

March P-IE GC meeting minutes
Conference Call
March 17, 2021

Present:

Jeff Bradshaw, Past President
David Onstad, President
Rebecca Schmidt-Jeffris, Vice President
Surendra Dara, Vice-President Elect
Anjel Helms, Secretary
Lina Bernaola, Treasurer
Nicholas Larson, Early-Career Professional Representative
Melissa Siebert, ESA Governing Board Representative
Michelle Boone, Student Representative
Erin Cadwalader, ESA Liaison
Rob Morrison, P-IE Rep to ESA Awards Committee

1. ESA Awards Committee Updates – Rob
 - a. Rob needs to fill 5 vacancies on the awards panels by April 4th
 - i. Awards committee has subcommittees for each of the national-level ESA awards
 1. Committee wants to assemble diverse panels (career stages, backgrounds, etc.)
 2. Plan was made to advertise in ESA news-Rob will prepare a paragraph with his contact information
 3. Erin shared the ESA volunteer database
 4. Jeff shared the ESA member database
2. February P-IE updates – David
 - a. GC voted to allocate \$9,000 to pollinator WIG
 - b. Upcoming webinars
 - i. Melissa hosting “History of ESA sections” 3/18/21 1:30PM EST
 1. 5 RSVPs so far
 2. Anjel will continue to promote on Twitter
 - ii. Michelle hosting “P-IE Student Listening Session” 3/29/21 1PM EST
 1. No RSVPs so far
 2. Anjel will continue to promote on Twitter
3. Section symposium discussion – David
 - a. Goal was set to accept 15-16 proposals as section symposia
 - b. GC voted to accept the top 14 proposals as section symposia
 - c. GC discussed the remaining proposals and decided the following:
 - i. GC voted to accept one additional proposal as a section symposium
 - ii. GC agreed to provide a statement of support for another proposal to be included as a member symposium

4. Treasurer's report – Lina
 - a. 2021 current budget \$46,898
 - i. 2021 Section allocation \$17,396
 - ii. Approved 2021 section expenses for WIGS and initiatives \$15,000
 1. Invasive species \$5,000
 - a. Request approved to carry over funds if not spent in 2021
 2. Pollinators \$9,000
 3. ESA EOC (education and outreach) \$1,000
5. Stacie East's Travel Award proposal – David
 - a. GC discussed proposal to provide a travel award for an underrepresented undergraduate student
 - i. GC supports providing funding for a student to attend a branch meeting in 2022
 - ii. Plan was proposed for applications to be due in late 2021
 - iii. Proposal was made to cover meeting expenses and the annual student membership fee
 - b. GC approved motion to create a travel award for an underrepresented undergraduate student to attend a branch meeting in 2022 (the award will cover meeting expenses and ESA membership), with applications due at the end of 2021
 - c. Specific eligibility criteria for award will be discussed during next meeting
6. Story for the American Entomologist – David
 - a. Article is due by April 2nd for publication in July 2021
 - b. Proposal to discuss 2021 P-IE initiatives (WIGS, EOC, D&I)
 - c. Proposal to discuss P-IE section symposia for 2021 meeting