

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

Attendees: Thompson, Adamczyk, Pendleton, Rao, Davis, Sparks

Summer 2013 Elections – We were able to get the extended bios and vision statements of the P-IE candidates out in the July Newsletter the same day the elections opened.

ESA Summer Meeting: John, Stormy and Gary reported on their participation which focused on finalizing the 2013 National Program for John and Gary. This year the program chairs preassigned the Section Symposium which saved a good deal of time and required only minimum adjustments. The assignment of judges and additional reviews of the TMPs and Posters for placement and errors continues. The GC discussed the additional steps needed for the network session.

P-IE Survey: A survey was distributed to P-IE members and closed on June 15th. The P-IE GC reviewed all of the responses. There was general support for the current P-IE initiatives but no new suggested initiatives that could be easily implemented. The GC will continue to investigate new P-IE initiatives.

Summer Governing Board Meeting – Stormy reported on the GB meeting that followed the program committee meeting. Two major topics were discussion of “moon shot” initiatives which came forward during a strategy session. Nothing is certain but most concepts were moved forward for further refinement. There is also a major review of the publications on-going which is important since about half of the societies income comes from publications and there is the continual movement to electronic distribution. Stormy, brought forward the P-IE GC request for further clarity on funding for the sections which was a black box to some. The current by-laws state we can never carry over more than 2X or allocation and our allocation which varies year to year should be considered fairly stable going forward. The GB suggested that sections come to them for special funding of projects rather than trying to accumulate funds for special projects which is a possibility we have been over looking.

Financial Report – Paula reported we started the year with \$41,352 available budgeted to spend \$25,700. Our current spend forecast is \$19,741 which leaves about \$5100 for last minute projects. Some of this may be used to support P-IE subgroups if requests are received and approved. The biggest variable is our support of the EPA SME, Gary took the assignment to get an updated forecast on planned SME activity.

Future Newsletters and GC Meetings – The GC discussed the calendar and felt we could work as smaller teams during August and skip August for an official meeting. Gary will survey the GC for the best dates for September-November times.

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