

S001.2 PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE SOIL SCIENCE SOCIETY OF AMERICA

A. Status: Officer of the Society

B. Composition and Tenure:

The President-Elect of the Soil Science Society of America is a member of the Society who has been elected as President-Elect of SSSA by popular ballot of the SSSA voting membership. The President-Elect must hold the Active membership category or another category having the same privileges as Active membership (Emeritus, Corporate, Certification).

The term of office is a calendar year, Jan. 1-Dec. 31. Traditionally, the gavel is passed at the awards program at the SSSA Annual Meetings.

C. Functions:

1. To serve as a member of the SSSA Executive Committee, SSSA Board of Directors, and Alliance of Crop, Soil and Environmental Science Societies (ACSESS) Board of Directors. Also serves on the following committees:
 - Ex-officio member of the Budget and Finance Committee
 - Ex-officio member of the North American Proficiency Testing (NAPT) Program Committee for 3 years through the terms of President-Elect, President, and Past President. As such, appointment for this position shall take place every 3 years.
 - Honorary Member of SSSA Committee
 - Soil Science Distinguished Service Award Committee
 - Ex-Officio member of S592 Science Policy Committee
 - Liaison to the Council of Scientific Society Presidents for 3 years through the terms of President-Elect, President, and Past President. As such, appointment for this position shall take place every 3 years.
 - Liaison to the American Geosciences Institute for 3 years through the terms of President-Elect, President, and Past President. As such, appointment for this position shall take place every 3 years.
 - Liaison to the U.S. National Committee for Soil Science of the National Academy of Sciences for 3 years through the terms of President-Elect, President, and Past President. As such, appointment for this position shall take place every 3 years.
2. To serve as General Program Chair and Chair of the Committee on SSSA Program Planning. Develops, in conjunction with the President, programs for the general and technical sessions of the Annual Meeting. In conjunction with the ASA and CSSA Program Chairs, selects the theme for the Annual Meeting. Serves as a member of the Annual Meetings Planning Committee.
3. By authorization of the President, to review, correct and approve the minutes of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors meetings and conference calls, as organized and submitted by

the Chief Executive Officer. Also may be called upon to assist in taking minutes at Board and/or Executive Committee meetings. Minutes from Executive Committee and Board of Directors meetings are posted at www.soils.org/about-society/executive-committee-minutes

4. By authorization of the President, to appoint new members to existing committees, at least two months prior to the Annual Meeting, in order to enable new and current committee members to meet during the Annual Meeting.
5. To perform other duties which traditionally and normally fall within the scope of this office or which are designated by the President of the Society.
6. SSSA will pay expenses for the President-Elect to attend Executive Committee meetings, Board of Directors meetings, and other meetings where the individual is performing official duties on behalf of the Society. This includes the Society's annual meeting.
7. If the President-Elect should become unable to serve the term of office at any time before actually being installed as President, the Executive Committee will designate someone to serve as President-Elect for as long as is necessary up to the remainder of that term and will inform the Board of Directors of this action. Special consideration will be given to other candidates for President-Elect in the most recent elections. If the person originally elected resumes the office of President-Elect before the end of that term, that person shall automatically succeed to the Presidency in the normal manner. If the alternate designated by the Executive Committee serves until the end of that term, that person shall succeed to the Presidency in the normal manner.

D. Presidential Responsibilities:

The SSSA President:

1. Notifies the Incoming President-Elect of the election results.
2. Assists the President-Elect in his/her duties as General Program Chair and any other responsibilities as a general officer of the Society.
3. Shares with the President-Elect, before leaving office, all important information, records, and experiences gained during the administrative year that will be helpful to ensure continuity in Society affairs.