May 22, 2014 P-IE Governing Council (GC) Meeting

Attendees: Andy Michel, John Adamczyk, Stormy Sparks, Patrick Moran, Sujaya Rao, Gary Thompson, Alejandro Del Pozo-Valdivia, Fred Musser

1. Update on P-IE Awards
   - We have noticed an increase in submissions for awards
   - Advertising with CEDA may have helped advertise the awards
   - We have many deserving undergraduate awards, and the maximum 4 were selected
   - P-IE will be responsible for handling applications and administering the Starks Award, but will be in discussion with ESA on the future of this award
   - Appreciation for Bonnie Pendleton and the Awards committee for taking on new responsibilities
   - More award deadlines coming (advertising in newsletter and CEDA)

2. Update on ESA Annual Meeting/P-IE Networking Session
   - Program is finalized with 3 confirmed speakers
     - Dr. Wayne Hunter (RNAi), Dr. Tracy Leskey (BMSB Research & Outreach Community) and Dr. Mike Gray (IPM Challenges).
   - Program of the joint session with MUVE on 100 years of extension is progressing
   - New ESA rule of 1 invited talk per individual speaker is making for some complications.
   - Sujaya with help from John and Fred will begin to request and list volunteers for moderators and judges (think about nominations).

3. P-IE VP Elect Nomination - GC Review and Discussion
   - More nominations are requested, perhaps put a call through CEDA again
   - At least 1 candidate has been nominated.

4. Update from Mark Whalon, EPA Liaison
   - Trips to EPA were postponed, no reports yet

5. Review Draft of May P-IE Newsletter
   - Send comments to John
   - May include write ups from Undergraduate Award Winners (Bonnie Pendleton may have some information)

6. Budget Update
   - Same balance as previous months
   - Money for awards will be processed soon
   - P-IE will commit $500 for a symposium on employment opportunities to encourage P-IE members’ attendance