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This is going to be a short newsletter this time since I have not had a chance to call for items from my regional reporters. This newsletter will deal mainly with arrangements for our upcoming business meeting in Saskatoon and the Joint Annual Meeting in Winnipeg. This will probably be my last newsletter as editor since I hope to find a replacement at the Annual Meeting. Many thanks to those who have contributed to the newsletter over the past two years.

1. Announcement of Fall Annual Business Meeting

The business meeting of the ESS will be held at 4:00 p.m., October 8, 1985 in the third floor board room of Agriculture Canada Research Station in Saskatoon. This meeting is scheduled to be held right after the Saskatchewan Advisory Committee on Insect Control meeting in the same room. This is to be only a business meeting since we will be having a paper presentation at the Joint ESS/ESM meeting in Winnipeg on October 24 and 25.

2. Committee Reports for Business Meeting

Would the respective chairmen of the various ESS committees please prepare a short written report for presentation at the October 8th business meeting. For those that may have forgotten, the following is a list of committee members:

President - Lloyd Harris
Vice-President - Peter Mason
Sec./Treas./Newsletter Editor - Bruce Neill
Auditors - Frank Bellamy, Keith Roney, Peter Kusters, and Harvey Craig
Regional Representation - Paul Riegert
Teaching of Entomology in Saskatchewan - Al Ewen and Bob Elliott
Student and amateur encouragement - Peter Kusters and Peter Mason
Proceedings and archives - Diether Peschken and Larry Burgess
Honors and awards - Alf Arthur and Paul Riegert
Saskatchewan Insect Survey - Phil Curry and Hartley Fredeen
Brooks Prize - Owen Olfert, Paul Riegert, Cedric Gillott
Nominations - Kieth Moore, Dorothy Murrell, Martin Erlandson
Joint Meeting - Winnipeg - Peter Mason
Microscope - Diether Peschken and John Doane
Insect common names - Bruce Neill

If you are unable to give the report in person, please forward it to a member of the executive prior to the meeting.

3. Constitutional amendments - notification for vote at business meeting

Peter Mason has been working on two prepared constitutional changes. He has prepared the following report for your information. These proposals will

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be brought up for a vote at the October 8th meeting. Please make a point of attending this meeting so we can obtain the necessary quorum.

Report on the Constitutional Amendments, October 8, 1985

As per the final two statements of Item 3 of the "Minutes of the Spring Meeting 12th April, 1985" I was to check the Saskatchewan Societies Act regarding proper procedures and wording for the proposed constitutional changes and the possibility for a mail ballot.

I have the following to report:

The Societies Act was repealed in 1983-84. However, we are a non-profit corporation and therefore that section (N-41 An Act Respecting Non-Profit Corporations) of the Saskatchewan Statutes applies to our Society.

Article 7, Amendments to the Constitution of the Entomological Society of Saskatchewan appears to fall within the regulations set out in the Non-Profit Corporations Act. There are no specific regulations other than that advance notification of changes must be made and a vote by the membership taken. Both of these are accommodated in Article 7.

Regarding the Quorum change, Section 125 (1) of the Non-Profit Corporations Act enables us to set out what our Quorum should be. It states "Unless the bylaws otherwise provide...".

The Non-Profit Corporations Act also provides us with the option of a mail ballot. Section 137 states:

"The articles or bylaws of a corporation may provide that members of the corporation may cast a ballot by mail to decide any issue in respect of which the members are entitled to vote and, where the articles or bylaws so provide, the procedures that relate to collecting, counting and reporting the results of any mail ballot shall be set out in the articles or bylaws of the corporation."

Therefore the following proposed constitutional changes are legal:

ARTICLE 5. MEETINGS (amended)

(e) A Quorum at any annual, special or informal meeting of the Society shall be comprised of 10% of the membership or no less than 7 members in good standing.

ARTICLE 16. BALLOT BY MAIL (added)

Any issue in respect of which the members are entitled to vote can be decided by a ballot by mail. A clear statement of the issue to be voted on and a deadline date for return must be

included on the ballot. The ballot, accompanied by an envelope marked "BALLOT", is to be sent to all members of the Society in good standing. The members are to return the ballots, sealed in the envelope, to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Society who shall ensure their safety and confidentiality. After the deadline date has passed the ballots are to be opened and counted in the presence of at least two members of the Society's Executive. The results of the ballot are to be made known to the membership at the next meeting of the Society or the next newsletter, whichever is earlier. The ballots are to be kept for one year after the deadline so that any member of the Society in good standing may examine them.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter G. Mason

4. Hartley Fredeen to retire

On the occasion of his retirement from Agriculture Canada, Hartley Fredeen will be honored at a banquet on October 9th, 1985 in Saskatoon. All those wishing to attend should contact Peter Mason as soon as possible to arrange for tickets.

5. Upcoming Joint ESS/ESM meeting

Plans are progressing well for the meeting, but we still need Saskatchewan members to give papers at the meeting. Even though the official deadline is past, I would think that if you contacted the program chairman, Bill Turnock, at 204-269-2100, you may still get on the list. We will also want to know how many will be going to Winnipeg and what transportation is required. Please let us know at the October 8th meeting so we can make plans for the 24th and 25th

6. ESS Proceeding

You should have received your copy of the 1983 and 1984 ESS proceedings on a mail out in June. Diether Peschken has passed on the following comments:

I would like to thank Paul Riegert for his generous help in getting the picture pages ready for the 1983/84 Proceedings and for getting them printed. I would also like to thank Bruce Neill for arranging to have the typing done by Betty Lowey. She did an excellent job.

7. Oops, I goofed

I apologize to Kieth Roney and Ron Hooper at the Museum of Natural History for renaming their institution in the last issue of the newsletter. I accidentally said they were at the Museum of Man and Nature, which everyone knows is in Winnipeg, not Regina! Sorry fellows.

8. The last word

Please try and attend the October 8th business meeting in Saskatoon and the Joint meeting in Winnipeg on October 24th and 25th. Lets try and make our presence known in Winnipeg by getting a big turnout and by presenting papers. I would especially like to invite our student members to participate.