Minutes of the Business Meeting

THIRD CENTRAL STATES FOREST TREE IMPROVEMENT CONFERENCE 3 OCTOBER 1962, LAFAYETTE, INDIANA

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Howard B. Kriebel at 1:30 p.m. on 3 October 1962. Almost all of the 33 people mentioned on the appended Conference registration list were present.

The minutes of the last business meeting held at the time of the Second Central States Forest Tree Improvement Conference were read by the Secretary, and approved as read.

The Secretary reported that some progress had been made in the preparation of "Guidelines for Seed Procurement and Collections for Forest Planting in the Central States"; rough drafts are to be circulated within a few months to other members of the Committee for review.

The Chairman announced that the "Directory of Research Workers in Forest Genetics and Related Fields" was published in the September Journal of Forestry, and that reprints would be available. Written requests for them should be mailed to him.

The Chairman then gave a brief review of recent thinking on forest tree seed certification. The S.A.F. Committee on Forest Tree Improvement has been attemptting to clarify misunderstandings about the nature of proposed national seed certification standards and to present reasons why such minimal standards are needed. A national tree seed committee has been proposed in the Division of Silviculture, with representatives from research agencies, seed dealers, and nurserymen. The Chairman then announced the tree improvement workshop to be held directly after the coming national S.A.F. meeting in Atlanta.

The election of new officers of the Committee was then announced by the Chairman. A nominations committee, appointed earlier in the day, and made up of Earl P. Stephens, Oliver D. Diller, and Phillip H. Jaquith, announced the following candidates for office: Chairman _ Stephen G. Boyce, F. Bryan Clark; Vice-chairman-Donald E. Richter, Ralph A. Read; and Secretary _ Arthur H. Westing, David T. Funk. This committee conducted the election, counted the ballots, and submitted the results to the Chairman. The new officers of the Central States Forest Tree Improvement Committee were announced: Chairman - Stephen G. Boyce, Vice-chariman - Donald

After the election of new officers, the next subject discussed was the publication of the proceedings of this conference. The consensus of the group was that the host institution should be allowed the privilege of publishing the proceedings if it wished to do so. This honor was accepted by Westing in behalf of the Purdue Department of Forestry and Conservation.

The final item of discussion was the time and place for the next conference. It was generally agreed desirable to hold another conference in 1964. There were some proposals to hold the next meeting where some tree improvement projects could be demonstrated; a proposal to hold the next meeting in Nebraska was also discussed. No further commitments or decisions were made.