

CSAS President Elect's Report July 08, 2010

For the second year in a row we are all set for our up and coming joint annual meeting with ADSA-PSA-AMPA-ASAS to be held in Denver in July. First and foremost a big thank you to Dr Karen Schwartzkopf-Genswein who took care of all the organisation for this year meeting. The AGM will be held on Tues July 13 (12:30-2:00 pm) at the Denver Marriott with a boxed lunch. The CSAS executive meeting is scheduled for Sunday July 11 from 1 pm to 6 pm. Graduate students oral presentations are scheduled for Monday July 12th, whereas poster presentations will be held July 12th all day and 13th am. The results of the Graduate Student competition and annual awards will be presented at the CSAS Awards Banquet CSAS Awards Banquet to be held Wednesday, July 14 from 6:00 – 8:30 pm at the Denver Marriott, Ballroom Suites I–III (Tickets: \$61). The CJAS board meeting will be held Tuesday July 13th commencing at 5:00 pm.

A CSAS organised symposium will be held on July 14. The title is: "Issues in North American Livestock Transport".

Approved sponsorship for the CSAS transport symposia total \$6,500.00. Sponsors include:

- 1) \$1000 World Animal Transport Association
- 2) \$2500 Alberta Farm Animal Care
- 3) AAFC - Cost of covering Dr. Cowes expenses up to a maximum of \$3000

CSAS will be requested to support CSAS symposia speakers for a total amount of \$3000.00. With this funding the organizing Committee expect a break even to positive financial scenario. I will be attending the CJAS board meeting on July 13 in Denver as the liaison between CSAS and CJAS. Discussions are currently being held regarding conference locations and venues for 2011-2013. Dr Julie Small is leading the organisation of our next joint meeting with the Canadian Meat Council Association for 2011 and Dr Alan Iwassa will be coordinating the organisation of our meeting with the American Society of Animal Science for 2012 in Phoenix, Arizona. At this time no confirmations have been made for 2013.

To plan future meetings the executive also decided to survey membership for their point of view on the following questions:

- 1- The CSAS has an agreement with ADSA-ASAS to hold joint meetings every 2 years starting in 2010. Would you be in favour of joining ADSA-ASAS every year?

- 2- Would you be in favour of having fewer CSAS major Awards (i.e.: 3 major awards: bronze, silver and gold)?
- 3- Would you be in favour of providing French versions of CSAS web documents?

A total of 87 members responded to the survey. Results were as follows:

Question	Yes	No	?
1	51 (59%)	33	3
2	49 (56%)	23	15
3	59 (68%)	9	19

Results will be discussed at the AGM in Denver.

Respectfully submitted,

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CSAS President-Elect