

Minutes from ESA Plant-Insect Ecosystems Governing Board Meeting
Conference Call
Monday Sept 21, 2015 @ 1 PM (EST), 10 AM (PST)

Present:

Sujaya Rao, President
Fred Musser, Vice President
John Adamczyk, Past President
Melissa Willrich Siebert, Vice President Elect
Andy Michel, Secretary
Patrick Moran, Treasurer
Alton “Stormy” Sparks, ESA Governing Board Representative
Lina Bernaola, Student Representative

Conference Call Agenda:

1. ESA 2015 – Planning
 - Award winners will be contacted by Sujaya to get pictures, and other information for the presentation at the annual meeting.
 - Patrick will request/confirm checks and certificates (for master’s student advisor) are completed
 - Patrick will confirm with Cindy Myers at ESA-HQ for plaques
 - Melissa will request reports from P-IE representatives on ESA committees. Reps will be acknowledged during the P-IE meeting and reports will be posted online, except for those most relevant to P-IE. Specific/important events for the P-IE membership will be included in the presentation

GC Presentation/Meeting:

- Will invite ESA president to provide a presentation
- Include a brief presentation on awards committee
- Include a brief summary on the member initiative discussions from ESA-HQ—meeting our section members’ needs

Student volunteers:

- Lena will email/develop a list of student volunteers to help:
 - take photos of our session
 - pass around signup sheets on clipboards
 - hand-out/manage door prize tickets

Food: Costs are increasing, restrict to 40 drink tickets,

Door Prizes: Patrick will look into purchasing the 3 iPad mini’s as door prizes. Will be given out in 3 competitions: 1) moderators and judges, 2) students, 3) at large attendees to our membership meeting

Advertising the P-IE Member Session:

-Sujaya will contact Rosina about posting flyers on easels, message boards and video boards during the meeting.

2. Treasurer Report – Patrick

-Charges for annual meeting are being encumbered (awards and registration costs for winners and presenters)

3. Science Policy Involvement

-Request was made to have a P-IE member present ESA's pollinator scientific policy statement.

-P-IE GC decided that more discussion will be needed on how best to present science policy statements on behalf of ESA at meetings and for each request

4. September newsletter items

-More attendance at the Marketing for Science Workshop

-Contact information of Lena for student volunteers willing to help

-Graduate Award Winners to highlight

5. Other items of business