



Africa Rice Center – (WARDA)

Centre du riz pour l'Afrique – (ADRAO)

Summary and Recommendations of the Nominating Committee

28th Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Monday, 10 March 2008

1. Terms of Service of WARDA Board Members and Membership Renewals

Messrs Remi Pochat, Clementine Dabiré and Bamba Gue have completed their tenure on the WARDA Board effective the end of the March 2008 meeting.

2. Status of Common IITA/WARDA membership

It was clarified that Adama Traore ceases to be a common IITA/WARDA Board member in June 2008 and Barbara Becker in 2010. They will however, continue their tenure in the WARDA Board as per their mandate.

3. Election of Board Chair

The Nominating Committee recommended that Getachew Engida is elected to serve as incoming Board Chair.

4. Membership in Committees

The Nominating Committee recommended the new membership of the Board Committees as indicated in Section 8 of the minutes. Furthermore, Adama Traore is to become the vice-Chair of the Board by virtue of being recommended to serve as Chair of the Nominating Committee.

5. Replacement of Members

i) Henri Carsalade of Agropolis International in France was recommended to replace Tsedeke Abate of Ethiopia on the WARDA Board.

ii) The Nominating Committee recommended Peter Matlon, formerly of Rockefeller Foundation, as a candidate from North America to replace Gaston Grenier in 2010. It was recommended that Emmanuel Owusu-Bennoah's replacement would come from

East Africa and should be pursued starting now bearing in mind the competencies and skills being sought by the Board.

iii) The Nominating Committee recommended that a data bank of CVs of potential candidates for board membership be established and updated as needed for use in searching for replacements for the four Board members leaving in 2013.

7. Participation of new Board members in the CGIAR Orientation Program

The Nominating Committee recommended that new WARDA Board members from the Africa region should be nominated to participate in the next CG Board Orientation Program.

8. Participation of WARDA Board members in the next IRRI Board meeting

The Nominating Committee recommended that two WARDA Board members be nominated to participate in the next IRRI Board meeting.