

**Minutes from ESA Plant-Insect Ecosystems Governing Board Meeting  
Conference Call  
July 31, 2017**

**Present:**

Melissa Willrich Siebert, President  
Mark Wright, VP  
Diane Alston, VP-Elect  
Fred Musser, Past President  
Rebecca Schmidt-Jeffris, Secretary  
Patrick Moran, Treasurer  
Sujaya Rao, Governing Board Representative  
Carlos Esquivel, Student Representative  
Chris Stelzig, ESA

**1. Pollinator Initiative Committee**

- Discussion of getting word out about video competition

**2. Judges for Student Competition Update**

- Currently recruiting alternates and finalizing scheduling

**3. Premier Posters**

- No sections will be affiliated with selected posters
- Need to discuss future of this event and section involvement

**4. Discussion of networking session schedule**

- Will include awards, video contest summary, field tour summary, guest speakers
- This leaves 30 min for refreshments/networking
- Diane will work on master presentation
- Need to get slides from advisors introducing students winning awards
- Worked on catering menu for this and morning feedback session

**5. Budget Update (Patrick)**

- Current balance: \$39,297.34
- Includes income and expenses from pollinator tour

**6. Use of survey data**

- Suggested handout to discuss at feedback session
- Melissa will make this an email action item

## **7. Field tour**

- All payments made except food and beverage
- Melissa will circulate final printed program
- Rebecca will tweet any pictures that Melissa sends from tour
- Tour organizers currently working on post-tour survey