On June 25, 1971 at Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, thirty-three Wisconsin soil scientists assembled and took initial action to form a Society of Applied Soil Scientists. Soil scientists from the Soil Conservation Service, U.S. Forest Service and several universities of Wisconsin were represented at the meeting. Elected as temporary officers were Delbert Thomas, president; Gordon Wing, secretary-treasurer, and Ernest Link, vice-president. An organizational committee consisting of Harry Strelow, Robert Slota, and Auggie Otter was appointed. The elected officers will also function on this committee. Phillip McColley, Paul Carroll and Sherman Redke were appointed to the membership committee.

The organization is intended for all Wisconsin Applied Soil Scientists regardless of employment affiliation. A fall meeting date has been set.

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