectfully submitted by

Lloyd Bullerman and Dirk Maier.

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F. Wm. Ravlin, Coordinator NC-213 Marketing and Delivery of Quality Cereals and Oilseeds

**Post Meeting Updates on Action Items**

- Dirk Maier submitted the resolution to USDA GIPSA on February 28, 2001 via fax and hard copy mail.
- Bill Koshar reserved guest and meeting rooms at the Embassy Suites in Kansas City, MO, for the 2002 NC-213 Annual Meeting.
- Florence Dunkel reserved guest and meeting rooms in the Big Sky resort for the 2001 NC-213 Summer Meeting scheduled for August 9, 2001.
- Bill Ravlin received a conference budget from Lowell Hill for the 2003 International Grain Quality Conference on March 9, which is currently under review.