

**Acadian Entomological Society 75th Annual Business Meeting  
June 28, 2016**

Details: 22 people attended.

**1. Call to order**

First: Franck Gandiaga

Second: Allyson Heustis

**2. Approval of Agenda**

First: Jeff Ogden

Second: Gaétan Moreau

**3. Approval of minutes from 2015**

First: Chris

Second: Frank Gandiaga

**4. Business arising from the 2015 Minutes**

None

**5. President's Report**

President's report

- ~20 people registered for this year's meeting. Likely a combination of factors contributed to this decline from a typical year; hopefully we will see resurgence next year.

- Congratulate to the students for their talks and posters.

- Thanks the Delta Beausejour for accommodating us, and Gaetan Moreau and Monic Thibault for taking care of all local arrangements and for organizing the meeting in general.

- Thanks to Pump House for their hospitality at the mixer.

- MANY thanks to our sponsors for this meeting, Syngenta, WBPANS, Jasper Wyman and Sons, and NRCan all of whom are returning sponsors and vendors from last year

- Thanks to judges and moderators

- Thanks to Allyson Heustis and Mallory McDonnell for taking pictures.

- Finally, thanks to all our Executive members, Trustees, and Editors of the JAES journal. Without their efforts, there would be no AES

**6. Journal Editor's Report**

This report gives the status of the Journal of the Acadian Entomological Society since last year's AGM in Fredericton, NB:

**Published – 2 Notes; 2 Manuscripts with Abstracts**

**Galleys in Preparation – 2**  
**Resubmit and Currently with Reviewers – 1**  
**Currently with Authors – 2** (both with Major Revisions)  
**Major Revision** (author reconsidering submission) – 1  
**New Submission - 1**

I would like to thank our Associate Editors (Chris Cutler, Rob Johns, Chris Majka, Gaétan Moreau, and Peter Silk) for their assistance in moving our manuscripts through the review process.

Again as suggested in previous years, some discussion should center on how to encourage more submissions. What are the feelings of the group about the review process, i.e., are the reviews too critical? Are the types of manuscripts too restrictive? Is the process too long? (**Editor's Note:** I have tried to impress upon the Associate Editors the need for keeping their reviewers to the time frame for the review process. I will continue to do this).

In addition, should the publication fees be increased? We have not had any increase in fees since the inception of the Journal in 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Ostaff  
Editor, JAES

## **7. Treasurer's Report**

Missing

## **8. Regional Director's Report**

There isn't much to say about current affairs at the Entomological Society of Canada. The Society is in good financial health and everything is running smoothly. The only item of interest for the AES that was raised during the last Board of Directors Meeting of June 9, 2016 is point 5.4.1 entitled "Notice to AES for 2019 JAM". The ESC Board noted that the 2019 JAM is due to be hosted by the AES. I reported that the AES Board was meeting soon and would discuss planning for the meeting. Are we ready to host the meeting? If yes, where?

I also would like to remind everyone of the impending meeting in Orlando (ESA/ESC-ICE). It is too late to present but it is still possible to register to attend the meeting.

Gaétan Moreau, Regional rep to the ESC

## **9. New Business**

a. Bylaw amendments

**Proposed change:** Remove "neighbouring New England States" from bylaws

Explanation: NE states are no longer members of the society and have not been for many years, though their participation is both welcome and encouraged. Text is found in both Bylaw 3 and 7.4

Current wording:

**Bylaw 3.** To bring about a close association of entomologists and those interested in entomology in the four Atlantic Provinces **and the neighbouring New England States**, and to cooperate with and to support the incorporated Entomological Society of Canada.

**Bylaw 7.4** Regional representatives will be elected from each of the jurisdictions (**Atlantic Provinces and neighbouring New England states**) not represented by the Vice President and President, ensuring representation on the Executive of all Acadian jurisdictions.

Proposed wording:

**Bylaw 3.** To bring about a close association of entomologists and those interested in entomology in the four Atlantic Provinces, and to cooperate with and to support the incorporated Entomological Society of Canada.

**Bylaw 7.4** Regional representatives will be elected from each of the jurisdictions not represented by the Vice President and President, ensuring representation on the Executive of all Acadian jurisdictions.

Motion to accept the proposed Bylaw Amendment: Gaétan Moreau

Second: Chris

Motion put to vote: Yes = 22 No = 0

Proposed change: **Bylaw 4.2(c)** Remove requirement that honorary members must to pay dues to vote.

Explanation: We currently have 2-4 living, honorary members, their attendance at meetings is rare, however the values of having them attend and vote is greater than the cost of membership dues.

Current wording:

**Bylaw 4.2c)** Honorary members are not required to pay dues but may also become regular members if they desire voting privileges.

*Proposed wording:*

**Bylaw 4.2c)** Honorary members are not required to pay dues and are considered regular members for the purpose of voting privileges.

Motion to accept the proposed Bylaw Amendment:

Second: Franck Gandiaga

Motion put to vote: Suzanne Blatt

Vote Yes = 22 No = 0

Proposed change: **Bylaw 7/ 9** Reduction of Executive terms (VP and President) from two-year terms to one-year terms (each).

Explanation: At the 2015 ABM, it was suggested that a reduction in term lengths would make positions on the executive more enticing to graduate level students and membership at large. The current

standard has largely been a convenience for when meetings were held in the same province for two consecutive years, a practice that has largely been abandoned.

Current wording:

**Bylaw 7.1** The Vice-President shall be from a jurisdiction not represented by the President, and be elected in odd numbered years and shall hold office for one year. Following the year as Vice President, the Vice President will assume the duties of President for a further year. The newly elected officers shall take office following the completion of business at the annual meeting.

### **Bylaw 9**

Elections shall be held every odd numbered year at a meeting of the membership. Every odd numbered year shall be termed the election.

**9.1** The president shall appoint a nominating committee of three members two months before the meeting of the election year. This committee shall secure a member's permission before proposing his name for office, and shall submit one or more names for each office. The retiring President shall be a nominee for the office of Representative on the Board of Directors of the incorporated Entomological Society of Canada, providing he or she is a member of good standing of the latter Society and is able to act.

Proposed change

**Bylaw 7.1** The Vice-President shall be from a jurisdiction not represented by the President, shall hold office for one year. Following the year as Vice President, the Vice President will assume the duties of President for a further year. The newly elected officers shall take office following the completion of business at the annual meeting.

### **Bylaw 9**

Elections shall be held every year at a meeting of the membership.

**9.1** The retiring President shall be a nominee for the office of Representative on the Board of Directors of the incorporated Entomological Society of Canada, providing he or she is a member of good standing of the latter Society and is able to act.

Motion to accept the proposed Bylaw removal: Gaétan Moreau

Second: Allyson Heustis

Motion put to vote: Yes = 21 No = 0 Abstained = 1

Proposal to strike the following bylaws/committees: Membership committee, Archives Committee, Pest Management committee

Explanation: Committee descriptions are below. When the society formed there were no entities that were responsible for these tasks, now there are numerous archives and pest management groups.

These roles have not been filled in many years and are obsolete. The role of the Membership committee is largely that of the Region Rep and no longer valid.

#### 11.1 Membership Committee

The membership committee shall consist of three members appointed by the president plus the Secretary/Treasurer as Chairman. The Committee shall represent the Atlantic Provinces geographically and shall be guided by the procedures recommended by the Membership Committee of the Entomological Society of Canada and shall cooperate with that Committee.

#### 11.2 Archives Committee

The Library Committee consists of four members appointed by the President. The Committee shall represent the Atlantic Provinces geographically and shall collect articles, reprints and books by members and former members and articles, reports, and books about entomology in the region and care for them in a library or archives.

#### 11.3 Pest Management Committee

The Pest Management Committee consists of three members appointed by the President. The Committee shall represent the Atlantic Provinces geographically. The function of the committee is to provide opinions on pest management matters in the name of the Society to the general public and handle such other pest management related duties as requested by the President.

Motion to accept the proposed Bylaw removal: Gaétan Moreau

Second: Franck Gandiaga

Motion put to vote: Yes = 22 No =0

b. Election of Vice-President (if Bylaw 7.1 & 9 are amended):

Nomination for VP: Emily Owens

Seeing no other interest or nominees Emily Owens is now the VP for the AES

c. 2017 Annual Meeting (location)

- NFLD proposed but cost of attending could be an issue
- Discussion: is NFLD the best location for the next meeting, is there any other locations the society would like to suggest
- Executive will continue to look into choice of the next meeting location and gather opinions from members
- Meeting location will be announced on the website once decided

d. 2019 Joint Annual General Meeting with Entomological Society of Canada

- Members should start thinking about co-hosting meeting and work involved
- As a small society we should ask for help hosting the meeting (we're the smallest society)
- NB as possible location (Moncton or Fredericton could work)
- NFLD would be another possibility but potentially fewer people available to help out locally

10. Motion to Adjourn

First: Gaétan Moreau

Second: Mallory MacDonnell

Meeting Adjourned time: 5:30pm