

**MINUTES OF THE 1999 COTTON DISEASE
COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING,
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The 60th meeting of the Cotton Disease Council was called to order by chairperson Patrick D. Colyer at 4:30 PM, January 7, 2000.

A motion was made and passed to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1999 business meeting.

Old Business

Jennifer L. Riggs and Karen Arthur were recognized for their efforts in putting together an excellent Symposium on "Current and Future Use of Pesticides in Cotton - FQPA, Registration and Re-Registration Impacts". More than 125 individuals attended the symposium.

Members presenting posters and individuals that assisted with the lights and projector during the sessions were recognized for their activities.

Patrick Colyer gave a brief report on the Journal of Cotton Science. Submissions to the Plant Pathology section are relatively low. He encouraged everyone to consider submission of not only research articles but also of review articles. Review articles could be invited papers or could be initiated by the authors.

A report on the second edition of the Cotton Compendium for the American Phytopathological Society (APS) was provided by Terry Kirkpatrick (co-editor of the compendium). Reviews of the first draft were returned from A.P.S. in October. Kirkpatrick and Craig Rothrock will be working on a second draft which should go back to A.P.S. in April.

Patrick Colyer was congratulated for being on the program for "Strategies for Solutions - Economics of New Technologies". Pat presented a "Plant Pathologist's Prospective" on pest management.

New Business

Committee reports were solicited. Written reports from the Regional Disease Problems Committee, the Verticillium Wilt and Fusarium Wilt Committee, Soil Fungicides, and the

Cotton Disease Loss Estimate Committee were available for participants at the meeting. Patrick Colyer reported that the Cottonseed Treatment Committee report was available upon request. Committee chairman were encouraged to submit the other reports. Everyone was reminded that in order to get more recognition for Plant Pathology we need to have more active committees.

Patrick Colyer presented information on the Seed Treatment Committee's plans for 2000. The committee currently has 8 nominations for treatments. He encouraged all companies who had not submitted nominations to submit them soon to Craig Rothrock.

Committee chairmanships were discussed. John Mueller will step down as head of the Nematode Management Committee. Richard Davis was elected as in-coming chair of that committee.

It was decided to eliminate the Public Relations Committee. Kamal El-Zik was thanked for his long and productive tenure as head of this committee. Patrick Colyer was asked to investigate having the Disease Council's slide collection put on CD ROM.

Ideas for a symposium at the 2001 meeting were discussed. It was decided that the Disease Council would like to jointly sponsor a symposium on "Host Plant Resistance" with the Cotton Improvement Conference. Richard Davis was asked to contact O. Lloyd May of the Cotton Improvement Conference to coordinate the effort.

The possibility of having a colloquium at the 2001 meeting was also discussed. Attendance and interest in this years colloquia on "New and Emerging Diseases and Maladies" and "Cotton Bronze Wilt" were high. It was decided that the colloquia were a very positive activity for the Disease Council and should be continued. Possible topics were discussed but choosing a topic was delayed until July to facilitate choosing the "hot" topics during the 2001 growing season.

Presentation of workshops at upcoming conferences was discussed. The group was in favor of presenting a workshop at most every other conference. It was decided to skip the 2001 meeting in Anaheim and instead present a workshop on a nematode related topic at the 2002 meeting in Atlanta. The possibility of matching the theme of the workshop to a symposium theme for the same year was discussed.

The appropriate venue for the Disease Council's poster session was discussed. The group decided they would prefer having our posters in the general poster session rather than in the room where the Disease Council oral presentations are given.

At the close of business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary, Cotton Disease Council