April 12, 2012 P-IE Governing Council (GC) Meeting

Attendees: Pendleton, Thompson, Siebert, Davis, Adamczyk, Newton, Peterson

“Tell the Branches” Update: Melissa Siebert provided the update at the joint SEB/SWB meeting. George Hamilton provided the update for the ECB. Paula Davis will provide the NCB update.

Budget Update, Paula Davis:

- Current balance is $37,756.
- In 2012, P-IE is still committed to funding 50% of expenses for SME to EPA.
- ESA will credit P-IE with $1,000 for sharing a booth at the International IPM Symposium in March in Memphis.

Discussion on P-IE Monday Afternoon Session in Knoxville: The GC discussed having a theme around IPM and the current funding issues that IPM is being faced with.

IPM Voice: There was discussion around P-IE joining IPM Voice. Melissa Siebert provided a brief overview on IPM Voice. It was then decided that the P-IE External Relations Committee, headed by Dr. B. Rogers Leonard, would vet the idea of whether P-IE should join. It was also discussed that Robert Wright could contribute an article to an upcoming newsletter to outline the scope and intent of IPM Voice.

NIFA and IR-4 Letters of Support: P-IE GC members have been approached about preparing letters on recent NIFA and IR-4 funding proposals. The GC will allow the P-IE External Relations Committee, headed by Dr. B. Rogers Leonard, to vet this proposal.

Naming of New Masters Level Student Award: Currently one proposal has been submitted.

UnderGraduate Student Awards: To date, the GC is not aware of any applicants. P-IE GC should continue to advertise the award in upcoming newsletters to encourage applicants.

Volunteers for ESA National Meeting/P-IE: Currently Gary Thompson has 105 volunteers, but more are still needed. In the May newsletter, continue to post the announcement recruiting volunteers and also individuals interested in serving on committees.

P-IE GC Get Acquainted Biographies: Melissa Siebert and Paula Davis will prepare a biography for upcoming newsletters.

April 12 meeting minutes approved by: Bonnie Pendleton, Melissa Siebert, Paula Davis, Gary Thompson, John Adamczyk, Joy Newton, Bob Peterson