

**AEIC Board Meeting Minutes**  
**February 13, 2008**  
**St. Louis, MO**

**Attendees:** Doris Dixon (Past-President), Gina Clapper (President), Michael Thompson (Vice President), Dean Layton (Treasurer), Penny Hunst (Secretary), Frank Spiegelhalter (Eurofins GeneScan; host of Spring Meeting).

The AEIC Board met in St. Louis at the Monsanto Company on Feb. 13, 2008. Details of topics discussed are given in the following paragraphs.

**GMO Detection Meeting (Como, Italy):**

The Board discussed how AEIC could be represented at the meeting. Gina Clapper indicated that AOCS would be interested in sharing a booth or “point of presence” with AEIC. “Point of presence” would cost 1500 euros (~\$3000) and affords a reception desk and a panel large enough for two posters and/or company material. It was suggested to make the AEIC brochure, which Dean put together, into a poster that could be displayed. A mock-up of the poster will be made available at the AEIC Spring Meeting and a vote will be taken of the membership as to whether or not to proceed with this display at the Como Meeting. A 30% deposit will need to be made by May 15 to the Como Meeting to hold the space.

No abstracts were submitted for an AEIC paper (deadline was 1/31/08), however, the date was extended to 2/29/08. Dean sent an abstract from EnviroLogix which describes work done with GeneScan on combined event products (stacked products). The Board was going to follow up with Dave Grothaus to see if he had submitted an abstract on the AEIC protein paper.

**AEIC Brochure:**

Dean had 500 brochures initially printed. The Board suggested that another 1000 should be printed in order to be available as handouts at the Como meeting.

**AEIC Spring Meeting – New Orleans, LA on April 2-3:**

The meeting venue will be the Royal Sonesta Hotel on Bourbon Street. A block of rooms for AEIC meeting attendees was held through March 4 at a rate of \$139/night.

Depending on the number of attendees that reserve rooms at the hotel, the meeting may be complimentary. AEIC will pay for the catering of coffee breaks during the morning and afternoon sessions of the meeting. Attendees will be asked to have breakfast on their own prior to the start of the meeting each day. The lunch will be catered at the hotel for April 2. Eurofins GeneScan will pay \$1500 toward meeting expenses. Eurofins will supply the Powerpoint projector and computer for the meeting. There will be a TAG Meeting following the AEIC meeting on the afternoon of April 3. Gina is making these arrangements with the hotel.

The group dinner will be held on the evening of April 2 at the Tujague's Restaurant (www.tujagues.com). The cost will be \$40/person (includes tax and tip). Information on hotel shuttles/taxis from the airport to the hotel will be posted on the AEIC website.

The suggested agenda was as follows:

- A session on sampling and trade issues
- Talks on new technology (e.g., Chromatin)
- Updates from EPA Ft. Meade Lab (Marc Rindal)
- Member updates (suggested possibly Neogen and Ricetec)
- Agilent/Stratagene update
- Farmer's perspective on planting GM crops for the first time

The Board also discussed inviting possible companies who may want to join AEIC. The suggested companies included ABI, Kraft, ADM and Ocimum.

The Board also discussed possible initiatives for AEIC for 2008 to discuss with the membership at the Spring Meeting. The suggested initiatives included:

- Theoretical bridge of quantitative vs. qualitative of GM: how to interpret results (%DNA vs. %seed; how to factor in combined event products)
- Support ISO SC16 (Biomarkers)

### Treasurer's Report:

#### 2007 Budget Summary

	Planned	Actual
<b>Beginning balance as of January 1, 2007</b>	<b>\$13,367</b>	<b>\$13,367</b>
2007 Additional Membership Dues Projected	8,200	7,850
Total Projected Revenue	8,200	7,850
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Scientific Paper	4,000	4,000
Wire Transfer Fee		11
DE Franchise Tax Report	25	25
ANSI/ISO Initiative (AOCS – ISO TAG)	2,750	2,925
Board Meeting Expenses	100	
Spring Meeting Expenses	1,000	30
Hostway (Website – now Mandy Stockstad)	500	644
Bank Service Charges		
Fall Meeting Expenses	1,000	635
New AEIC Brochure		818
Reprints	200	
Subscriptions – Conferences	200	
Miscellaneous	100	
<b>Total Projected Expenses</b>	<b>9,875</b>	<b>9,088</b>
<b>PROJECTED BALANCE (Checking Account)</b>	<b>11,962</b>	<b>12,399</b>

CD Account	10,000	10,000
Interest on CD Deposit	500	500
<b>TOTAL ACCOUNTS BALANCE</b>	<b>22,462</b>	<b>23,003</b>

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2007 Additional Membership Dues Projected	8,200	
<b>TOTAL PROJECTED REVENUE</b>	<b>8,200</b>	
<b>Expenditures</b>		
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ANSI/ISO Initiative (AOCS – ISO TAG)	2,750	
Board Meeting Expenses	100	
Spring Meeting Expenses	1,000	
Hostway (Website – now Mandy Stockstad)	500	51
Bank Service Charges		
Fall Meeting Expenses	1,000	
New Brochure		
Reprints	200	
Subscriptions – Conferences	200	
Miscellaneous	100	
<b>TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES</b>	<b>9,875</b>	<b>87 (to date)</b>
<b>PROJECTED BALANCE (Checking Account)</b>	<b>10,724</b>	<b>12,312</b>
CD Account	10,000	10,000
Interest on CD Account	500	604
<b>TOTAL ACCOUNTS BALANCE</b>	<b>21,224</b>	<b>22,916</b>

Following the budget discussion, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 5pm.