

2024 Idaho Association of Plant Protection – Business Meeting and Treasurer’s Report
Submitted by Jeff Miller, Treasurer

The Idaho Association of Plant Protection held its annual meeting November 6-7, 2024 at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science (315 Falls Ave.) at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, ID.

The meeting attendee count was 75 in person Wednesday. A count was not taken on Thursday, but attendance was lower than Wednesday.

The Treasurer’s report for 2024 was given. (An updated version created after the meeting is provided here):

The Treasurer’s Report for 2024 (December 3, 2024):

| Item | Amount |
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| Account Balance December 1, 2023: | \$2,074.83 |
| Talech mobile charges (April, May) | -\$50.00 |
| IAPP account balance October 1, 2024: | \$2,024.83 |
| 2024 Transactions | |
| Pre-meeting sponsorships (BASF, Syngenta) | \$700.00 |
| Pre-meeting registrations (PayPal) | \$60.00 |
| Room rental – Herrett Center | -\$746.00 |
| Food and Beverage – Sodexo | -\$1,877.42 |
| On-site meeting registrations - Wednesday (Square) | \$883.74 |
| On-site meeting registrations - Thursday (Square) | \$87.36 |
| Meeting registrations (PayPal) | \$313.06 |
| Cash from meeting registrations | \$680.00 |
| Reimbursement to Jeff Miller for Square payment system | -\$62.53 |
| Net 2023 Meeting: | \$38.21 |
| Current Balance: | \$2,063.04 |

The 2023 Minutes were sent by email. If you did not get them, please contact Jeff Miller to be sure you are on the email list. The 2023 minutes were approved (John Snelling moved, Kasia Duellman seconded. Unanimous vote.)

The Talech credit card system through US Bank began charging a \$25 monthly fee in April of 2024. I did not catch this charge until May when IAPP had been charged a second time. The Talech system has been cancelled due to the fees. Additionally, the hardware IAPP has been using for PayPal has become obsolete. I purchased a Square card reader to assist in on-site meeting registration.

A discussion was held on the cost of the meeting. While the catering was expensive, this cost could be reduced in the future by planning for fewer people. The cost of registration was discussed, but no motion was made to change the current structure of \$30 and \$20 for students.

With the help of industry sponsorship, the meeting did not go in the red this year and that is our goal.

The venue of the Herrett Center was very nice and a motion was made (Kasia Duellman, seconded by Kelie Yoho) to hold the 2025 meeting at the same location. The motion unanimously passed. The date for the meeting was set for November 5-6, 2025.

Thanks to John Snelling for serving as the industry co-chair. Gustavo Teixeira will remain as the university co-chair through November 2025.

Mitch Bauske and Nathan Gelles were nominated to serve as the industry co-chair for 2025-2026. Mitch received 18 votes and Nathan received 15. Mitch Bauske will serve as the new industry co-chair.

A general discussion about meeting content was held. It was suggested that more horticulture- or forestry-based presentations would be welcome. The sponsor updates were a positive addition to the meeting. It was suggested that a roundtable discussion on current updates related to plant protection be a part of the meeting (this has been done in the past and the request was to bring this back).

The meeting was adjourned.

Miller Research currently hosts a page that advertises for the meeting. (See <https://millerresearch.com/event/2025-idaho-association-of-plant-protection/> for the 2025 meeting). Please let me know if you have any suggestions for improvement.

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IAPP Treasurer