



Texas Soil Profiles

2024 PSSAT Annual Meeting Information

Date: February 6, 2024
Location: C&J BBQ
Reville Rooms A&B
2112 W. Briargate
Bryan, TX
Time: Social – 5:30 PM
Time: Annual Meeting – 6:30 PM

2024 PSSAT Officers

President – Cole Patton, USDA-NRCS, Bryan
President-Elect – Dr. Richard Griffin, Prairie View A&M University
Vice President – Charles Pehl, retired
Treasurer – Travis Waiser, USDA-NRCS, Kerrville
Editor – Jamey Douglass, USDA-NRCS, retired, Temple
Past President – Jamey Douglass, USDA-NRCS, retired, Temple

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2024 DUES are due. Payment Options:

- 1) Travis Waiser, Treasurer, will email invoices for dues via PayPal before the annual meeting. *Subject: Invoice from Professional Soil Scientists Association of Texas.*
- 2) Mail to Treasurer: Travis Waiser
146 Deer Park Ln. Kerrville, TX 78028
- 3) Pay at the annual meeting.

President's Message from Cole Patton

It's hard to believe that our annual meeting is just a few weeks away!

Many of you were founding members of this organization and your continued support and commitment to PSSAT is appreciated more than you know.

Running an organization such as ours is not a one-man job. I encourage anyone interested and willing to assist with PSSAT leadership or serve on a committee to make the president, nominations committee, or other officers aware.

Our Executive Council met several times to plan for a field trip. Although due to circumstances beyond our control, we were not able to host it this year. I want to thank them for their efforts as well as attending meetings to address items.

A few others deserve acknowledgement. Jon Brandt, stepped up as webmaster, after the previous one moved, and has helped train his replacement. Jamey Douglas returned to the role of Editor – I'm not sure if anyone has actively served as an officer longer. Travis Waiser continues to serve as Treasurer (for 3rd term). Thanks to the many others who pitch in to keep PSSAT afloat.

I have enjoyed my time as President, and I look forward to seeing everyone at this year's meeting.

I am pleased to be welcoming in Dr. Richard Griffin as the new PSSAT President. I know he will lead us in the right direction.



SCHOLARSHIP REMINDER:

The Annual PSSAT Scholarship deadline is January 22, 2024. Please share with any soils students who might be interested in applying.

Application information can be found on the PSSAT Website pssat.org under the College Scholarships Tab ([College Scholarships – Professional Soil Scientists Association of Texas \(pssat.org\)](https://pssat.org/college-scholarships)).

Any questions can be sent to scholarship@pssat.org.

PSSAT Absentee Ballot
February 6, 2024

Nominees:

President-Elect (2-year term):

- Alan Stahnke, State Soil Scientist, (USDA-NRCS), Temple
- Write-in Nominee: _____

Vice President (1-year term):

- Kelly Spencer, American Electric Power, Waskom, TX
- Dr. Lindsey Slaughter, Texas Tech Univ, Lubbock. TX
- Write-in Nominee: _____

This absentee ballot is for PSSAT Members who will not be attending the in-person meeting on February 6th in Bryan, Texas.

Place a checkmark beside the nominees' names to place your vote or to concur with the Nomination Committee's selections. You can also write-in a nominee to nominate alternative members to be considered for the above positions.

How to turn in absentee ballots:

Option 1 – Place ballot in an envelope labeled “BALLOT”, seal, and then use a 2nd envelope to address and mail to:

Travis Waiser
146 Deer Park Ln.
Kerrville, TX 78028

Mail ballots before January 24th to be counted at the Annual Meeting on February 6th.

Option 2 – Email the absentee ballot to Travis Waiser at plantsandsoils@yahoo.com.

February 4th is the deadline for emailing absentee ballots.