Reports of Editorial Committees, 2016

A302 AGRONOMY JOURNAL EDITORIAL BOARD

The Agronomy Journal (AJ) Editorial Board met on Tuesday, 8 Nov. 2016 in Phoenix, AR. The Editor Bill Raun called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Those present introduced themselves and the meeting began.

I. Managing Editor’s Report—Susan Ernst

Production Summary. Work for Volume 108 of Agronomy Journal is complete. The 2016 volume contains a total of 2600 published pages, 248 articles, with an average of 10.2 pages per article. The acceptance rate for the year is 35%. There are 27 articles with supplemental material for the year 2016. The statistics for recent issues are shown in Table AJ1.

Table of Contents Topics. See Table AJ2, which shows the number of papers in each category. The most used topic areas are Crop Economics, Production & Management; Soil Fertility & Crop Nutrition; and Agronomy, Soils & Environmental Quality. The least used are Pest Interactions in Agronomic Systems, and Urban Agriculture.

There were 6 Review & Analysis articles published in 2016. The titles are:

• Agronomic Effectiveness of Granular Nitrogen/Phosphorus Fertilizers Containing Elemental Sulfur with and without Ammonium Sulfate: A Review. doi:10.2134/agronj2015.0276
• Plant Foods By-Products as Sources of Health-Promoting Agents for Animal Production: A Review Focusing on the Tropics. doi:10.2134/agronj2015.0555
• Algorithms for In-Season Nutrient Management in Cereals. doi:10.2134/agronj2016.01.0041
• Variability in Optimum Nitrogen Rates for Maize. doi:10.2134/agronj2016.03.0139
• Soil Salinity: A Threat to Global Food Security. doi:10.2134/agronj2016.06.0368

Submissions. The number of submissions are shown in Table AJ3. The number of papers in each category is in revision and will be ready by the end of the year. See Table AJ2 for those who work with AJ.

Outgoing Board Members. Thank you to Bill Raun, AJ editor; the entire editorial board; Danielle Lynch, publications systems assistant; Brett Holte, submissions manager, Janet Riley, billing, and Keith Lovejoy, reprints.

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Other Items. (1) In 2016, headquarters staff implemented a “Publish with Us” campaign. The goal was to raise awareness about our publications with annual meeting attendees and encourage them to publish their research in our books. We shared the preliminary annual meeting program with the journal and book editors and editors-in-chief and encourage them to share the information with our editorial board members, and our science.

Table AJ1. Statistics on recent issues of Agronomy Journal

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