The meeting was called to order by ASA President Jerry Hatfield. Participants were:

Jerry L. Hatfield, ASA President
Kenneth J. Moore, ASA President-Elect
David A. Sleper, ASA Past President
Henry L. Shands, CSSA President
William J. Wiebold, CSSA President-Elect
Steven L. Fales, CSSA Past President
Rattan Lal, SSSA President
Gary A. (Pete) Peterson, SSSA President-Elect
Mary E. Collins, SSSA Past President
Ellen Bergfeld, Executive Vice President
Also present:
Marcus M. Alley, Incoming ASA President-Elect
Paul M. Bertsch, Incoming SSSA President-Elect
Saul Winsten, Legal Counsel
Fran Katz, Chief Operating Officer
Cathy Goudreau, Recorder

A.C.S 201 Organization, Policy, and Bylaws
Action was taken during the March 29, 2007 ASA-CSSA-SSSA Executive Committees Meeting to accept the name of Academy of Crop, Soil and Environmental Science Societies (ACSESS) as the name of the new supporting organization. The CSSA and SSSA Boards of Directors requested that consideration be given to changing the word ‘Academy’ to ‘Alliance’.

ACTION: It was moved to change the name of the new supporting organization to Alliance of Crop, Soil and Environmental Science Societies (ACSESS). Seconded. Carried with two opposed.

The SSSA Board also requested development of a diagram structure for ACSESS portraying ASA, CSSA, and SSSA as equal partners with their own identity; that ACSESS documents reflect it is a supporting organization; and that an article be prepared for CSA News informing the membership of the status of the management entity.

Jerry Hatfield, Henry Shands, and Rattan Lal will work with Ellen Bergfeld and Saul Winsten on the draft Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation to be presented to the Boards of Directors for approval.

The next meeting of the ACSESS Board is scheduled for August 19-21, 2007 at the Aldo Leopold Legacy Center in northern Wisconsin. The ASA, CSSA, and SSSA Budget and Finance Committees will meet in Madison August 22-24, 2007. It was the consensus of the group to hold a town hall meeting during the Annual Meetings in New Orleans to update the membership on the new supporting organization.

A290 Headquarters
Action was taken at the April 24-25, 2007 ASA Board of Directors Meeting to proceed with initial planning for a new headquarters building with Boldt Technical Services and to follow up with a feasibility study based on conceptual plans. Jerry Hatfield, Ken Moore, Mark Alley, Ken Quesenberry, Paul Bertsch, Ellen Bergfeld, and representatives from Boldt Technical Services, will serve on the headquarters building design team.

Agronomists Without Borders
The concept of an Agronomists Without Borders program has been discussed in the past. Ken Moore, Bill Wiebold, and Pete Peterson will develop a specific proposal for further discussion.

Meeting adjourned.