December P-IE GC meeting minutes
Conference Call
December 13, 2021

Present:
David Onstad, Past President
Rebecca Schmidt-Jeffris, President
Surendra Dara, Vice President
Cesar Rodriguez-Saona, Vice-President Elect
Anjel Helms, Secretary
Lina Bernaola, Treasurer
Melissa Siebert, ESA Governing Board Representative
Nicole Quinn, Early-Career Professional Representative
Michelle Boone, Student Representative
Erin Cadwalader, ESA Liaison
Gwen Pearson, Education and Outreach Committee

1. Education and Outreach Committee Updates — Gwen Pearson
   a. P-IE provided an additional $1000 in support of the Crysallis Fund
   b. Gwen provided an update on EOC activities and responsibilities
   c. ESA member interest is strong overall and there are a lot of overlapping efforts related to EOC (e.g., educational symposia).
   d. The committee’s goal is to achieve better coordination of EOC efforts and resources across ESA.
   e. A proposal is currently in the works to create an EOC section through ESA.

2. Science Policy Oversight Committee — Rebecca
   a. The committee would like a rough set of guidelines from the GC on their expected activities and more involvement with P-IE activities.
   b. They believe that they would be most effective with activities like developing tour ideas, tour agendas, and post-tour documentation.
   c. The committee will be invited to future GC meetings and sent copies of the meeting minutes.
   d. P-IE will update committee membership lists in Drive Folder (Science policy and all other committees).

3. Biocontrol Field Tour — Rebecca
   a. Added Alex Whitener as a tour organizer
   b. Dalton Ludwick is working on sponsorships for the tour.
   c. Current plan is to advertise and open registration December-January 2022.
   d. The tour is scheduled for the week of May 8, 2022.
   e. Corteva and Siebert funding from 2021 is still in reserve to be used for the 2022 tours.

4. Communications Committee Update — Rebecca
b. Discussed goal setting for 2021-2022: Increase overall engagement with members (e.g., through social media) and increase nominations for awards and positions
   i. Fun, small things through P-IE Twitter account (e.g., challenges such as calls to share ento-themed artwork, games, trivia, challenges and promotions leading up to ESA activities)
   ii. One larger communications activity before end of year TBD.
   iii. Rebecca will send them a CC on meetings so they are aware of upcoming newsletters and possible content.
   iv. All materials will be shared in the Drive folder.
   v. Rebecca and Anjel will help with pre-planning newsletters based on major deadlines.

5. ESA committee updates — Rebecca
   a. Awards and honors committee update from Rob Morrison is available in the Drive folder.
      i. 3 positions on this committee are needed by Jan 31st, names should be sent to Surendra Dara.
      ii. Contact info and 1 paragraph background/interest
   b. Science Policy Committee met and provided an update in November 2021.
   c. Nominations committee needs 3 positions, nominations are due Jan 31st to Surendra Dara.
      i. Contact info and 1 paragraph background/interest

6. Treasurer’s Report — Lina
   a. Pollinator WIG funding allocation was not spent in 2021.
   b. P-IE 2022 budget will be available early January 2022.
      i. GC will meet and discuss 2022 spending and postponing pollinator funds during the second week January after the budget is available.
   c. P-IE met the spending requirements for 2021.

7. General updates — Rebecca
   a. Section symposia criteria are updated and posted for 2022.
   b. Three student travel award nominations were received.
      i. Rebecca will set up a way to review packets before the next GC meeting.