

**Minutes of 46th Annual Meeting
Southern Poultry Science Society
January 28, 2025**

- I. With ~100 members present, President Roshan Adhikari called the meeting to order. A quorum was declared. Greg Engelke was appointed Parliamentarian. Tellers were. The minutes from the previous meeting on January 30, 2024, were presented via QR Code and posted on the SPSS website. No corrections were offered and the minutes were accepted as posted.
- II. Executive Secretary, Mary Beck, presented the financial report for the 2023-2024 fiscal year (Attachment 1).

The 2022-2023 Financial Report was reviewed. The beginning balance in all three accounts on 10/1/2023 was \$120,601.33 and the ending balance on 9/30/2024 was \$138,694.51 for a net gain of \$18,093.10. Sponsor income for the 2025 meeting was \$28,000; Morgan Stanley income was \$13,587.54; with miscellaneous interest and reimbursements of \$535, for a total of \$42,127.31. Expenditures were as follows: Student Awards, \$9,000; Judges/Moderators Gift Cards, \$4,250.; PSA Sponsorship, \$2,500; Administrative Costs, \$2,309.77 and ES Travel, \$3,972.36; for a total of \$24,934.13.

There were no questions and the finance report was accepted as presented.

- III. Bob Buresh, Chair of the Audit Committee, presented the report of the Audit Committee. (Attachment 2). The committee commended the Executive Secretary for excellent records and efforts to secure sponsorship support.

There were no questions and the report was accepted as presented.

- IV. President Adhikari presented the proposed constitutional amendments, the majority of which are housekeeping changes to better reflect current practices, including addition of Jon Cole with PSA to the Wells Fargo bank accounts as back-up administrator to the Executive Secretary and streamlining of officer duties. The substantive amendment is the creation of an Associate Executive Secretary position to report to the Executive Secretary, to assist with responsibilities associated with organizing and running the International Poultry Scientific Forum, and also to be added to the Wells Fargo Accounts as back-up administrator to the Executive Secretary.

There was a motion to accept the constitution and bylaws as presented to the membership on December 19, 2024; the motion was seconded; the vote to approve was unanimous.

- V. President Adhikari presented the Resolutions Report (Attachment 3); the report is entered into the minutes and only the resolutions of remembrance were read at the meeting, with a moment of silence following.

There were no questions and the report was accepted as presented.

- VI. The Program Report was presented by 2nd VP Jarred Oxford (Appendix 4). There were 410 (+40) abstracts for a record high (224 orals (+14) and 195 (+26) posters) and () attendees. Undergraduates presenting: 20 (+6) (9 orals, 11 posters) and Graduate Students 152 (+24) (95 Orals, 57 posters).

There were no questions and the report was accepted as presented.

- VII. First Vice President Dianna Bourassa expressed appreciation to the judges and presented the student awards. Each graduate student received a certificate and check for \$500; the top two grad student winners received an SPSS travel award for \$500. Each undergraduate participant received a certificate; the top u.g. oral and poster presenters each received the Don R. Sloan award and \$250. Each session chair and judge received a \$50 gift certificate.

2025 SPSS STUDENT AWARDS

Nutrition

Luis Giron, Penn State (John Boney)
Caleb Marshall NCSU (Edgar Oviedo-Rondon)
Joseph Gulizia, Auburn (Wilmer Pacheco)
Charis Waters, MSSTATE (Pratima Adhikari)
Annalise Anderson, Auburn (Sam Rochell)

Environment & Management

Athena He-DeMontaron, NCSU (Allison Pullin)

Welfare & Behavior

Allison Weaver, NCSU (Allison Pullin)
Mazette Croom, TAMU (Rosemary Walzem)

Food Safety

Eva Guzman, Auburn (Wilmer Pacheco)

Processing & Products

Jorge Sandoval, Auburn (Jessica Starkey)

Physiology

Lauren Sroda, Auburn (Jeremiah Davis)
Deependra Paneru, UGA (Woo Kyun Kim)

Pathology

Phillip Yeboah, NCSU (Lisa Bielke)

Posters

Kari Harding, NCSU (Ken Anderson)
Maxim Peckenschneider, UWISC (Steven Ricke)
Taylor Waugerman, WVU (Joseph Moritz)
Anna Kathryn Riggs, MSSTATE (Kelley Wamsley)
Grant Bennett, UGA (Laura Ellestad)
Colin Barcelo, UGS (Laura Ellestad)

Grad Student Travel Awards

Charis Waters, MSSTATE (Pratima Adhikari)
Annalise Anderson, Auburn (Sam Rochell)

Alltech Manuscript Award

Amber K Richards, UGA (Nikki Shariat)

Don R. Sloan Undergraduate Research Award Winners

ORAL: Nina Wilson, Purdue (Greg Fraley)

POSTER: Reagan Barnett, TAMU (Audrey McElroy)

Undergraduate Research Award Participants

Nina Wilson	Aliyah Nicole Bonner
Serena Wesley	Lillie Romines
Jacob Carter Wesson	Romel Ortiz
Dylan Wade Seets	Tirado Agreda Daniel Wagner
Maria Veronica Baca	Matthew Hughes
Colin P. Wallrich	Cameron Smith
Jolie Anna Stumpff	Shamar Timothy Simon
Haley Tarcin	Chelsea Sophia Castillo Najera
Camila Hammel Sobreira	Reagan Barnett
Mallory Zumwalt	

- VIII. Past President Jesse Grimes presented the report for the nominating committee. The nominating committee submitted the following slate of officers in nomination:

President:	Dianna Bourassa, Auburn
1 st Vice President	Jarred Oxford, Cargill Animal Nutrition
2 nd Vice President	Laura Ellestad, UGA
	Greg Fraley, Purdue
Executive Secretary	Mary Beck, MSSTATE (ret)
Assoc. Exec. Secretary	Jeanna Wilson Greene, UGA (ret)

Nominations were requested from the floor. None were presented and it was moved that the nominations be closed and the four unopposed officers be elected by acclamation. The motion was seconded. These nominees were elected by acclamation.

A ballot election was conducted of the voting members and, Laura Ellestad was elected as 2nd Vice President.

- VIII. There were no items of Old Business, but several updates:.
- The Memorandum of Agreement with Poultry Science Association as presented last year was signed and executed in April 2024.
 - PSA oversaw judging student talks in 2024
 - IPSF utilized the ScholarOne abstract submission platform through the PSA for the 2025 meeting
 - Jon Cole will be added as back-up bank account manager under specific stipulations of the MOA.
- IX. Comments from the Executive Secretary, Mary Beck
- Contracted with PSA to handle abstract submissions
 - Excellent platform
 - Outstanding support
 - Very few submission errors
 - Students failing to add advisor as author
 - Students failing to check competition box

- X. President Adhikari made the following closing comments:
January 27-29, 2026 - next IPSF
Abstracts Due: ~ November 15, 2025
Alltech Manuscript Due: December 1, 2025
Next meeting of SPSS: January 27, 2026
Registration \$95.
- XI. President Adhikari turned the meeting over to President-elect Dianna Bourassa for adjournment. President Bourassa presented Past-president Adhikari with his honorary rooster in appreciation for his service to the society.
- XII. It was moved and seconded to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Beck, Executive Secretary

Attachment 1

Southern Poultry Science Society – 46th Annual Meeting
Financial Report
10/1/2023-9/30/2024

STARTING BALANCE 10/1/2023		\$120,601.33
	Checking	30,460.56
	Savings	10,090.96
	Morgan Stanley	80,049.81
INCOME		
	Sponsorships Received for 2024 IPSF	28,000.00
	Interest-Savings	4.77
	Morgan Stanley	13,587.54
	Reimbursements	535.00
TOTAL INCOME		42,127.31
EXPENSES		
	Student Awards	9,000.00
	Judges and Session Chair Gift Cards	4,250.00
	PSA Annual Meeting Sponsor	2,500.00
	Executive Secretary Travel	3,972.36
	Office Supplies, Postage, Board Expenses	2,309.77
	Judging - PSA	2002.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		24,034.13
ENDING BALANCE 9/30/2024		\$138,694.51
	Checking	34,961.43
	Savings	10,095.73
	Morgan Stanley	93,637.35
NET CHANGE		+18,093.18

Attachment 2

Audit Committee Report

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Audit Committee
Bob Buresh
Melanie Roux

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The beginning balances at the accounts (10/1/2023):

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| • Wells Fargo Checking | \$30,460.56 |
| • Wells Fargo Savings | \$10,090.96 |
| • Morgan Stanley Investment | \$80,049.81 |
| • Total | \$120,601.33 |

The ending balances at the accounts (9/30/2024):

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| • Wells Fargo Checking | \$34,961.43 |
| • Wells Fargo Savings | \$10,095.73 |
| • Morgan Stanley Investment | \$93,637.35 |
| • Total | \$138,694.51 |

Form 990N was filed with the IRS for 2023

- All balances were correct
- All expenses and receipts were for legitimate ~~business~~ association expenses and documented properly.

Bob Buresh
1/28/25

Attachment 3
Resolutions Committee Report

**Resolutions Committee Report
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The Resolutions Committee was chaired by Jesse Grimes

The resolutions report is as follows:

1. The members of the Southern Poultry Science Society thank the following for their efforts in organizing and conducting an excellent meeting

Roshan Adhikari, President
Dianna Bourassa, 1st Vice President
Jarred Oxford, 2nd Vice President
Jesse Grimes, President
Mary Beck, Executive Secretary

2. The members of the Society thank the following companies for their support and financial assistance:



3. The Society is indebted to and thanks Nath Morris and Barbara Jenkins and their U.S. Poultry & Egg Association staff for their sponsorship of the meeting by providing facilities, publicity, registration, printing, mailing, accounting services, and website support.
4. A. The Society thanks the Moderators of the sessions who have contributed to a well managed meeting.

The Society thanks the Judges of the student presentations; we recognize this is a difficult and important function

Moderators: Sami Dridi, Laura Ellestad, Ken Anderson, Abiodun Bello, Julia Blakey, Luis Munoz, Silvia Carnaccini, Rosemary Walzem, Leonie Jacobs, Tomi Obe, Yan Campbell, John Boney, Kelley Wamsley, Mike Persia, Frances Yan, Pratima Adhikari, Chrysta Beck, Chongxiao Chen, Theresia Lavergne, Cody Flores, Jossie Santamaria, Midian Santos, Bayo Sokale, T Bas Rodenburg, Diego Martinez, Jessica Drewry, Jinquan Wang.

Judges: Darrin Karcher, Greg Fraley, Joshua Deines, Birendra Mishra, John Linhoss, Brett Lumpkins, Woo Kyun Kim, Chrysta Beck, Ayodeji Aderibigbe, Bethany Baker-Cook, Alin Khaliduzzaman, Shawna Weimer, Aaron Bodie, Li Zhang, Hudson Thames, Elizabeth McMillan, Tim Boltz, Ouyinka Olukosi, Wilmer Pacheco, Ariel Bergeron, Ruben Kriseldi, Muhammad Naeem, Manuel Da Costa, Ryan Dilger, Trevor Lee, Elizabeth Dale, Emily Kimminau, Yagya Adhikari, Enrico Casella, Matthew Bailey, Xiang Li, Caitlin Harris, Sabin Poudel, Shijina Manjankattil, Jeff Buhr, Jinquan Wang, Rami Dalloul, Alex Corzo, Sam Rochell, Rob Shirley, Chris Eagleson, Colwayne Morris, Dervan Bryan, Crystal Levesque, Charlene Hanlon, Katie Elliot, Allison Pullin, Yang Zhao, Ruediger Hauck, Danielle Graham, Amal Abdallah Mouhaed, Linan Jia, Joe Giambrone

5. The Society expresses its sorrow at the death of its colleagues:
Julia Dibner
Abit Massey
Denny Hickman
Lloyd Weber
Lee Southern
Luther David Andrews
John Casey
Thomas Carter
6. Special thanks are extended to Dr. Susan Williams of SCAD for coordinating this year's meeting arrangements.

The Resolutions Committee asks the Executive Secretary to enter these resolutions into the minutes of the business meeting,

Attachment 4

**Program Report
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- Thank everyone that agreed to chair a session.
- This year there was a total of 410 (+40) abstracts, 224 (+14) oral presentations and 195 (26) posters. There were 152 (+24) graduate student presentations, with 95 oral presentations and 57 posters in the student competition. There were 20 (+6) undergraduate presentations, with 9 oral presentations and 11 posters.
- This year's registration was 1633 as of noon on Tuesday, January 28.