

**85th Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Branch,
Entomological Society of America
March 19-22, 2011, San Juan, Puerto Rico**

FINAL BUSINESS MEETING

1. Call to Order – Frank Hale, President SEB-ESA

Hale called the meeting to order at 5:04pm in the Caribe Hilton Hotel Auditorium, San Juan, Puerto Rico, on March 22, 2011. There were 49 in attendance when the meeting was called; there was a quorum (35 required). President Hale welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Reading of 2010 Minutes – David Hall, Secretary/Treasurer

Hall stated that the minutes were posted on the website and were also available at the current meeting. Mike Williams made a motion to suspend reading of the minutes and to adopt the minutes as published. Jerome Grant seconded the motion and it passed unanimously on voice vote.

3. Financial Report – David Hall, Secretary/Treasurer

We have two accounts with PNC, a checking account and a money market account. During April 2010, a CD with PNC was established (\$50,000), the expiration date is April 1, 2011. Through registration fees, sponsor donations, and display table income, approximately \$71,080 has been raised for the meeting. As of March 17, 2011, there was a checking account balance of \$74,180.00 and a money market balance of \$3,708. With interest, the CD was valued at \$50,562.69 as of 3/14/11. A total of \$25,620.12 had been spent toward the meeting as of March 17 (on award plaques, supplies for the meeting, shipping costs, program printing, and deposits for tours).

With ESA Central's (Richard Levine) considerable assistance, early registrations this year were handled through a PayPal account and a Constant Contact registration website. Registration payment options were by credit card (instant payment) or by check (payment for most greatly delayed). A Virtual Terminal account was established with PayPal (\$30 monthly, will cancel after this meeting) to facilitate credit card payments at the meeting.

Joe Eger made a motion to accept the Financial Summary. The motion was seconded by Seth Johnson and passed on voice vote.

4. Auditing Committee Report – Catharine Mannion (Chairman)

The committee met on 3/22/11 at 7:00 am. Members of the committee were Catharine Mannion, David Buntin, and JC Chong (in place for Dennis Ring). The committee checked the bank statements and Quicken account from January 31, 2010 to February 28, 2011 (final bank statement). The books were in order and all receipts were account for except for an anti-virus program renewal (\$74.54). There was a balance of \$60,574.85, \$18,707.96 and \$50,000 for the checking, money market and certificate of deposit, respectively, on February 28, 2011. This report will be included in the records of the Secretary/Treasurer. Mike Williams moved to accept the report, Fred Musser seconded, passed by voice vote.

Note from Secretary/Treasurer Hall: a receipt for the Norton software was added to the record book on 3/31/2011.

5. Proposed Budget Report – David Hall, Secretary/Treasurer

Hall passed out the proposed budget for 2011-12. The proposed 2011-12 budget approved at the March 19, 2011 Executive Committee Meeting carried \$37,250 income (\$800 more than the previous budget) and a total of \$36,250 in expenses (\$100 less than the previous budget). The proposed budget for 2011-12 showed an ending net balance of \$1,000. The changes included: removing a one-time \$1,000 donation to NC State for SEB archives; removing \$1,000 for student travel allocated for the Puerto Rico meeting; maintaining a reduced travel budget for Secretary/Treasurer (originally reduced by \$550 starting with the 2010-2011 budget; maintaining line items for shipping meeting materials to the 2012 meeting; restoring Executive Committee and invited speaker travel funds, and maintaining the Bank Fees line item at \$100; increasing ESA Program Enhancement funds by \$1,300; increasing program printing costs from \$1,000 to \$1,200; and increasing Linnaean Game Team Awards from \$600 to \$1,000.

Joe Eger made a motion to accept the proposed budget with amended footnotes. The motion was seconded by Greg Hodges and it passed on voice vote.

6. Committee Reports

a. Local Arrangements Committee – Alvin Simmons

Committee Members: Tugrul Giray (Co-Chair); Alvin M. Simmons (Co-Chair); Jose C.V. Rodrigues (Co-Chair); Rosa Franqui; Alex Segarra; David Jenkins; Aixa Ramirez-Lluch; Bert Rivera-Marchand; Shirley Cruz (Student); Jason Trinidad-Perez; and David Hall, Ex-officio.

The co-chairs thank all members of the Local Arrangement Committee (LAC) for their dedicated service. The committee co-arranged the joint meeting for SEB-ESA and APS-CD (American Phytopathology Society-Caribbean Division). LAC worked very closely with organizers of APS-Caribbean Division. In addition, LAC worked closely with the SEB Secretary/Treasurer, co-chairs of the SEB Program Committee, SEB Sponsorship Committee, and Conference Direct. Initial hotel search was conducted through Conference Direct. Hotel bids were provided through the Chicago Office of the Puerto Rico Conventions Bureau, which was handled by Aileen Laracuate. Final hotel selection was made after meeting with Rosanna Lampaya of the Caribe Hilton Hotel. The contract was signed by David Hall (Secretary-Treasurer SEB). After the contract was signed, primary hotel contact was made with Gloriann Torres. LAC worked with Kristin House and Morgan Klinkradt (Conference Direct) a few days before the meeting. Their extra work helped with some late arrangements and helped save on our expenses.

Room block was much higher than usual because this was planned as a joint meeting and because the meeting was planned to be one day longer than our usual meetings. The hotel has 646 guest rooms and 264 Villas. We had a total room block of 770 room nights, and exceeded the block about 3 weeks before the reservation deadline. Additional rooms were added to the block, without performance obligation. About 1.5 weeks before the deadline, there were no more vacancies. We sought an overflow hotel through the Puerto Rico Conventions Bureau. Many had little or no room because March is a busy time for them. A day before the original deadline, Alvin Simmons signed a contract containing no penalty for non-performance, for a block of rooms with the Conrad Hilton. The block was for 2 weeks; a day before that deadline, there were 53 room nights reserved. Although the room nights for our group at the Caribe Hilton peaked at 1,059 room nights 2 weeks before the meeting, it since dropped to 989 room nights the week before the meeting. There was a final total of 1,114 room nights (both hotels) that was used during this meeting.

Penalties could have been assessed had we not reached 80% of our room block. Concessions provided 4 upgrades and one complimentary room for every 40 occupied paid rooms. Also, the 14% Resort fee and in-room internet charge were waived. Also, because we needed several more meeting rooms than were contracted, we made a verbal agreement to increase the minimal food and beverage from \$9,000 to \$14,000 in exchange for more complimentary meeting rooms. In addition, just before the meeting, the hotel agreed to reduce the daily rate for internet for the registration table by about 60% and to remove the rental fee for the tables for the posters, but to keep the service charge on the poster tables.

There were some early problems with both the online and call-in room booking regarding room availability of rooms in the block, but that was mostly handled by the addition of more rooms to the block. Eventually, there were no vacancies in either hotel. The overflow hotel did not waive the 14% Resort fee.

Unlike our regular meeting, in addition to a continental breakfast on the first full meeting day, we also had a continental breakfast on the last day, as well as a final reception on the last day. Because of the higher registration rate than our regular meetings, in-kind and direct sponsorship, and rental of 2 exhibit booths, we were able to provide the cost for the additional events, including transportation and lunch for the tours. There were three separate tours: El Yunque Tropical Rain Forest, tropical fruit production, and crop production. We had an Associate Program which included a room for them to meet, presentation of tourist information, transportation to and from the largest mall in the Caribbean, and a visit to a museum and Old San Juan.

b. Annual Meeting Sponsorship – Scott Stewart

Members: Scott Stewart, TN, Co-Chair; Aixa Ramirez Lluch, PR, Co-Chair; Nancy Hinkle, GA; Jerome Goddard, MS; Jeff Gore, MS; Will Hudson, GA; Mark Abney, NC; David Schuster, FL; Karen Vail, TN; Dan Suiter, GA; Phillip Roberts, GA

The *ad hoc* Annual Meeting Sponsorship Committee corresponded by email and phone to identify potential sponsors for the 2011 SEB-ESA Annual Meeting in Puerto Rico. Sponsors

and contacts from the 2010 Annual Meeting were obtained from the previous chair (Phillip Roberts) and potential new sponsors were also identified. A total of 19 potential sponsors were contacted, with 15 making contributions. The committee raised a total of \$11,250. The \$1,000 contribution from the University of Tennessee must be invoiced (c/o Scott Stewart) for reimbursement of meeting costs not to include alcohol. The table below provides a summary of contributions. A listing of sponsors and sponsorship levels was recognized in the program. Six Gold Level Sponsors received a free meeting registration for one individual in their respective companies.

2011 Sponsorship Levels for SEB ESA (Puerto Rico)

Sponsor	\$ Amount Received	Sponsorship Class	Free Registration for Gold Sponsors
BASF	1,000	Gold	Accepted
Dow AgroSciences	1,000	Gold	Accepted
DuPont	1,000	Gold	Accepted
MANA	1,000	Gold	Declined
Monsanto	1,000	Gold	Accepted
Syngenta	1,000	Gold	Accepted
Valent	1,000	Gold	Accepted
UT Entomology	1,000	Gold	Declined
AMVAC	500	Silver	N/a
Bayer CropScience	500	Silver	N/a
Cheminova	500	Silver	N/a
Chemtura	500	Silver	N/a
FMC	500	Silver	N/a
Nichino	500	Silver	N/a
Great Lakes IPM	250	Bronze	N/a

Total \$ 11,250.00

There were additional sponsors who provided in-kind support at the Gold Level (Integral Fund for the Development of Agriculture for Puerto Rico, Municipality of San Juan, Puerto Rico Convention Bureau, Rums of Puerto Rico, University of Puerto Rico-Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Puerto Rico-Agricultural Extension Service, University of Puerto Rico-Mayagüez Campus), Silver Level (Agroservicios), and Bronze Level (Martex Tropical Fruit Farm, Oliver Exterminating, and RiceTec Inc).

c. Program Committee – ‘JC’ Chong

Committee Chairs:

Juang-Horng ‘JC’ Chong, SC, Co-Chair
Raymond Hix, FL, Co-Chair

ESA-SEB Committee Members:

Juang-Horng “JC” Chong, Clemson Univ.
Raymond Hix, Florida A&M Univ.
Amanda Hodges, Univ. of Florida
John Ruberson, *ex officio*, Univ. of Georgia

APS-CD Committee Members:

Jose C. V. Rodrigues, Univ. of Puerto Rico
Consuelo Estévez, Univ. of Puerto Rico
José A. Chavarria, Univ. of Puerto Rico
Rosa A. Franqui, Univ. of Puerto Rico
Mildred Zapata, Univ. of Puerto Rico
Judith Brown, Univ. of Arizona

This Joint Meeting of the APS-CD and ESA-SEB has been a great undertaking for the Program Committee. The abstract submission process is greatly simplified by an online system prepared by Mike Caprio of Mississippi State University. Mike graciously agreed to provide this invaluable service to the Joint Meeting, and for that, we owe Mike a huge debt of gratitude. Hopefully the ESA headquarters will be able to handle the online submission for the SEB-SWB Joint Meeting next year so we can finally take the load off Mike’s back.

We also want to thank David Hall of USDA-ARS and Lydia Rivera-Vargas of University of Puerto Rico for easing the communication with memberships of the respective societies, passing on information about registration, abstract submission, and other program information.

The Joint Meeting program includes a total of 3 student papers sessions, 3 student posters sessions, 2 regular posters sessions, 4 contributed paper sessions, and 23 symposia. In total, 288 papers and 70 posters were presented in this Joint Meeting (excluding additions and cancellations after the press of the program booklet), which is more than the numbers of papers and posters presented at the past 5 ESA-SEB meetings (see the attached tables). The great meeting location of San Juan, Puerto Rico certainly attracted many of the attendees, but the enthusiasm of our colleagues to share their scientific findings cannot be discounted.

This level of participation, especially the numbers of organized symposia, is not possible without the help of 11 moderators and 39 symposium organizers. The symposium organizers are: Ralph Bagwell, Julien Beuzelin, Blake Bextine, Judith Brown, Jose Chavarria, Ted Cottrell, Robert Coulson, Carla Dilling, Joe Eger, Consuelo Estevez, Wayne Gardner, Kris Giles, Tugrul Giray, Jeremy Greene, Carmen Greenwood, Muhammed

Haseeb, Dan Herm, Amanda Hodges, Greg Hodges, Natalie Hummel, Brian Irish, David Jenkins, Moses Kairo, Shripat Kamble, Catharine Mannion, Cary Minter, Albert Mulenga, Ron Ochoa, Jorge Pena, Patricia Pietrantonio, Jose C. V. Rodrigues, David Shapiro-Ilan, Caydee Savinelli, Alvin Simmons, Fred Stephen, Dan Suiter, Babu Srinivasan, Raul Villanueva, and Beverly Wiltz. These organizers recruited the speakers, organized the agendas, and moderated the symposia. The session moderators are: Clare Allen, Ron Brlansky, Marisol Davila-Negron, Ronald French-Monar, Jeremy Greene, Lambert Kanga, Paul Kendra, Oscar Liburd, Andrew Rasmussen, Glynn Tillman, and Paul Vincelli.

Dr. Judith Brown of the University of Arizona gave the plenary presentation, entitled 'From biotypes and phylogenetic biology, to new generation sequencing technologies to unravel the mysteries of the *Bemisia tabaci* sibling species complex.'

SAC-12, NCAC-15 and S-1034 Regional Projects are having their meetings in conjunction with the Joint Meeting of APS-CD and ESA-SEB.

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Table 1. Numbers of papers and posters in each session for the 2011 Joint Meeting of APS-CD and ESA-SEB.

Session	Paper	Poster
APS-CD Student Competitions	8	9
ESA-SEB MS Student Competitions	21	10
ESA-SEB PhD Student Competitions	23	8
ESA-SEB Contributed Papers/Posters:		
Plant-Insect Ecosystems and Crop Protection	35	36
Integrative Physiological, Toxicological, and Molecular Insect System	3	2
Structural, Veterinary, and Public Health Systems	4	9
Systematics, Morphology, Evolution, Biodiversity	3	3
APS-CD Contributed Papers/Posters:		3
Disease Detection and Management	12	
Symposium:		
Turf and Ornamentals Entomology	17	
Urban Entomology	18	
Vegetable Entomology	8	
Whitefly-Transmitted Geminiviruses: in honor of Julio Bird	8	
Weed Biological Control Projects in the Region	9	
Advances in Acarology	11	
Black Sigatoka Symposium	5	
Acarology in Post-Genomic Era	8	
Behavioral Plasticity from Neural to Evolutionary Scale	7	
Invasive Pests and Diseases of Palm	9	
Current Status and Pest Potential of <i>Megacopta cribraria</i>	7	
New Generation Diagnostics for Pathogens and Their Management	7	
CSI Puerto Rico: Advances in Forensic Entomology	8	
Entomologists as Educators	11	
Phyto-Arboviruses in Agroecosystems	12	
Arthropod-Host-Pathogen Interactions	6	
Invasive Alien Species in the Caribbean Basin of Concern to the US	8	
Invasive Forest Insects and Diseases	10	
Sustainable Orchards	10	
<i>Total number of student papers/posters</i>	52	17
<i>Total number of contributed papers/posters</i>	57	53
<i>Total number of symposium papers</i>	179	-
<i>Grand total</i>	288	70

Table 2. A comparison of the numbers of papers and posters presented at the 2011 Joint Meeting of APS-CD and ESA-SEB by SEB members to previous 3 years.

	2008	2009	2010	2011
Regular and symposium papers	110	98	84	189
Regular posters	30	31	48	50
MS student papers	12	25	21	21
MS student posters	3	5	9	10
PhD student papers	19	27	21	23
PhD student posters	19	12	11	8
<i>Total student presentations</i>	53	69	62	62
<i>Total regular presentations</i>	140	129	132	239
<i>Grand total</i>	193	198	194	301

We have learned several lessons along the process:

1. A clear communication for the abstract submission process is needed for the next joint meeting. Some of the abstracts were submitted to different websites and people and the chore of corralling these stray abstracts was difficult. As a result, some titles that were submitted did not make it into the program book. Two oral papers and one poster were added in the program addendum.
2. By the time the program addendum was prepared, 13 papers were cancelled.

d. Membership – David Jenkins for David Orr

ESA membership has some continuing initiatives designed to recruit and retain membership. Membership remains strong (about 6000 members). We have three charges from President Delfosse: 1) Development of a database of Biology Department Heads to be contacted in an effort to recruit students/staff from these institutions. Database is complete and we have initiated contact. We will follow up in the coming months. 2) Development of membership committees at the branch level to coordinate communications concerning membership recruitment. 3) Develop a policy for the President’s Circle Membership, to be proposed at the Governing Board Meeting this summer.

e. Resolutions Committee – Rob Meagher for Dak Seal

Members of the Resolutions Committee include Dakshina R. Seal (FL) (Chair), Gary L. Leibee (FL), and Glenn Studebaker (AR). Most of the Committee’s work was completed during the Branch meeting, where the Resolutions were compiled and posted 24 hours before the Final Business Meeting. The assistance of President Frank Hale (TN), President-Elect Norm Leppla (FL), Past-President Kris Braman (GA), Program Co-Chairs Juang-Horng ‘JC’ Chong (SC) and Raymond Hix (FL), and Local Arrangements Co-Chairs Tugrul Giray (PR), Alvin Simmons (SC), and Jose C. V. Rodrigues (PR) in finalizing the Resolutions was greatly appreciated.

Prior to the Branch meeting, an e-mail message was sent on March 3, 2011 to all members, via David Hall (Secretary/treasurer, SEB-ESA), to remind members that they can submit resolutions for presentation at the Annual Meeting. The message provided is listed below:

"Please submit any resolutions to the Resolutions Committee at least 28 hours prior to the Final Business Meeting on Tuesday, March 22 (**resolutions must be received no later than 2:00 pm on Monday, March 21**). Submit resolutions to members of the Resolutions Committee: Dakshina Seal (FL), Gary Leibee (FL) (email only, gllleibee@ufl.edu), or Glenn Studebaker (AR). For your perusal, the proposed Resolutions will be posted in a prominent location near the registration area 24 hours prior to the Final Business Meeting."

Suggestions for modification to the Guidelines for the Resolutions Committee were provided to President-Elect Norm Leppla for consideration.

A request was made to ESA for a listing of deceased members of SEB-ESA (those who died during the past year). Chris Stelzig of ESA Member Services responded on March 10, 2011 that the ESA database was not showing any records of deceased members from SEB-ESA for the past year. An email message was sent out to SEB-ESA membership on March 15, 2011 requesting names of deceased members. The message provided is listed below:

"Please send us the names of SEB-ESA members who have died during the past year so that we may recognize them in a resolution at our upcoming meeting. Please submit the names to the Resolutions Committee at least 28 hours prior to the Final Business Meeting on Tuesday, March 22 (**names should be received by 2:00 pm on Monday, March 21**). Please give the names to Dakshina Seal (FL) or Glenn Studebaker (AR) at the meeting or by email to [Gary Leibee](mailto:GaryLeibee@ufl.edu) (gllleibee@ufl.edu) prior to above deadline. Names will be listed in proposed resolutions that will be posted for review near the registration area 24 hours prior to the Final Business Meeting."

Names of deceased members also were sought at the Executive Committee Meeting and at the Opening Session and Business Meeting.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE 85th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHEASTERN BRANCH OF THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA (read by Rob Meagher)

Whereas, we have been saddened by the passing of the following members of this Branch during the past year:

Dr. Arden O. Lea, Green Valley, AZ

John W. Chapman

William J. Schroeder

Therefore,

(Resolution #1)

Be it resolved, that we stand for a moment of silence in memory of these friends and colleagues, and that the Branch President send a letter of condolence to their families.

Whereas the success of the 85th Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Branch of the Entomological Society of America is due to the efforts of officers and committees and other members of the Branch, therefore,

(Resolution #2)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch express gratitude to the Branch President, Frank Hale; President-Elect, Norm Leppla; Past-President, Kris Braman; Secretary-Treasurer, David Hall; Governing Board Representative, Mimm Williams, and Members-at-Large, Ralph Bagwell, Nancy Hinkle, and Eileen Buss, for their leadership in and management of the affairs of the Branch during the year; and

(Resolution #3)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch recognize the excellent and important efforts of the Program Committee, co-chaired by Juang-Horng 'JC' Chong (SC) and Raymond Hix (FL), for developing an excellent, appropriate, timely and informative program; and

(Resolution #4)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch recognize the efforts of the Local Arrangements Committee, co-chaired by Tugrul Giray (PR), Alvin Simmons (SC), and Jose Rodrigues (PR), for arrangements prior to and during this meeting; and

(Resolution #5)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch recognize the efforts of the Program and Local Arrangements Committees for organizing and loading electronic presentations on laptop computers for meeting sessions; and

(Resolution #6)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch recognize the efforts of Mike Caprio for his continued contributions to the automation of the SEB-ESA website for submission of presentation titles for inclusion in the meeting program; and

(Resolution #7)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch express our appreciation to Judith Brown for her informative and enjoyable plenary lecture on "From biotypes and phylogenetic biology, to new generation sequencing technologies to unravel the mysteries of the *Bemisia tabaci* sibling species complex." and

(Resolution #8)

Be it resolved, that Secretary/Treasurer, David Hall, on behalf of the members of the Branch, be instructed to express written appreciation to the management and staff of the Caribe Hilton Hotel, San Juan, Puerto Rico, for their cooperation, services and hospitality, which contributed to the completion of a successful and outstanding 85th Annual Meeting; and

(Resolution #9)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch recognize and express our appreciation for the financial contributions of our Gold Sponsors (BASF, DOW AgroSciences, DuPont, Integral

Fund for the Development of Agriculture for Puerto Rico, MANA, Monsanto, Municipality of San Juan, Puerto Rico Convention Bureau, Rums of Puerto Rico, Syngenta, University of Puerto Rico-Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Puerto Rico-Agricultural Extension Service, University of Puerto Rico-Mayaguez Campus, University of Tennessee-Department of Entomology and Plant Pathology, Valent), our Silver Sponsors (Agroservicios, AMVAC, Bayer CropScience, Cheminova, Chemtura, FMC, and Nichino), and our Bronze Sponsors (Great Lakes IPM, Martex Tropical Fruit Farm, Oliver Exterminating, and RiceTec Inc.) for providing support for the mixers, continental breakfasts, coffee breaks, tours, etc. at this meeting.

Whereas, the members of the Southeastern Branch of the Entomological Society of America are proud of the accomplishments and recognition of their fellow members who were nominated by the Branch or their departments for national awards by the parent society, therefore,

(Resolution #10)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch commend the following members for their respective national awards and honors received at the 2010 Entomological Society of America Meeting:

James Oliver, Entomological Foundation's Medal of Honor,

David Boethel, ESA Fellow,

Diane Silcox, Larry Larson Graduate Student Award for Leadership in Applied Entomology,

Rebecca Trout Fryxell, John Henry Comstock Award,

Seth Bybee, Snodgrass Memorial Research Award,

Ameya Gondhalekar, Shripat Kamble Urban Entomology Graduate Student Award for Innovative Research,

Godshen Pallippambil, Starks Plant Resistance to Insects Graduate Student Research Award

and that the members of the Branch commend the following members for their respective 2010 awards:

Keith S. Delaplane, University of GA, SEB-ESA Distinguished Achievement Award in Extension,

Tanja McKay, Arkansas State University, SEB-ESA Distinguished Achievement Award in Teaching,

Dov Borovsky, University of Florida, SEB-ESA Recognition Award in Insect Physiology, Biochemistry and Toxicology,

Henry Y. Fadamiro, Auburn University, Alabma, SEB-ESA Award for Excellence in Integrated Pest Management,

Alvin M. Simmons, USDA-ARS, US Vegetable Laboratory, Charleston, SC, SEB-ESA Award for Excellence in Integrated Pest Management,

Claudia Husseneder, Louisiana State University, SEB-ESA Recognition Award in Urban Entomology,

Brian T. Forschler, University of Georgia, Athens, SEB-ESA Recognition Award in Urban Entomology,

Steven M. Valles, USDA-ARS, Imported Fire Ant and Household Insects Research Unit at the Center for Medical, Agricultural and Veterinary Entomology, Gainesville, FL, SEB-ESA Recognition Award in Entomology,

Wayne Hunter, USDA, ARS, Subtropical Insects Research Unit, U.S. Horticultural Research Lab, Fort Pierce, FL, SEB-ESA Recognition Award in Entomology

Whereas, the members of the Southeastern Branch of the Entomological Society of America are very proud of the accomplishments of their student members, therefore,

(Resolution #11)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch commend the following Student Members for their respective awards:

Rebecca Trout Fryxell, University of Arkansas – 2011 John Henry Comstock Award,

Waseem Akbar, Louisiana State University – 2010 Robert T. Gast Award,

Ankit Kumar, Mississippi State University – 2011 Kirby L. Hays Memorial Award,

Sarah Wong, North Carolina State University - 2010 Southeastern Branch Student Award for Best Paper,

Jamie Dinkins, University of Georgia – 2010 Outstanding M.S. Student Display Award,

Abdul Hakeem, University of Tennessee – 2010 Outstanding Ph.D. Student Display Award,

Jarrod T. Hardke, Louisiana State University, 2010 ESA National Meeting Ten-minute Paper Prize Winner, P-IE, Transgenic & Insecticide Resistance,

Christina Kwapich, Florida State University, 2010 ESA National Meeting Ten-minute Paper Prize Winner, SysEB, Behavior & Ecology,

Sarah A. Maveety, Wake Forest University, 2010 ESA National Meeting Ten-minute Paper Prize Winner, SysEB, Biodiversity,

Derek Mychel Shirley, University of Tennessee, 2010 ESA National Meeting Poster Prize Winner, IPMIS, III,

Jessica L. Houle, North Carolina University, 2010 ESA National Meeting Poster Prize Winner, P-IE, Horticultural IPM,

Megan M. Harvin, Southeastern Louisiana University, 2010 ESA National Meeting Undergraduate Poster Prize Winner, MUVE,

Olivia Frances Boyd, University of Georgia, 2010 ESA National Meeting Undergraduate Poster Prize Winner, SysEB.

Whereas, the Linnaean Games have been enjoyable for both the participants and the audience due to the excellent moderating style of the Games Master Jerome Grant, and the fair and knowledgeable presence of the judges Frank Hale, Del Delfosse and David Jenkins and the preparation and good sportsmanship exhibited by the Linnaean Games Teams, therefore,

(Resolution #12)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch express their appreciation to the participating teams from the University of Florida, Florida A&M University, North Carolina State University, University of Georgia, University of Arkansas, Louisiana State University, Auburn University and their coaches, and to Carla Dilling, University of Tennessee, the student organizer for the Linnaean Games, and congratulate the winning team from North Carolina State University and the second place team from the University of Arkansas. Congratulations also are expressed to the 2010 teams who represented the Branch in the National Linnaean Games competitions in San Diego, CA (University of Georgia 1st place, University of Florida 2nd place).

Whereas, the members of the Southeastern Branch of the Entomological Society of America are grateful for the superior service, leadership and representation of the Branch by Mike Williams and Nancy Hinkle, on the ESA Governing Board, therefore,

(Resolution #13)

Be it resolved, that the members of the Branch express their appreciation to Mike Williams and Nancy Hinkle for their dedicated service as Governing Board Representatives.

Tim Schowalter made a motion to accept the Resolutions as read. David Buntin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

f. Member Awards – Eric Riddick

We thank all nominees for submitting their credentials and allowing us the opportunity to witness the many and diverse accomplishments that they have made to the profession. The 2010-2011 SEB Awards Committee was comprised of the following members:

Eric W. Riddick, MS (2011) Chair
Nannan Liu, AL (2013)
Greg J. Wiggins, TN (2013)
Ellen Thoms, FL (2012)
Fiona Goggin, AR (2011)
Kathleen A. Kidd, NC (2011)

After much thought and re-evaluation, the SEB Member Awards Committee selected the following nominees for awards:

Dov Borovsky - Recognition Award in Insect Physiology, Biochemistry, and Toxicology

Tanja McKay - Distinguished Achievement Award in Teaching

Keith S. Deleplane - Distinguished Achievement Award in Extension

Claudia Husseneder & Brian T. Forschler - Recognition Award in Urban Entomology

Wayne Hunter & Steven M. Valles - Recognition Award in Entomology

Henry Y. Fadamiro & Alvin M. Simmons - Award for Excellence in IPM

Note that the SEB Member Awards Guidelines state that **one or two** nominees can receive awards for the Award for Excellence in IPM, the Recognition Award in Entomology, and the Recognition Award in Urban Entomology. Therefore, we selected the first and second ranked nominees (in these three award categories) to receive recognition. The point spread ranged from 0.2 to 0.7 between the first and second ranked nominees. There were no nominations for the Distinguished Service to the Certification Program.

g. Student Awards – Fred Musser

Committee Members: Fred Musser, MS (2011) Chair; Michael Toews, GA (2011); Tara Smith, LA (2011); Scott Akin, AR (2012); Xing Hu, AL (2012); Juan Jurat-Fuentes, TN (2012); Melissa Siebert, MS (2013); Mark Abney, NC (2013); Gregg Nuessley, FL (2013)

Committee changes implemented since last annual meeting:

1. Undergraduate student level initiated for oral and poster competition. Certificate awarded for 1st place winners. Other rules the same as for graduate student competitions.
2. Guidelines revised to incorporate changes.

The following individuals received awards this year.

John Henry Comstock Award (outstanding Ph.D. student): 4 nominees

Winner: **Rebecca T. Trout-Fryxell**, University of Arkansas

Kirby L. Hayes Memorial Award (outstanding M.S. student): 4 nominees

Winner: **Ankit Kumar**, Mississippi State University

Robert T. Gast Award for outstanding Ph.D. oral presentation: 18 papers

1st place: **Julien M. Beuzelin**, Louisiana State University

2nd place: **Jarrod T. Hardke**, Louisiana State University

3rd place: **Kelly L. Oten**, North Carolina State University

Southeastern Branch Student Award for outstanding M.S. oral presentation: 18 papers

1st place: **Jessica L. Moore**, Louisiana State University

2nd place: **Keith M. Bayless**, North Carolina State University

3rd place: **Brian P. Adams**, Mississippi State University

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Oral Presentation: 3 papers
1st place: **Jatayah Sheed**, Fort Valley State University

Outstanding Ph.D. Student Display presentation: 8 posters
1st place: **Virna L. Saenz**, North Carolina State University

Outstanding M.S. Student Display Presentation: 8 posters
1st place: **Euthychus M. Kariuki**, Florida A&M University

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Display Presentation: 2 posters
1st place: **Miriel Otero**, University of Puerto Rico

h. Meeting Location and Time Committee – 2012 – Rob Wiedenmann

Committee Members: Rob Wiedenmann, Tim Kring, Steve Yanoviak, Luann Wiedenmann; local assistance provided by Jim and Gayle Maloch (the Malochs are not ESA members)

The decision was made at the Final Business Meeting of the 2010 SEB meeting to hold the 2012 SEB meeting in conjunction with the Southwestern Branch. Arkansas is scheduled for the 2012 meeting, and site selection was made with this joint meeting in mind.

Conference Direct staff (Morgan Klinkradt and Kristin House) arranged a number of hotel properties to visit in Little Rock and northwest Arkansas. Bids were received by 12 properties and seven properties were visited, from which the Peabody Hotel in Little Rock emerged as a clear best choice.

Once the hotel selection was narrowed, the President-elect of the Southwest Branch (Allen Knutson) and his Program Chair (Scott Ludwig) met RNW at the Peabody. We toured the property and made tentative program plans to help decide about the adequacy of rooms for the joint meeting. A contract was signed with the Peabody for March 4-7, 2012.

Contract details include: room rates - \$129 for single, double or triple; 21-day cutoff date for reservations; 1/40 complimentary room nights; 2 suite upgrades; 1 complimentary suite; complimentary internet; complimentary meeting room rental; and no charge for bringing in our own AV (charges for podium/microphone setups and projection screens if not built in). In addition, the Little Rock Convention Bureau provided a \$2000 credit for rental of an off-site venue (Clinton Presidential Library) for an evening reception. An additional reception is scheduled for the top floor of the Peabody Hotel. A complete Associate/Spouse program is planned, with options to include: the Clinton Presidential Library, Heifer Village, the Arkansas Statehouse Museum, and shopping in the River Market – all of these are accessible with a 10-minute walk or a 5-minute trolley ride. We also are tentatively scheduled to hold an associate/spouse luncheon at the Governor's Mansion.

Combined SEB and SWB Committees will work jointly on the logistics for the Program and Local Arrangements. Some flexibility will be needed to accommodate Branch differences. Discussions to date included independent business meetings and Linnaean Games (winners of both Branches playing a final game); combined student paper and poster competition

sessions, with independent judging and winners for each Branch; a combined Award Luncheon. A Draft Program will be turned over to the Program Chair.

We proposed holding a concurrent, all-day continuing education session on Wednesday for pest control operators, inviting speakers from SEB and SWB. Based on previous training for the Arkansas Pest Management Association, attendance could be 150-200 individuals, which could increase the gross meeting income by \$15 - 20,000; costs would include lunches, food and beverage for breaks, speaker reimbursements and honoraria.

i. Meeting Location and Time Committee – 2013 – Timothy Schowalter

The 2013 SEB meeting will be held March 3-5 at the Baton Rouge Capitol Center Hilton Hotel, a beautifully-renovated historic luxury hotel overlooking the Mississippi River in the heart of downtown Baton Rouge (see www.hiltoncapitolcenter.com). The hotel is on the National Register of Historic Places. Downtown attractions within walking distance include the historic old and new capitol buildings, Louisiana Museum of Science and Technology, River Center Convention Center, USS Kidd Veterans Memorial & Museum, and riverboat casinos, as well as a variety of downtown restaurants ranging from Creole/Cajun to the rooftop Tsunami Sushi Restaurant. Nearby attractions include the Audubon Insectarium and historic French Quarter in New Orleans, about an hour's drive SE, an egret and spoonbill rookery at Lake Martin, about an hour W, and the Oakley House (Audubon State Historic Site), where Audubon worked and painted many of his Birds of America, in St. Francisville, about an hour N. Attendees can fly into either Baton Rouge or New Orleans.

Complimentary shuttle service is available from the Baton Rouge airport to the Hilton. A crawfish boil will be arranged for the welcome reception. We look forward to hosting the SEB in 2013.

j. Public Relations – David Jenkins

No report.

k. Education Committee – Tracie Jenkins

No report.

l. Board Certification – Roxanne Connelly

No report.

m. Archives – David Hall for Don Allemann

Dwain Teague, Director of Development, NC State University Libraries, is our central contact point for all of the SEB-ESA materials archived in Raleigh. Dwain contacted Hall and thanked SEB-ESA for the one-time \$1,000 donation we made toward archiving our materials. Our materials are located in special collections at the D Hill Library under the Entomological Archive – Special Collections Research Center. We will continue adding to these archives, and have two folders of information from 2009 and 2010 to send. NC State will make recommendations upon request on how we could go about storing electronic materials. Although not mandatory, the library would appreciate periodic donations no matter how small.

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The following was submitted by Don Allemann

All the known SEB-ESA records have now been archived at the North Carolina State University Library in Raleigh, NC. Two additional boxes were archived in 2010 making a total of 10 boxes. These files are openly available to anyone. The files include a rather complete collection of Branch Programs, old correspondence arranged by year and some old photos. The library has received a \$1,000 donation from the Branch to assist in managing these records. The NCSU Library will be happy to receive future records from the Branch to keep the archived collection complete. I recommend we do that from time to time. A summary of the archived files to include all 10 boxes will be included with this report at the Final Business Meeting.

Additional information concerning the archives is presented in Addendum A.

n. By-Laws Revisions – John Ruberson

Nothing to report.

o. Nominating – Rob Meagher

The Nominating Committee got an early start on the year with a search for a new Governing Board Representative to replace Michael L. Williams (AL). Two candidates were identified and Nancy C. Hinkle (University of Georgia) won the summer election in August. Prior to the 2011 Southeastern Branch elections, the Nominating Committee voted on five finalists for the office of President-Elect and seven finalists for the office of Member-at-Large. Names of the two top seeds for each office were provided to Dawn Braun, Manager, Membership and Member Relations, Entomological Society of America. The candidates were G. David Buntin (University of Georgia) and Timothy D. Schowalter (Louisiana State University) for President-Elect, and Melissa Willrich Siebert (Dow Agrosiences) and Daniel R. Suiter (University of Georgia) for Member-at-Large. A total of 143 votes were cast and results were forwarded to the Chair of the Nominating Committee on March 1, 2011. The Chair forwarded the results to President Frank Hale and Secretary-Treasurer David Hall. David Buntin won the election for President-Elect and Melissa Siebert won for Member-at-Large.

Nancy Epsky (FL)
Natalie Hummel (LA)

Paris Lambdin (TN)
Jeffrey Smith (GA)
Tony Weiss (FL)
Robert L. Meagher, Jr., Chair (FL)

p. Nominations for National Office – Wayne Gardner

No report.

7. Old Business

No old business items were discussed.

8. New Business

- Recognition of Program and Local Arrangements Chairs
- Recognition of new SEB President Norm Leppla
- Introduction of new committee chairs: Nominating, Program and Local Arrangements

Comments from new SEB President Leppla. Thanks for this opportunity to serve SEB-ESA. I was surprised when President Braman contacted me and asked if I would be willing to have my name on the ballot and extremely pleased when I was elected. Prior to the annual meeting the President-Elect is required to select chairs for the Local Arrangements, Program, Member Awards, Student Awards, and Nominating Committees. All members of the Nominating Committee must be approved by the Executive Committee. Everyone I asked to serve immediately agreed with enthusiasm!

Nominating Committee (requires 2 from industry, 2 from USDA, and 2 from university/state)

Joe Eger, Chair- Industry, Florida
Pat O'leary- Industry, North Carolina
Seth Johnson- University, Louisiana
Alvin Simmons- USDA, North Carolina
Randy Luttrell- USDA, Mississippi
Greg Hodges- State Department of Agriculture, Florida

[Note 4/13/11 –Subsequent to the final business meeting, Alvin Simmons relayed to Secretary/Treasurer Hall that the Executive Committee should have formally approved the proposed nominating committee. Therefore, a vote was made after the meeting by email – Hall moved to accept the list of nominations, Hinkle seconded, passed unanimously]

The Nominating Committee is required to provide a minimum of two nominees for the following Branch offices in 2011: President-Elect, one Member-at-Large to the Executive Committee, Secretary/Treasurer, Representative to the ESA Governing Board (Nancy Hinkle may want to continue), and Representative to the ESA Certification Board (also Board Certification Chair). David Hall's term ends in 2012 and it will be difficult to find a successor who will carry on the tradition of excellence established by David and Catharine Mannion. It has been recommended

that the office of Secretary Treasurer be split into Secretary and Treasurer. An ad hoc committee will be appointed to explore this possibility.

Local Arrangements (normally 6 members) – Rob Wiedenmann (SEB Chair) and Scott Ludwig (SWB Chair). Rob presented a report on excellent local arrangement plans. Any additional input would be appreciated to make the joint meeting in Arkansas a great success. Allen Knutson is the SWB president.

Program Committee (normally 6 members) – John Ruberson (SEB Chair) and Sonja Swiger (SWB Chair). John has served as Program Chair twice but graciously volunteered for a third time. I really appreciate his expertise and willingness to serve again.

Member Awards Committee (6 members, need 2) –
Kathy Kidd, Chair
Nannan Liu- AL
Greg Wiggins- TN
Ellen Thoms- FL

Student Awards Committee (9 members from different states) –
Melissa Siebert, Chair
Karen Nix- Louisiana (new)
JC Chong- S. Carolina (new)
Rajagopalbabu Srinivasan- Georgia (new)
Juan Jurat-Fuentes- Tennessee
Mark Abney- North Carolina
Gregg Nuessly- Florida
Scott Akin- Arkansas
Xing Ping Hu- Alabama

New *ad hoc* Committees

Guidelines Committee- update guidelines (<http://www.entsoc.org/Southeastern>), add missing information, review by committee chairs (Amanda Hodges- Chair)

Linnaean Games Enhancement- general entomology questions (not so esoteric), enable audience participation, review procedures and equipment.

- Mike Williams, Co-Chair- Alabama
- David Jenkins, Co-Chair- Puerto Rico
- Jerome Grant- Tennessee
- Raymond Hix- Florida
- Wendy Johnson- ESA Student Representative
- Member from Student Affairs Committee

Thanks, again, for this opportunity and please let me know if you would like to serve on a committee.

- 2014 meeting location. Following the normal SEB-ESA meeting site rotation schedule, the 2014 meeting would take place in South Carolina. J C Chong graciously invited SEB to hold the meeting in South Carolina.

9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm.

Addendums

Addendum A. Summary/Details of the SEB-ESA archives.

Addendum B. Student Affairs Committee Final Report

Addendum A. Summary/Details of the SEB-ESA archives.

The known archives of the SEB-ESA now consist of 10 file boxes with folders containing loose files. The boxes and folders are fairly well arranged by year. These boxes are archived in the Special Collections Section of the North Carolina State University Library in Raleigh, NC. They are available to anyone. This addendum is added to an August 2007 Summary. At that time the archives consisted of 8 boxes. Two additional boxes were archived October 2010.

The known archives of the Southeastern Branch (SEB) of the Entomological Society of America (ESA) consist of the following:

- 10 boxes (“13x16”) of files in folders, fairly well organized and sorted by year.
- File folders mostly contain correspondence regarding the annual meetings and committee assignments, etc. Most of the folders have not been carefully examined or culled for permanent archive value. The folders cover the years 1954 to 2010.
- A rather complete collection of SEB Annual meeting programs from 1940 to 2010. The programs include a photograph of the current Branch president on the cover as well as membership of Branch committees.
- A random collection of photographs dating to 1954. Most are not labeled.
- Published History Summaries of the SEB covering the period 1904 to 1988. Prepared histories of several Branch Entomology Departments.
- A limited file of old financial records pertaining to the SEB.
- It is apparent starting about 1966 that most SEB business was conducted by electronic mail, as there is a sharp drop in paper correspondence from that time forward.

Box 1

- Annual Meeting programs for the following years:
 - 1940 Cotton States Branch (CSB)
 - 1946 Joint Meeting AAEE/ESA
 - 1947 CSB
 - 1953 CSB
 - 1954 CSB
 - 1955 CSB
 - 1956 CSB
 - 1957 CSB
 - 1959 CSB(Name changed to Southeastern Branch)
All programs 1960 through 2010 except 1962, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, and 1992.
- About 250 photographs (mostly unidentified) of award winners, speakers, officers, etc. at annual meeting during the years 1954-1997.
- A letter from E. Ortel (1972) authorizing discard of routine correspondence, old bank statements, duplicate copies of programs, etc. This appears to have been done until about 1983.

Box 2

- An undated, bound report entitle “Data Concerning the Entomological Society of America, 1953-1963.” An extensive report of Society activity for that period, by F. W. Poos. This probably should be in the ESA archives, not the Branch archives.

- Reprints of published Branch history reports by: O. I. Snapp (1941), C. M. Bechham (1969), F. S. Arant (1983), and J. W. Smith (1989).
- Small file of old correspondence and financial information on the Cotton States Branch, 1926-1959.
- Archive correspondence from the Branch and National office dating to 1972.
- SEB Entomology Department History reports for: Arkansas (1975), Auburn (1971), Florida (1954), LSU (1961, 1976), MSU (1971), and UGA (1975).
- Three folders of miscellaneous Historical Information on the SEB.
- Old financial records of the SEB, early 1960s.

Box 3

- Bound volume of SEB meeting proceedings and financial summaries for 1954-1965 (none for 1958).
- Loose correspondence in folders for 1951-1982 (none for 1957, 1958, 1960, 1961, 1966-1973, 1976, 1979).

Box 4 - Extensive loose files in folders for 1983, 1984 and 1985.

Box 5 - Extensive loose files in folders for 1986-1989.

Box 6 - Extensive loose files in folders for 1990, 1991 and 1992.

Box 7 - Extensive loose files in folders for 1993, 1994 and 1995.

Box 8 - Limited loose files in folders for 1996-2000.

Box 9 - Limited loose files of folders for 2000-2011.

Box 10

- Annual Branch Meeting Programs for 2001, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010.
- Gast/Hays award information
- Budget/financial statements for several years
- Constitutional/Bylaws information
- Guidelines for officers and committee chairs, 2004
- Small collection of photos
- Income tax information
- Tax Exempt Certificates
- Insurance Bond - Sprenkel

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Exhibit A (list of materials being donated)

Attached summary prepared August, 2007.

Addendum B. Student Affairs Committee Final Report

SAC representatives for 2011 meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico (Name, School, Contact):

- Carlos Diaz-Arzola, PR, Carlos.G.Diaz-Arzola@aphis.usda.gov (Co-Chair 2011)
- Carla Dilling, University of Tennessee, cdillin1@utk.edu (Co-Chair 2011)
- Diane Silcox, NC State University, desilcox@ncsu.edu (2012)
- Teresia Nyoike, University of Florida, nyoiket@ufl.edu (2011)
- Julien Beuzelin, Louisiana State University, Jbeuzelin@agctr.lsu.edu (2012)
- Prithwiraj Das, Auburn University, pdd0002@auburn.edu (2011)
- Claudia Holquin, Clemson University, cholgui@clemson.edu (2011)
- Cheri Abraham, University of Georgia, cherimabraham@gmail.com (2011)
- Lauren Goltz, Mississippi State University, Lauren.Goltz@gmail.com (2012)
- Carey Minter, University of Arkansas, cminter@uark.edu (2012)

Linnaean Games:

Carla Dilling (University of Tennessee) was Chair of the Linnaean Games and organized the questions, judges, and moderator. Seven schools from the southeastern branch of the Entomological Society of America participated in the Linnaean games: Auburn University, Florida A&M University, Louisiana State University, NC State University, University of Arkansas, University of Florida, and University of Georgia. The moderator for the games was Dr. Jerome Grant (University of Tennessee), and the judges were Dr. Ernest Delfosse (2011 ESA President; Michigan State University), Dr. Frank Hale (2010-2011 SEB-ESA President; University of Tennessee), and Dr. David Jenkins (USDA-ARS, San Juan, Puerto Rico). A review meeting took place Saturday at 8 pm in Conference room 7, in attendance will be Carla Dilling, Dr. Jerome Grant, Dr. Frank Hale, Dr. David Jenkins, and Dr. Ernest Delfosse. The winning team was North Carolina State University (Virna Saenz, Jonathan Cammack, Keith Bayless, Stephanie Gorski, and Kelly Oten), they were given traveling plaque, a team plaque, and certificates for each of its members. Second place went to the University of Arkansas (Ray Fisher, Bryan Petty, Carey Minter, Sam Kim, and Jess Hartshorn), each team member received a certificate. Both teams will compete at the ESA Annual Meeting in Reno, NV, November 2011, for a chance at the national title. NC State will update the big trophy to reflect this year's champion.

Student Symposium:

Carey Minter (University of Arkansas), Julien Beuzelin (Louisiana State University) and Carla Dilling (University of Tennessee) will moderated the student symposium entitled "CSI Puerto Rico: Adventures in Forensic Entomology". Invited speakers include Jonathan Cammack (NC State), Wes Watson (NC State) S. Z. Y. Vanegas (University of Puerto Rico), and Dr. Sherah VanLaerhoven (University of Windsor, ON) and her students (C. Brait, C. Reid, and J. Rosati). Richard Levine, communications program manager with the Entomological Society of America, wrote and sent out a press release last week, which highlighted this symposium, as a result a reporter from livescience.com is interested in covering this symposium and is to be in contact with the organizers. A good job was done by all the organizers, but a special recognition

needs to go to Carey Minter, she did an outstanding job in congealing this symposium. Topics for 2012 symposium were discussed during the SAC meeting this afternoon.

Insect Photo Salon:

Cheri Abraham (University of Georgia) and Diane Silcox (NC State University) were Co-Chairs of the Insect Photo Salon and organized and oversaw the voting of entrants to the Salon. This year we received over 100 entries in the four categories: Arthropods in Action, Artistic, Photomicroscopy and Traditional Macro. First place and second place for arthropods in action went to William Fisher. First and second place for the artistic went to William Fisher. First place for photomicroscopy went to Sangmi Lee, and second place went to William Fisher. First place for traditional macro went to Matt Henz and second place went to Michael Skvaria. Sangmi Lee was awarded the best in show winner and was given a plaque, while winners in all other categories received certificates. Both Cheri and Diane have done a great job organizing this.

Job Placement:

Prithwiraj Das (University of Alabama) coordinated the job placement center. Announcements were included in branch emails. As of Friday, March 18, 2011, no job announcements or CVs were sent to me to be displayed in the job placement room. There were several CV's displayed in the job placement room.

General

Representatives for 2011-2012 SAC will need to be appointed for University of Tennessee, University of Florida, Auburn, Clemson, and University of Georgia.