2025 MAENPP General Business Meeting Meetings

I. Call to Order

a. Tessie Wilkerson called the MAENPP general business meeting to order at 12:19 P.M. on October 28, 2025.

II. Meeting Discussion

- a. Santos Portugal gave an update on the state of MAENPP financials. Portugal mentioned that registration dues were slightly raised in 2024 to help offset the rising cost of catering.
- b. Patricia Wooden mentioned that the Midsouth Entomologist Journal will be hosted by the Mississippi State University library. This allows for the journal articles to be discoverable on Google Scholar and to be assigned DOI numbers.
- c. Tessie Wilkerson discussed a change in the organizational scholarship application that requires scholarship applicants to be registered for the meeting to be qualified to win the scholarship.
- d. Officer nominations were discussed and voted on. Chang Liu was nominated as the new Vice President, and Whitney Crow was nominated as the incoming President. Santos Portugal made a motion to accept the nominations, Tom Allen seconded. All in favor, no opposed.
- e. Andie Miller, Kaitlin Baudier, and Jermaine Perrier were added to the Directors Board.
- f. Beverly Catchot discussed the Hare Fellowship that is eligible for graduate students in plant pathology and weed science.

Whitney Crow adjourned the meeting at 12:31 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Tyler Towles.