1. Quorum (attendance taken)

David Bird  Peta Bonham-Smith  Shelley Hepworth
Robin Cameron  Eric Fedosejevs  Shelley Lumba
Daphne Goring  Garrett Nunn  Steeve Pépin
Isabel Desgagné-Penix  Geoff Wastenays  Susanne Kohalmi
Douglas Muench  Heather McFarlane  Ken Wilson
Eliana Gonzales-Vigil  Jollanda Effendy  Amirhossein Jafari
Harold Weger  Line Lapointe  Bidhendi
JB Charron  Liz Brauer  Anja Geitmann
Mark Belmonte  Ian Major  George Haughn
Mendel Perkins  Mehran Dastmalchi  Bourlaye Fofana
Moira Galway  Michael Stasiak  Jennifer Hoogenboom
François Oulett  Olivia Wilkins  Mina Ghahremani
Owen Rowland  Qing-Lai Dang  Annette Nassuth
Sheila Macfie  Robert Mullen  Andre Laroche
Raju Soolanayakanahally  Ryan Eng  Adam Mott

2. Accept agenda

Motion: Accept Agenda as distributed. Robin Cameron/Geoff Wastenays
Carried

3. Receive minutes of the 2019 Annual Business Meeting in Guelph ON

Motion: Accept 2019 minutes. Robin Cameron/Sheila Macfie
Carried

4. Reports of the Officers (includes Treasurer’s motions)
   a. President’s Report (included in Agenda Package)
   b. Vice-President’s Report (included in Agenda Package)
   c. Treasurer’s Report (included in Agenda Package)

Question from the floor: have we not already provided Saskatoon with seed money?
   • No, funds weren’t requested before the event was cancelled.

Carried.

d. ERD Report (included in Agenda Package)

e. WRD Report (included in Agenda Package)

f. Student/PDF Representative's Report (included in Agenda Package)

g. Education Director's Report
   1. Described one project: self-compatible Fast Plants
      - Offering germplasm & teaching resources to teachers GTA this Fall
      - 2021: will have teaching resources available from the CSPB website
      - Interested in being a "local stock centre" for your area?

h. Communications Director's Report
   1. New website launch: End of September
      • New features:
        1. Membership registration
        2. Communication directly (email)
        3. Bulletin
        4. Educational portal
        5. Conference registrations
        6. Advertisements for positions

i. Science Director's Report (included in Agenda Package)
   1. Summarized activities of PAGSE (CSPB-SCBV is a member of PAGSE)
      • Education group targeting Parliamentarians and Senators)
        1. Two flagship programs: "Bacon and Eggheads" breakfast series – invited speaker for Parliamentarians
        2. SciEng pages – summary of state of knowledge and policy around current issues
      • Recent recommendations to House of Commons
        1. Ensure post-COVID economic recovery use Sci&Engg approaches to build resiliency
        2. Invest in Research
        3. Invest in students

5. Business arising
a. CSPB 2020 Award Announcements
   1. Mary E Spencer Award for 2020: Anja Geitmann
   2. CD Nelson Award for 2020: Mark Belmonte
   3. Carl Douglas Prize for 2020: Philip Carella
   4. Ragai Ibrahim Award for Best student paper for 2020: Mina Ghahremani, honorable mention: Sam Livingston

b. CSPB-SCBV Proposed By-Law Amendments - to be voted upon. By-Law 11e – Annual Meeting of Members as a Virtual Meeting
   1. Motion: That the CSPB-SCBV members approve that the following new clause is added under By-Law 11 - Meeting of Members: e) The Board of Directors can make the decision to hold the annual meeting of members as a Virtual Meeting if deemed necessary. Daphne/Anja Geitmann. Carried.

c. Motion: to withdraw CSPB membership from GPC (to be represented at GPC by Plant Canada instead). Daphne Goring/Raju Soolanayakanahally.

Question: Would this result in a loss of voting rights?
Answer: CSPB-SCBV would relinquish its voting rights in the GPC. For perspective: The US has a single representative, the ASPB. Plant Canada would represent the seven Canadian Plant Societies and will likely seek further funding from these societies to cover the GPC membership fees.

Question: Are there any other individual Canadian Plant societies as members?
Answer: No, only the CSPB-SCBV was an individual member.

Question: Optics of a founding member pulling out?
Answer: GW: can't comment on the optics, but this is a significant cost to the CSPB both in membership fees and the travel expenses to attend business meetings
Answer: SM: not really pulling out, we would still be represented by Plant Canada.

d. Future CSPB Meetings
   1. 2020 CSPB Virtual Meeting Nov 7, 12-6 EST
   2. 2021 CSPB Saskatoon
   3. 2022 Joint CSPB/ASPB Portland
   4. 2023

6. Election of officers (Senior Director Jean-Benoit Charron)
   a. Nominations for Western Regional Director (Doug Muench) and Secretary (David Bird) (appointments were extended until Aug 26th using By-law 6)
   b. Additional nomination
   c. **Motion:** Accept slate of nominations. Jean-Benoit Charron/Annette Nassuth. **Carried.**

7. Thanks to outgoing executive
   a. Thank you for Ryan Eng for your enthusiasm and creative ideas for workshops.

8. Other Business

9. Adjournment
   a. **Move to Adjourn.** Robin Cameron/Anja Geitmann. **Carried.**