April 17, 2013 P-IE Governing Council (GC) Meeting

**Attendees:** Thompson, Siebert, Adamczyk, Pendleton

**Regrets:** Rao, Sparks, Davis, Newton

**Symposia Selection Results** – P-IE GC received 32 symposia submission and were charged with ranking them for the program chairs. Twenty two symposia were selected by the ESA program Chairs for P-IE Section Symposia. The remaining 10 symposia were placed as member symposia.

**Nomination and Election Options for 2013** – The section has until May 16th to submit nominations for national offices and has asked that nominees be submitted by April 30. The GC discussed the scenario if multiple nominees were submitted for particular positions that a runoff election among P-IE members would have to be expedited to meet the May 16th deadline. There was further discussion concerning the date ESA also has of June 3rd at which candidates may be still be nominated for national office by groups of 10 members. The GC asks that Stormy Sparks (P-IE GC Representative) follow-up with the ESA GC to see if these dates can be combined and moved as late as practical.

**Feedback on Volunteer Database** – GC members are hearing unsolicited feedback concerning the new ESA volunteer database and difficulties in using the system. However, since this GC meeting, some problems may have been addressed. John Adamczyk continues to gain volunteers via email after each month’s P-IE newsletter is distributed.

**Financial Update** – Current balance is $40,109 and no new bills were submitted this month.

**Governing Board Update** – Stormy Sparks provided an update by email and provided updates on the new ESA headquarters office, ESA financials, and annual meeting symposia selections.

**Student Awards Nomination Status** – Student awards have been announced within newsletters and documents have been updated on various ESA/P-IE website links. The awards committee is awaiting student submissions.

**Special Projects** – The P-GC will be initiating a survey to distribute to P-IE members to gather input on initiatives and comments related to P-IE section activities.

**Approved:** Gary Thompson, Melissa Siebert, Bonnie Pendleton, John Adamczyk