August P-IE GC meeting minutes
Conference Call
August 5, 2021

Present:
David Onstad, President
Rebecca Schmidt-Jeffris, Vice President
Surendra Dara, Vice-President Elect
Anjel Helms, Secretary
Lina Bernaola, Treasurer
Nicholas Larson, Early-Career Professional Representative
Michelle Boone, Student Representative
Melissa Siebert, ESA Governing Board Representative
Erin Cadwalader, ESA Liaison

1. July P-IE updates – David
   a. Professional award winners have been selected and will be announced soon
   b. Elections are open until August 19th. Don’t forget to vote!

2. Speed Networking virtual event – Nick
   a. Nick will prepare something for the next newsletter
   b. Preparations are still in progress for the event

3. Pie and beverages for meeting – David
   a. GC approved motion to spend $2,100 on pie and beverages at the annual meeting for an estimated 80 people

4. Annual meeting – David
   a. The networking and awards session
      i. The event will be in-person and will not be live-streamed.
      ii. It is scheduled for Monday, November 1, 2:00-5:00 PM in a large ballroom in the convention center.
      iii. We are expecting about 80 members to attend (down from ~150 in recent years).
      iv. The schedule will include:
         1. Distribute souvenirs
         2. Presentation of awards, ESA presidential address from Michelle Smith, transfer of power to new P-IE president, Rebecca (~30 minutes)
         3. Hot topics (7 topics) (~75 minutes)
      v. Hot topics will also include apiculture and social insects.
      vi. GC passed motion to replace the raffle at the networking session with souvenirs and design contest.
      vii. GC passed a motion to spend up to $2,000 on hats, bags, and t-shirts with the selected art to be distributed at the networking session.
viii. GC passed a motion to award $200 for first and $100 for second place in the art design contest.

ix. Rebecca, Anjel, and Lina will coordinate the criteria for design competition (e.g., colors and materials)
   1. They will prepare the information for the newsletter

5. Treasurer’s report – Lina
   a. She is currently processing undergraduate student awards (only recent expenses).