



Canadian Society of Plant Physiologists  
Soci t  Canadienne de Physiologie V g tale

Minutes of the AGM 2005

**Meeting:** CSPP/SCPV Annual Business Meeting  
**Date:** 18 June 2005  
**Time:** 12h30 to 14h00 pm  
**Location:** Room ET1001, University of Alberta, Edmonton

**AGM 2005**  
Meeting no: 07

**Members present:**

C. Nozzolillo	Andrea Eastman	Hank Bestman	Jan Slaski
Deep Saini	Brian Colman	Vipen Sawney	Ken Wilson
John Hoddicott	Robert Hill	Fathey Sarhan	Ed Yeung
Peter Pauls	John Thompson	Allison McDonald	Carol Peterson
Greg Perry	Mario Houde	Belay Ayele	G. Vanlerberghe
Pierre Bilodeau	R.Soolanayahanahally	Richard Darrah	F. Guinel,
Carl Douglas	Tyler Abbey	P. Bonham Smith	E. Weretilnyk.
Anja Geitmann	D. Chillakuru	Aine Plant	Yongzhong Sali
Derek Bewley	Hannah Buschhaus	Trevor Thorpe	David Pearse
Rob Guy	Jean Danxluk	R. Ibrahim	N. Brisson
Harold Weger	Amadon Diallo	Sheila Macfie	Inder Sheoran
Andrew McCartney	Denis Charlebois	W. Zhou	Neil Emery
Larry Fowke	Michel Hecheima	Matt Smith	
Barry Shelp	Peter Jolliffe	Lorna Woodrow	

**07.00 Agenda**

1. Accept agenda
2. Receive minutes of the 2004 Annual General Meeting
3. Report of Officers:
  - a. President-
  - b. Treasurer-
  - c. Communications-
  - d. Eastern Regional-
  - e. Western Regional-
  - f. Meeting sites-
  - g. Education-
  - h. Science Policy-
  - i. Student/postdoc rep.
4. Election of officers
  - a. Nominations (Bewley)
  - b. Additional nominations
  - c. Appointment of the officer as director of the corporation.
  - d. Signing authority
  - e. Nomination of auditors for 2005-2006
5. Congratulations of award winners (Ibrahim, Rood, Matton)



6. Thank outgoing executive (Saini)
7. Varia
8. Adjournment

**Call to order**

President **Saini** called the meeting to order at 12h40 pm

**Notice of meeting and Quorum**

A notice of the meeting was sent to all members via the electronic Bulletin in April , 2005. There was a quorum present of 44 members all in attendance (see list above).

**07.01 Accept agenda**

A motion by **Nozzolillo** to accept agenda, seconded by **Jolliffe** was carried unanimously.

**07.02 Receive minutes from executive meetings**

A motion by **Bewley**, seconded by **Geitmann** to accept the minutes of the 2004 ABM, as posted on the CSPP Web site with minor modifications was carried unanimously.

**07.03 Reports of Officers**

**A. President – Saini**

**Plant Canada has grown up.**

It is a matter of great pride that Plant Canada — the Canadian Federation of Plant Biology Societies — has now grown to include six major organizations. This year’s meeting is the first to bring all six member societies together. With over 50 sessions planned, Plant Canada 2005 is promising to be the largest gathering of Canadian plant biologists in history. As one of the two founding societies, we can be truly proud of this success. In keeping with our commitment to the health and growth of this organization, CSPP has sponsored a major symposium on “Nutrient Use Efficiency” on June 15. Another highlight of the CSPP’s presence at this meeting will be the Gold Medal Address by the Emeritus Professor Ragai Ibrahim on June 16.

**New membership category and executive position.**

A new ‘Corporate Member’ category was created at the 2004 Annual Business Meeting of the society. Recruitment for this membership category was delayed because of logistical reasons, but we are now poised for this, along with a general membership drive. As I explained earlier in a letter to the CSPP members, the creation of this membership category was intended to encourage bridge-building between the research in the university/government laboratories and corporate sector engaged in the commercialization of the results of such research. The initial target is to enroll about 10 Canadian companies active in plant biology research.

In addition, a new position of a Student/PostDoctoral Representative was added to the CSPP



executive with a view to encouraging greater involvement of these important membership categories in the affairs of the society. Andrew McCartney, a Ph.D. student at the University of Guelph, was elected to this position in April.

**CJB name change.**

At the request of the Co-Editors (Drs. Larry Peterson and Barry Shelp) of the Canadian Journal of Botany, I polled the CSPP members in November 2004 about their opinions on changing the name of the CJB. Of the 49 responses I received, 44 expressed strong support for changing the name, 3 expressed lukewarm support and 2 were against the change. Thirteen of the supportive respondents also wrote (unsolicited comment) that they would like to see the word "Canadian" dropped from the name. The following alternative names were suggested:

Plant Journal Canada	Plant and Cell Biology
Plant Form and Function	Plant Biology
Canadian Journal of Experimental Botany	Chloros
Journal of Plant Biology	Plant Biology Journal

An open meeting to further discuss this issue is scheduled on the morning of June 15 at this conference.

**Joint meetings with the American Society of Plant Biologists in jeopardy.**

The CSPP was scheduled to meet jointly with the ASPB in 2006 in Montreal, but we learned in October last year, that the ASPB had booked Boston for their 2006 meeting after rejecting a less competitive bid from Montreal. The current executive of the ASPB were apparently not aware of the commitment to meet jointly in Montreal despite an unbroken tradition of regular joint meetings dating back to 1973. We were also told that another reason the choice of Boston was that the new visa policies of the US government cause problems for foreign-born US-based researchers to get back into the country after traveling abroad. Regardless, as the joint meeting in Montreal is now impossible, we are considering alternatives, which include meeting with the ASPB in Boston or alone in Montreal.

My correspondence with the current ASPB executive leaves me with the impression that preserving the tradition of joint meetings is no longer a priority for the ASPB. Therefore, if we wish the tradition to be maintained, the incoming CSPP executive will have to pursue this issue vigorously with the ASPB.

**Dr. Marilyn Griffith.**

For the second time during my mandate, the CSPP executive suffered a tragic loss when Dr. Marilyn Griffith, the Senior Director, died on February 19, 2005 of complications arising from a stroke. With Marilyn's death, Canadian plant biology lost one of its leading practitioners and many who knew her lost a warm and ever-cheerful friend.

**Thanks to the executive.**

As I pass on the CSPP Presidency to Dr. Robert Guy, I wish to thank all my colleagues on the



executive for their strong support, cooperation and hard work over the last two years. As I leave this office, I realize that I have been serving virtually continuously on the CSPP executive in various capacities since I first came aboard in 1993 as the Bulletin Editor. These experiences have indeed been among the most enjoyable in my career, and I will forever be grateful to the CSPP members for such sustained confidence.

**B. Treasurer**

**CSPP Corporation**

**Function of the Corporation**

CSPP/SCPV Inc. was originally established in order to facilitate lobbying efforts on behalf of science in Canada (federal government regulations forbid charities, e.g. CSPP/SCPV, to lobby). These efforts were to be carried out in conjunction with the Canadian Federation of Biological Societies (CFBS). Once established, CSPP/SCPV Inc. collected membership dues from Society members (dues had previously been collected by CSPP/SCPV), and forwarded a portion of the dues to CFBS. The remainder of the dues was transferred to CSPP/SCPV. Charitable donations to the Duff Student Travel Bursaries and/or the Oaks Scholarship Fund were also transferred to CSPP/SCPV. This system was relatively cumbersome, but was necessary in order to carry out lobbying efforts.

With the termination of the Society's association with CFBS a few years ago, the lobbying efforts of the Society have ceased. The bookkeeping system was therefore changed, such that CSPP/SCPV (i.e. the charity) collected membership dues and charitable donations. CSPP/SCPV Inc. is now relatively inactive, and does not currently play a major financial role in the Society. This change in Society bookkeeping was enacted for September 2002, in time for the collection of 2003 membership dues.

**Assets and Financial Activity**

Assets of CSPP/SCPV Inc. consist solely of a chequing account containing approximately \$4,200 (see Appendix A). CSPP/SCPV Inc. had minimal financial activity in fiscal 2004; details are shown in the "Statement of Operations" (Appendix A).

**CSPP Charity**

**CSPP-Sponsored Meetings**

The Society sponsored several scientific meetings in fiscal year 2005: CSPP 2004 (held at the University of Guelph in June 2004), the Western Regional Meeting (University of Saskatchewan, December 2004), Eastern Regional Meeting (Queen's University, December 2004), and the Carbon Concentrating Mechanism (CCM) satellite conference of the International Congress of Photosynthesis (Montr al, QC) in August 2004.

CSPP 2004 yielded a net profit of approximately \$18,000. The Western Regional Meeting provided a profit of approximately \$250, and the Eastern Regional Meeting a profit of approximately \$1,900. The profits from the Eastern Regional Meeting will be counted in fiscal year 2006, as the cheque arrived just a few days too late to count for fiscal 2005. The CCM meeting organizers have repaid the seed money (\$2,000) provided by CSPP; final accounting for the meeting is not yet complete.



As well, the accounting for two other CSPP-sponsored meetings, Plant Canada 2003 (held at St. Francis Xavier University) and the 2003 Eastern Regional Meeting (Concordia University) arrived in fiscal year 2005, and these meetings are thus included in that fiscal year.

#### **George Duff Student Travel Fund**

Almost \$1600 was donated by Society members to the Student Travel Fund in fiscal year 2005. A total of \$3500 was awarded in support of student travel to CSPP 2004; the difference in funding was supplied by general Society revenues.

#### **Dr. Ann Oaks Scholarship Fund**

A total of \$1255.00 was donated by Society members to the Oaks Scholarship Fund in fiscal year 2005. The Oaks Scholarship Fund was established by a donation from long-time CSPP/SCPV member Dr. Ann Oaks; Dr. Oaks has also made subsequent donations to the Fund. As well, CSPP/SCPV has been named as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy by Dr. Oaks; the proceeds of the policy will be added to the Oaks Scholarship Fund. The Fund will be used to support one or more PhD students in plant biology at a level comparable to an NSERC PGS Doctoral scholarship. The Fund is currently accumulating monies (with permission from the Canada Revenue Agency), and operation of the Fund is overseen by a Board of Trustees.

#### **Big Picture of the Society's Finances**

The Society includes both CSPP/SCPV Inc. and the CSPP/SCPV. As well, both Society entities have several different bank accounts and investments, and money is sometimes transferred between entities and between accounts. Therefore, it can be difficult to understand the financial status of the Society as a whole when looking only at individual entities.

In order to understand the overall Society finances, I have combined CSPP/SCPV Inc. and the CSPP/SCPV into one analysis, and also removed the Oaks Fund from the analysis. The rationale for removing the Oaks Fund is that it is presently an accumulative fund, and is not part of the operating revenue of the Society (unlike the Duff Travel Fund, which both collects and awards money). The "big picture" is summarised in Appendix B.

#### **CSPP/SCPV Membership**

Annual membership trends are shown in an attached table in Appendix C.

#### **Auditing**

Finally, a note of thanks to the Society's auditors, Drs. Vipen Sawhney and Ken Wilson.

#### **C. Communication Director**

The Communications Director chairs the Communications Committee which consists of a chair, the CSPP secretary and the Website Coordinator.



***Website***

The "new" Society web site was unveiled in early June 2004 and has been up for just over a year now. I feel it has achieved its goal of improving overall user 'friendliness'. I encourage the membership to visit and browse the site as well as use the services provided such as Job Postings and Meeting Announcements. These services have proved to be effective in at least reaching the membership and I have had several e-mails commenting on this aspect of the site. However, like most web sites it is a "work-in-progress". There is still room for improvement and the comments of the membership are always appreciated. In my estimation, the next hurdle will be designing a "Members Only" area which can be used for membership renewals, membership directory information and the sharing of teaching resources.

***Membership Directory***

The goal of disseminating a 2004 Membership Directory has come and gone. I take responsibility for this delay and will attempt a 2005 Membership Directory to be targeted for mailing in the late summer. This will be up to date as of the Annual Meeting and include any amendments to the by-laws and constitution, as well as "late" membership renewals.

***Meeting Program/Abstract Booklets***

Last year I had indicated the Society still required copies of abstract booklets from three meetings. These have been received and we now have a complete compilation of abstract booklets from all meetings since 2000. These will now be sent out to our distribution list. **Meeting Organizers - Please remember to send a few copies (electronic or hard copy) to the Communications Director so we can keep this up to date.**

The BULLETIN was published in October and May respectively and posted on the website

The website was well maintained with a significant increase in activity observed over the course of the year. I would like to extend my thanks to the members of the Communications Committee for all of their hard work. It is greatly appreciated.

**D. Eastern Regional Director**

**Site for the 2005 Eastern Regional Meeting**

At this point, I have been unable to secure a site for the 2005 meeting and time is obviously running short. I have been working on this since January but without any luck. I have tried individuals at York, McMaster, Western, UTSC, Carleton, Ottawa. I am still waiting for a response from Ottawa.

**2004 Eastern Regional Meeting**

The 2004 Eastern Regional Meeting was held at the Biosciences Complex on the campus of Queen's University, Kingston Canada. Events began with a Friday night mixer in the Atrium and continued with poster and oral sessions throughout a full Saturday schedule. The oral sessions began with two plenary talks. The first was by Maria Harrison (Cornell University), describing her work on arbuscular mycorrhiza. The second was delivered by Normand Brisson (University of Montreal) and



described his work on defense gene regulation by transcription factors. Both talks were excellent and well received.

In keeping with tradition, the meeting included graduate student awards for best oral and best poster presentations. Numerous faculty were involved in the judging of presentations and a choice of winners was made difficult by the all-round excellence of the candidates. Best oral presentation was awarded to Dominic Rosso (University of Western Ontario), for his talk on the *Arabidopsis* IMMUTANS. Best poster presentation was awarded to Jeff Waller (Queen's University) for his poster on NADH kinases. Honorable mentions went to Martha Mullally (Carleton University; oral) and Mark Held (University of Waterloo; poster).

The CSPP thanks **Wayne Snedden** and **Lynn O'Malley** (Queen's University) for organizing this very successful meeting!

#### **Potential Sites for the 2006 and 2007 Eastern Regional Meetings**

McMaster University (Elizabeth Weretilnyk, Robin Cameron) have expressed some interest to host the 2006 meeting. I will try to confirm this site in late 2005. Univ. of Western Ontario (Mark Bernards) has expressed some interest to host the 2007 meeting, so that it could coincide with the opening of their new Biotron.

#### **George H. Duff Student Travel Bursary**

In coordination with the Western Regional Director (Doug Muench), travel bursaries were awarded to all 34 applicants who asked for assistance to attend Plant Canada 2005, Edmonton.

Given the large number of applicants, 6,000 dollars in bursary monies were awarded. Award amounts were based solely on travel distance. The table below indicates the province by province allocation:

<b>Province</b>	<b>Number of Applicants</b>	<b>Average Cost</b>	<b>Bursary awarded</b>	<b>Total</b>
QC	2	975	2 x 300	600
ON	23	669	23 x 200	4600
MB	3	387	3 x 100	300
SK	1	350	1 x 50	50
AB	1	200	1 x 50	50
BC	4	375	4 x 100	400
			<b>Total Bursary:</b>	<b>6000</b>

#### **E. Western Regional Director**

##### **Report on the Western Regional Meeting**

The 2004 CSPP Western Regional Meeting was held December 9-10 at the University of Saskatchewan. Over 50 plant biologists representing each of the western provinces attended. The



meeting was highlighted by excellent talks from the invited speakers, Federica Brandizzi (Life inside a plant cell: dynamics of the early secretory pathway) and Lacey Samuels (Building a cell wall: new models for wax and monolignol export). The opening mixer amidst the dinosaurs in the Biology/Geology atrium, and the closing banquet at Marquis Hall, provided the participants with the opportunity to discuss science in a relaxed atmosphere.

The Western Regional Director Awards were presented for best oral and poster presentations, and included an award certificate and cash prize. Jaqueline Hulm (supervisor – Peta Bonham-Smith) was awarded the best oral presentation for her talk entitled “The four members of the ribosomal protein S15A gene family are differentially transcribed in *Arabidopsis thaliana*.” The top poster award went to W.P. Liu (supervisor – John King) for her presentation entitled “One carbon (C-1) metabolism in response to biotic and abiotic stresses.”

The meeting was organized by Gordon Gray (University of Saskatchewan) and Douglas Muench (University of Calgary).

#### **Future site of the Western Regional Meeting**

Discussions have been initiated to determine the site of the next Western meeting, which we would like to hold in either 2005 or 2006. We hope discussions that take place at the Plant Canada meeting in Edmonton will result in a tentative date and location for the meeting.

#### **F. Meeting Sites**

There was little for the Meeting Site Committee to do this year, due to the excellent work of the previous committee and, because of Plant Canada, meeting sites are more-or-less out of our hands every second year. The following table indicates existing plans for upcoming annual meetings:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Lead Society</b>
2006	Boston	ASPB
2007	Saskatoon	Plant Canada (CPS)
2008	Ottawa	CSPP
2009	maritimes?	Plant Canada (CSA)

The 2008 meeting is planned for Ottawa in recognition of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a society. Meeting planners should note that the CBA will be with the Botanical Society of America in Ottawa that year. Dr. Kevin Vessey (St. Mary’s University) has agreed to act as local CSPP representative for purposes of the 2009 Plant Canada meeting. The 2010 CSPP meeting should be in western Canada with the Vancouver area being a strong possibility (local contacts: Rob Guy and Santokh Singh).

#### **G. Education Director**

##### **Plant Science Teaching Network**





At the Annual General Meeting in Guelph, June 2004, a "**Plant Science Teaching Network**" was initiated. An important tool of this network was supposed to be an online database that lists courses related to plant science that are given by CSPP members. The feedback by the members was very positive and thanks to Michael Stasiak the data have been entered onto a web page that is accessible through the Education page of the CSPP web site (<http://cspp-scpv.ca/education/edu-teaching.shtml>). A total of 24 courses is listed so far. Information on textbooks and practicals as well as course web sites are available for all of these courses. Furthermore, contact information is provided to allow direct communication with the course instructors. This should facilitate communication and thus allows new faculty members or those who plan to set up a new course or modify an existing one to be inspired by the exchange with colleagues.

New additions or corrections to the database are welcome. It will be updated as needed.

#### **Teaching session - Plant Canada 2005**

Together with Christine Maxwell (Canadian Botanical Association) I am organizing a session dedicated to plant science related education entitled "**Teaching in plant sciences**" (sessions D8 and E7). The session will take place during the Plant Canada meeting on Thursday, June 16. We were able to recruit the following speakers: David Cass, John Hoddinott, Fr d rique Guinel and Elizabeth Straszynski.

#### **Round table discussion - Plant Canada 2005**

Together with Randy Currah (University of Alberta), Heather Addy (University of Calgary) and Christine Maxwell (Trent University) I am organizing a roundtable discussion with the following (hopefully controversial) title: "**Does the modern biology student need botany?**" The roundtable is scheduled for an hour on June 16, during the Plant Canada meeting (following session E7). The following panelists will participate: Marie Davey, Hugues Massicotte, Cindy Graham, Fr d rique Guinel and Peta Bonham-Smith. Initial opening statements and panelist discussion will be followed by a discussion including the audience.

#### **H. Science Policy**

NSERC was contacted about the reallocation process and we were told that it was under discussion and they would get back to us later. I really don't have any issues to bring forward.

Any suggestions related to science policy are welcome but no other issues needed our attention this year. **Saini** mentioned that Plant Canada would create a Science Policy sub committee made of science policy directors of constituent societies.

#### **I. Student/postdoc representative**

The position of Student/Postdoctoral Officer was created at the last Annual General Meeting held in Guelph, ON, in June 2004. The position was filled in April 2005 following a call for nominations. The mandate of the Student/Postdoctoral Officer is to represent the interests of student and postdoctoral members and to highlight the contributions of these members within the Society.



To begin to fulfill the duties of this position, a request was made to the student/postdoctoral membership to provide ideas on the specific issues they would like addressed by the Officer. The following is a list of most preferred topics arising from those consultations:

**Employment:**

It was suggested that a website be created to list positions available in the plant sciences. Most individuals were not aware that the CSPP already provides such a list on its website. An announcement regarding this resource would be beneficial.

**Career Development:**

Advice on topics dealing with career development is desirable, including writing CVs, manuscripts and grants, and job applications and interviews.

**Women in Science:**

An informal discussion dealing with issues pertaining to women in science was organized at the CSPP Eastern Regional Meeting in 2002. The symposium was well received by those in attendance and, therefore, it was suggested that a similar event be attempted at the national level.

A motion by **Peterson**, seconded by **Sheoran** to accept the report of CSPP officer as presented was carried unanimously.

**07.04 Election of officers**

**Nominations (Bewley)**

The following are nominated by the Nominations Committee to serve on the Executive and Committees of the Society. All have expressed strong interest in serving.

**Executive Committee:**

Vice-President: Peter Pauls  
Senior Director: Priti Krishna  
Communications Director: Gordon Gray  
Western Director: Elizabeth Schultz  
Education Director: Greg Moorehead

**Committees:**

Gold Medal: Rob Ireland  
Gifford Tree Physiology: Rob Mullen  
Meeting Site: Santosh Misra  
Gleb Krotkov: Dave Layzell  
CD Nelson: Peter Facchini  
Nominations Committee: John Greenwood

Additional nominations were open to the assembly. No additional nominations



On behalf of the nomination committee, a motion by **Bewley** seconded by **Hill** to accept these nominations was carried unanimously. With these nominations, here is the list of new Executive and other committees:

**Executive, elected for two years**

President:	Rob Guy (British Columbia) 2007
Past President:	Deep Saini (Montreal) 2007
Vice-President:	Peter Pauls (Guelph) 2007
Senior Directors:	Priti Krishna (Western Ontario), 2007
Secretary:	Pierre Bilodeau (Medicago, Ste Foy) 2006
Treasurer:	Harold Weger (Regina) 2006.
Eastern Director :	Greg Vanlerberghe (Toronto) 2006
Western Director:	Elizabeth Schultz (Lethbridge) 2007
Science Policy Director:	Barbara Moffatt (Waterloo) 2006
Education Director:	Greg Moorhead (Calgary) 2007
Communications Director:	Gordon Gray (Saskatchewan) 2007
Student representative:	Andrew McCartney (Guelph) 2007

**Committee Membership, elected for three years (Ann Oaks Committee, four years)**

*Nominating Committee*

Priti Krishna: Senior Director (Chair) 2007  
Ljerke Kunst (UBC) 2006  
John Greenwood, 2008

*Meeting Site Committee*

Peter Pauls (Guelph) Chair 2007  
Allen Good (Alberta) 2006  
Aine Plant (SFU) 2006  
Santosh Misra, 2008

*Communications Committee*

Pierre Bilodeau (Secretary)  
Mike Stasiak (Webmaster, Guelph)  
Gordon Gray (Communications Director)

*Education Committee*

Greg Moorehead. Ed. Director (Chair) 2007  
Barry Micallef (Guelph) 2006  
Doug Ormrod (Victoria) 2006



*CD Nelson Award Committee*

Vipen Sawhney (Sask) Chair 2006  
Daphne Goring (Toronto) 2007  
Peter Facchini (Calgary) 2008

*Gleb Krotkov Award Committee*

Normand Brisson (Montreal) Chair 2006  
Larry Fowke (Sask) 2007  
Dave Layzell 2008

*Society (Gold) Medal Award Committee*

John Coleman (Toronto) Chair 2006  
Ed Yeung (Calgary) 2007  
Rob Ireland (MtAllison) 2008

*Gifford Tree Physiology Award Committee*

Mike Dixon (Guelph) Chair 2006  
Jocelyn Ozga (Alberta) 2007  
Rob Mullen (Guelph) 2007

*Ann Oaks Scholarship Committee*

H. Weger, as Treasurer (ex-officio), Chair  
E. Weretilnyk (McMaster) Co-Chair 2006  
Doug Campbell (Mt Allison) 2007  
Frederique Guinel (Laurier) 2008  
Sheila Macfie (Western) 2009  
George Espie (UT Mississauga) Advisor

*Auditors 2005-06*

Ken Wilson (Sask)  
Peta Bonham Smith (Sask)

**Appointment of the officer as director of the corporation.**

A motion by **Bewley**, seconded by **Sawney** to appoint the officer of the charity as director of the corporation was carried unanimously.

**Signing authority**

A motion by **Thorpe**, seconded by **Jolliffe** to transfer the signing authority to President **Guy** and Treasurer **Weger** was carried unanimously.

**Nomination of auditors for 2005-2006**



A motion by **Bewley**, seconded by **Sawney** to nominate Ken Wilson (Saskatoon) and Peta Bonham Smith (Saskatoon) as auditors of the CSPP charity and corporation, was carried unanimously.

**07.05 Congratulations of award winners (Ibrahim, Rood, Matton)**

President **Saini** thanked the three CSPP awardees from 2004 (**Ibrahim, Rood and Matton**). He also reminded CSPP members that no nomination for major award were either received or retained this year. **Saini** invited all CSPP members to actively nominate colleagues and fellow members to these awards.

**07.06 Thank outgoing executive members**

**Saini** thanked the executive committee members who are retiring from their duties (**Geitmann, Bewley, Muench, Huner**) and all other committee members.

**07.07 Varia**

**Carol Peterson** presented a written report summarizing Plant Canada activities.

**Sawney** who has been an auditor for the CSPP thanked **Weger** for his excellent work in keeping the Society affair in great order. **Guy** extended his thanks to other CSPP Executive members for an excellent job.

**07.08 Ajournment**

A motion by **Guy**, seconded by **Geitmann** to adjourn the meeting was carried unanimously

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Hargurdeep Saini  
President

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Pierre Bilodeau  
Secretary

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Date

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Date

Appendix A Finances of CSPP inc.

**Assets and Investments**  
CSPP/SCPV Inc.

	Apr. 30/99	Apr. 30/00	Apr. 30/01	Apr. 30/02	Apr. 30/03	Apr. 30/04	Apr. 30/05
<b>CSPP/SCPV Inc.</b>							
Corporate Chequing Account	\$650.84	\$505.86	\$6,569.09	\$14,021.91	\$4,485.62	\$4,345.06	\$4,243.06
GIC (CIBC)	--	\$5,402.00	\$3,524.00	--	\$2,124.00	--	--
<b>Total Cash and Securities</b>	<b>\$650.84</b>	<b>\$5,907.86</b>	<b>\$10,093.09</b>	<b>\$14,021.91</b>	<b>\$6,609.62</b>	<b>\$4,345.06</b>	<b>\$4,243.06</b>
<b>Segregated Funds</b>							
CSPMB Legacy Account	--	\$5,095.00	\$3,524.00	\$2,238.53	\$2,124.00	--	--
<b>Total Encumbered Funds</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>\$5,095.00</b>	<b>\$3,524.00</b>	<b>\$2,238.53</b>	<b>\$2,124.00</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>
<b>Total Non-Encumbered Funds</b>	<b>\$650.84</b>	<b>\$812.86</b>	<b>\$6,569.09</b>	<b>\$11,783.38</b>	<b>\$4,485.62</b>	<b>\$4,345.06</b>	<b>\$4,243.06</b>

Appendix A Finances of CSPP inc.

**Statement of Operations**  
CSPP/SCPV Inc.

For the year ended April 30, 2005.

**REVENUE**

None

**Total Revenue** \$0.00

**EXPENSES**

Bank and Credit Card Fees \$72.00

Corporation Registration \$30.00

**Total Expenses**

**Surplus/(Deficit)** (\$102.00)

**Proposed Operating Budget**

CSPP/SCPV Inc.

Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2006.

**REVENUE** Zero

**EXPENSES**

Corporation Registration \$30.00

Banking Fees \$72.00

**Total Expenses** \$102.00

**Surplus/(Deficit)** (\$102.00)

## Appendix B Finances of CSPP Charity

	<b>Assets and Investments</b>						
	CSPP/SCPV						
	Apr. 30/99	Apr. 30/00	Apr. 30/01	Apr. 30/02	Apr. 30/03	Apr. 30/04	Apr. 30/05
<b>CSPP/SCPV</b>							
Chequing Account	\$826.84	\$689.76	\$3,078.52	\$4,497.65	\$14,468.67	\$7,984.31	\$37,682.86
Money Market Fund (CIBC)	\$16,846.97	\$16,958.67	\$15,770.99	\$16,136.53	\$16,453.62	16,760.23	\$16,905.54
GICs (CIBC)	\$37,579.10	--	--	--	--	--	--
GIC (BMO Nesbitt Burns)		\$14,052.00	--	--	--	--	--
Cash Account (BMO Nesbitt Burns)		\$104.74	--	--	--	--	--
BCE Inc. (100 shares)		\$17,150.00	--	--	--	--	--
Canada Life Financial (400 shares)		\$10,640.00	--	--	--	--	--
BMO Nesbitt Burns (CSPP/SCPV)			\$39,818.61	\$41,027.65	\$43,180.88	\$46,345.78	\$47,518.26
BMO Nesbitt Burns (Oaks Fund)			\$71,365.31	\$54,232.98	\$39,776.94	\$43,529.28	\$44,401.43
Univ. of Regina CSPP Account	--	--	--	--	\$570.62	\$151.91	\$104.15
<b>Total Cash &amp; Securities</b>	\$55,252.91	\$104,595.17	\$130,033.43	\$115,894.81	\$114,450.73	\$114,771.51	
Gold Medals (estimate)	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,050.00	--	\$5,086.51	\$5,086.51
<b>Total CSPP/SCPV Assets</b>	<b>\$56,302.91</b>	<b>\$105,645.17</b>	<b>\$131,083.43</b>	<b>\$116,944.81</b>	<b>\$114,450.73</b>	<b>\$119,858.02</b>	<b>\$151,698.75</b>
<b>Segregated Funds</b>							
Ann Oaks Scholarship Fund	--	\$41,946.74	\$71,365.31	\$54,232.98	\$39,776.94	\$43,529.28	\$44,401.43
Duff Student Travel Fund	--	\$3,847.00	\$1,737.00	\$4,198.00	\$1,396.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,593.57
Oaks Donations in Chequing Account					\$1,367.00	\$1,250.44	\$1,255.00
Gold Medals (estimate)						\$5,086.51	\$5,086.51
<b>Total Encumbered Funds</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>\$45,793.74</b>	<b>\$73,102.31</b>	<b>\$58,430.98</b>	<b>\$42,539.94</b>	<b>\$50,916.23</b>	<b>\$52,336.51</b>
<b>Total Non-Encumbered Funds</b>	<b>\$56,302.91</b>	<b>\$59,851.43</b>	<b>\$57,981.12</b>	<b>\$58,513.83</b>	<b>\$71,910.79</b>	<b>\$68,941.52</b>	<b>\$99,362.24</b>



## Appendix B Finances of CSPP Charity

### Statement of Operations\* - CSPP/SCPV

For the year ended April 30, 2005.

#### REVENUE

Membership Dues	\$10,303.39
Duff Student Travel Donations	\$1,593.57
Oaks Fund Donations	\$1,255.00
CSPP 2004 (Annual Meeting) - Revenue	\$114,339.83
Net Profit from 2003 Eastern Regional Meeting	\$3,429.38
2004 Western Regional Meeting Revenue	\$7,648.36
Repayment of CCM Meeting Seed Money	\$2,000.00
Plant Canada 2003 (Annual Meeting) - Revenue	\$40,313.81
BMO Nesbitt Burns (CSPP/SCPV) - Investment Income	\$1,172.48
Money Market Fund (CIBC) - Investment Income	\$145.31
Donation by Ann Oaks for Insurance Premium	\$3,184.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$185,385.13</b>

#### EXPENSES

Duff Student Travel Bursaries	\$3,500.00
Society Awards	\$2,750.00
Bank Fees	\$118.77
Credit Card Fees	\$342.27
CSPP 2004 (Annual Meeting) - Expenses	\$95,249.00
2004 Western Regional Meeting Expenses	\$7,397.08
Plant Canada 2003 (Annual Meeting) - Expenses	\$36,530.96
Accountants	\$353.40
Secretary's Expenses	\$1,211.55
Communication Director's Expenses	\$227.25
PUBS** 2005 Donation	\$200.00
Donation to Neil Towers Memorial Fund	\$50.00
Society Insurance	\$673.92
Postage	\$381.45
Printing and Duplicating	\$166.31
Plant Canada Donation	\$200.00
Oaks Life Insurance Premium	\$3,184.00
Treasurer's Expenses	\$211.53
Web Site	\$147.66
BMO Nesbitt Burns (Oaks Fund)	\$378.29
Misc Expenses	\$270.96
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$153,544.40</b>

<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$31,840.73</b>
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## Appendix

### \*Accounting Notes

- 1) Revenue and expenses for the 2003 Annual Meeting are counted in fiscal year 2005.
- 2) For the 2003 Eastern Regional Meeting, the net profit is counted in fiscal year 2005 (total revenue and total expenses are not known).
- 3) The revenue and expenses for the 2004 Eastern Regional Meeting will be counted in fiscal year 2006. Net profit for the meeting was \$1,946.81 (already deposited in CSPP account, but too late for fiscal 2005).
- 4) CCM meeting seed money has been totally repaid. Final accounting for the meeting is not yet complete.

\*\*PUBS = Prairie Universities Biological Symposia

## Appendix

**Proposed Operating Budget**  
CSPP/SCPV  
Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2006.

### REVENUE

Membership dues	\$9,000.00
Duff Student Travel Donations	\$1,000.00
Oaks Scholarship Donations	\$1,000.00
Plant Canada 2005	\$66,000.00
Western Regional Meeting	\$3,000.00
Eastern Regional Meeting	\$7,000.00
Donation by Ann Oaks for Insurance Premium	\$3,184.00
Revenue from CSPP/SCPV Investments	\$2,100.00
Revenue from Oaks Investments	\$500.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$92,784.00</b>

### EXPENSES

Duff Student Travel Awards	\$4,000.00
Other Awards	\$2,500.00
Plant Canada 2005	\$65,000.00
Western Regional Meeting	\$3,000.00
Eastern Regional Meeting	\$7,000.00
Oaks Life Insurance Premium	\$3,184.00
Website	\$400.00
Postage	\$350.00
Banking and Credit Card Fees	\$275.00
Society Insurance	\$725.00
Treasurer's Expenses	\$250.00
Printing	\$100.00
Membership Directory	\$3,500.00
Gold Medal	\$847.75
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$1,500.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$92,554.75</b>

<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>\$152.25</b>
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## Appendix

### Assets and Investments Society "Big Picture"

	Apr. 30/02	Apr. 30/03	Apr. 30/04	Apr. 30/05
<b>CSPP/SCPV Inc.</b>				
Chequing Account	\$14,021.91	\$4,485.62	\$4,345.06	\$4,243.06
GIC (CIBC)	--	\$2,124.00	--	
<b>CSPP/SCPV</b>				
Chequing Account (non-Oaks)	\$4,497.65	\$13,101.67	\$6,733.86	\$36,427.86
Money Market Fund (CIBC)	\$16,136.53	\$16,453.62	\$16,760.23	\$16,905.54
BMO Nesbitt Burns (CSPP/SCPV)	\$41,027.65	\$43,180.88	\$46,345.78	\$47,518.26
Univ. of Regina CSPP Account	--	\$570.62	\$151.91	104.15
Gold Medals (estimate)	\$1,050.00	--	\$5,086.51	\$5,086.51
<b>Society Assets</b>	<b>\$76,733.74</b>	<b>\$79,916.41</b>	<b>\$79,423.75</b>	<b>\$110,285.38*</b>

\*Does not include the profit (\$1,900) from the 2005 Eastern Regional Meeting.

### Society Membership

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total Members</b>	<b>Full Members</b>	<b>Annual Meeting Site</b>
1997	252	102	Vancouver, BC
1998	343	132	Montréal, QC
1999	491	237	Saskatoon, SK
2000	464	216	London, ON
2001	380	199	Providence, RI
2002	439	213	Calgary, AB
2003	348	181	Antigonish, NS
2004	413	180	Guelph, ON
2005 (incomplete)	338	166	Edmonton, AB