what needs to be done. The cost of the operation would be $5,000/month for the total support.

It is reported that the Experiment Station Directors have left open the possibility of allowing professional societies to become part of this $5,000 program.

The Board was asked its feeling of having the Jaenke group represent the society relative to the initiatives such as this one or to other initiatives of the past. As far as is known the membership has been in favor of the officers making a trip to Washington, D.C., to see government officials. The biggest change would be for someone to help the officers get there at the right time. The concept of developing a permanent representative in Washington has been discussed several times. This approach seems to be a desirable thing to do and some people feel that this is something that the societies need. If taken, this action is only a stepping stone someday to a permanent person in Washington.

The Jaenke group is not a lobbying group but is an organization which supplies information to its clients and the clients determine what use to make of the information. The comment was made that if we get this information, which would be desirable, what will we do with it. We feel that as an entire group we are not unified enough on one decision to even pass a resolution, so what would be done with this kind of information? In reply, it was stated that this type of activity pertains almost entirely to funding research and extension. It doesn’t get into a lot of issues that are emotional. The funds need to be kept coming for agricultural research. But even on the subject of formula grants versus competitive grants, differences of opinion exist without our societies.

The Board was reminded that the report on long range planning warned us of the need to plan well before initiating new programs and obtain the sentiments of members. This caution should be followed here before taking action.

ACTION: It was moved, seconded, and carried to accept and approve the following resolution:

Whereas, the press, radio, and television personnel and the staffs

A700-799 MEETINGS

A731 Location of Meetings

Dr. Stelly reported on the discussions which took place in the Committee meeting.

The 1979 meetings will be held 5–10 August at Colorado State Univ., Fort Collins. For the 1980 meetings, the Committee recommends that sites in San Antonio, Toronto, Minneapolis, Kamas City, or St. Louis be investigated. San Antonio is the favored site, but should it not work out, Miami, Dallas, or Houston should be considered. The 1981 meetings will be held 29 November to 3 December in Atlanta. In 1982, Las Vegas is a strong contender. If Las Vegas does not work out for 1982, the A731 Committee suggests that sites in San Antonio, Toronto, Minneapolis, Kamas City, or possibly Reno be considered.

A731-831 Resolutions

Whereas, the press, radio, and television personnel and the staffs

Executive Vice-president’s Report

ASA — 1978

This report summarizes the major accomplishments and happenings in the society within the past year. I am pleased to report that the society has had a good year in regard to increased membership, finances, and involvement in activities.

General Activities and Projects

Membership. A milestone has been reached in society membership in 1978. The Society has topped the 10,000-member mark; this eventful occurrence took place on 9 June 1978. Mr. Donald Donnert was the 10,000th person to join the society and was recognized as such at the AASHO Annual Meetings in Chicago.

The Journal of Environmental Quality also enjoyed an increase in subscribers; the circulation of the Journal of Environmental Quality has increased from 2,461 in 1977 to 2,435 in 1978, a slight but nevertheless welcome increase in subscribers.

Circulation of the Journal of Agricultural Education has shown no change as of mid-year (Table 2) in 1978. Circulation of the Journal of Agronomic Education has shown no change as of mid-year (Table 2) in 1978. Circulation of the Journal of Agronomic Education has remained steady at 2,416 in 1977 and 2,435 in 1978.

Publications. Just as membership has increased, so has the circulation of Agronomy Journal. The journal had a circulation of 8,181 in 1977; an increase of 390 subscribers (Table 2). Data reported in this table reveal that the Society of Agronomy, the Crop Science Society of America, and the Soil Science Society of America performed admirably in planning and conducting these meetings.

Be it resolved, that the American Society of Agronomy, the Crop Science Society of America, and the Soil Science Society of America recognize the faithful and diligent performance of these officers and committee members.

Whereas, Dr. J. W. Pendleton, President, and Dr. J. W. Pendleton, President-Elect, of the American Society of Agronomy; Dr. Johnson, President, and Dr. R. G. Creech, President-Elect, of the American Society of Agronomy; Dr. F. P. Pratt, President, and Dr. Leo M. Walsh, Vice President, of the Soil Science Society of America; Dr. M. Stelly, Executive Vice President, and the other officers and committee members of the Society of Agronomy, the Crop Science Society of America, and the Soil Science Society of America, and the many commercial and educational exhibitors.

WHEREAS, the Soil Science Society of America performed admirably in planning and conducting these meetings.