

MAGRUDER COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, February 19, 2002, Lakeland, FL

Bill Hall, Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a. m. in the absence of Chairman, Ed Huber. Minutes were reviewed and approved from the August 6, 2001, Scottsdale, AZ meeting. Joel Padmore moved to accept with a second by George Latimer.

Joel Padmore gave the Treasurer's report on the financial condition of the Magruder program. Some past bills had not been paid. The pass due amounts will be added to the current bills going out. An extra \$25 charge is added to international transfers. Around 138 labs are in the Magruder Check Sample Program. From July 1, 2001 through February 14, 2002, net income was -\$4,096.54. Joel said this was normal for this period. Questions were asked about Peter Kane's and Bob Coelho's travel expenses. Joel is sending out an explanation. Bill Hall made a motion that the report be received. Allan Hanks made a second. The motion passed.

Ed Moore gave a presentation on homogeneity. George Latimer thought that we might be able to do it on past data. Harold Falls thought that the fees would need to go up with George Latimer estimating that the fees might need to be \$1,000 per year for the fertilizer homogeneity testing. Joel Padmore brought up that most labs wanted the check samples for comparisons. Harold Falls estimated that it might cost \$5,000 to do one test for homogeneity. ISO-43 certification requirement is to do homogeneity testing on every sample used as a reference material.

Check samples were chosen for the 2002-2003 year. Greg Haberkost will need to be contacted to see if the two samples he is providing will need any special analysis.

Alan Hanks submitted the nominating Committee report. The term of the 2002 class will end in August. Although everyone's willingness to continue has not been confirmed, Alan nominated all the members of the 2002 class for 2005, Bob Beine, Harold Falls, Ed Huber and George Latimer. We had a vacancy in the class of 2003 with the recent resignation of Tom Parham. Mike Hojjatie has agreed to fill the position.

Bill Hall asked if a reference material was needed. Ken Armock and George Latimer are working up a survey to send out to members to see if reference materials are needed and also if ISO-43 homogeneity testing is needed. The survey will go out with a self addressed stamped envelope.

Ed Moore presented more material on the ISO-43 testing. He thought that 85% of the work was being done but that the work must be documented. George Latimer said that he could send out the Feed Reference Standards to Joel Padmore and Bill Hall, which could be adapted to fertilizers.

Harold Falls gave a presentation on electronic transfer and handling of data for the Magruder Program. The data sheets will be in Excel. In the future the sample data could be entered directly into the Web. The AFPC Rock Check Sample program is now testing the program. Harold is sending out papers on the calculations. This data program would replace the current check sample data program. Harold will put the data in for some past Magruder Samples and give the results at the summer meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p. m.

Submitted 2-25-02, Kerry Cooner