



Crop Science Society of America Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Monday, Dec. 18, 2023 10:00-11:15am (Central)

President Seth Murray called the meeting to order.

Board members present:

President: Seth Murray, Texas A&M (2023)
President-Elect: Kim Garland-Campbell, USDA-ARS (2023)
C-1: Melanie Bayles, Oklahoma State Univ. (2025)
C-2: Felix Fritschi, Univ. of Missouri (2023)
C-3: Ignacio Ciampitti, Kansas State Univ. (2024)
C-4: Nicole Anderson, Oregon State Univ. (2025)
C-5: Cale Bigelow, Purdue (2023)
C-6: John Guretzky, Univ. of Nebraska (2024)
C-7: Jianming Yu, Iowa State Univ. (2024)
C-9: Mary Guttieri, USDA-ARS (2025)
Grad Student Rep.: Karl Kunze, Cornell (2023)
Industry Rep.: Leah Brilman, DLF (2025)
Ex-officio: CEO Jim Cudahy; Editor-in-Chief: Bingru Huang, Rutgers (2024); ASF Vice Chair Stella Salvo, Bayer

CropScience (2023); Incoming President-Elect Mark Sorrells, Cornell (2023); B&F Chair: Steve Malone, USDA-AMS-S&T-SRTD (2025); Program Planning Officer Nithya Rajan, Texas A&M (2023); Incoming C-2 John Snider, Univ of Georgia-Tifton; Incoming Grad Student Tina Sullivan, Utah State Univ
Unable to attend:

Past President: Marilyn Warburton, USDA-ARS (2023)
C-8: Dipak Santra, Univ. of Nebraska (2025)
DEI Member-at-Large: Geoffrey Koch, UC-Davis (2023)

Also participating:

Susan Chapman, Special Projects Director
Susan Dearing-Bond, Development Director
Sara Uttech, Governance Director
Matt Wascavage, Publications Director
Susan Varghese, People & Culture Director

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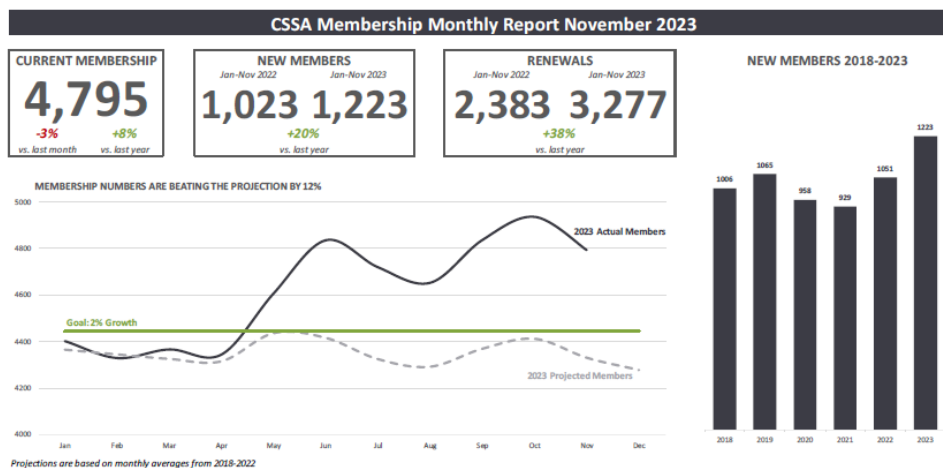
1. The meeting opened 15 minutes early for optional discussion of the article selected by Mary Guttieri, "Science for Others or the Self? Presumed Motives for Science Shape Public Trust in Science" in *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*

- Feedback: Consensus to continue article discussion in 2024. Volunteers to contact Kim Garland-Campbell to select an article for upcoming months

2. ACTION: The following Consent Agenda items were approved:

- Dec. 18, 2023 CSSA Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
- Nov. 20, 2023 CSSA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
- Updated CSSA Awards Policy now excludes Exec Committee Members from submitting scholarship reference letters

3. CSSA November 2023 Membership Stats:



4. ASA, CSSA, SSSA Awards & Scholarships Open 1/4/24 at www.crops.org/awards - board members to encourage colleagues and students to apply via Discussion Board posts

- Award Nominations close **3/12/2024** | Submissions due **3/19/2024**
- Scholarship Nominations close **3/19/2024** | Submissions due **3/27/2024**

5. President Seth Murray issued a final thank you to outgoing CSSA Board members

- CSSA Past President Marilyn Warburton, USDA-ARS
- Division C-2 Crop Physiology & Metabolism Board Rep. Felix Fritschi, Univ. of Missouri
- Graduate Student Board Rep. Karl Kunze, Cornell University
- ASF Chair Samantha Miller, Corteva AgriScience

6. Next Board Meeting January 2024: Watch for a Doodle to set monthly board call dates for the whole year.

ACS732 Program Planning Committee

There was consensus to address the issue with USDA limits on approval for employees to attend professional meetings such as the ASA-CSSA-SSSA Annual Meeting, a letter will be considered and sent.

ACS528 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in ASA, CSSA, and SSSA Committee

Special Projects Director Susan Chapman provided an update on the DEI Mentoring Project and led a discussion on Mentoring.

ACS321 Editorial Policy Coordination Committee

CEO Jim Cudahy provided an update on post-2024 publishing with plans for presentations by Springer and Wiley in early 2024.

C101 Nominations Committee

Last Call for CSSA President-Elect Candidates: Submit to Governance Director Sara Uttech, suttech@sciencesocieties.org

- Six Candidate Names Submitted in 2023
- C101 Nominations Committee to Meet in early 2024

Consensus to adjourn.