March P-IE GC meeting minutes
Conference Call
March 17, 2021

Present:
Jeff Bradshaw, Past President
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
Melissa Siebert, ESA Governing Board Representative
Michelle Boone, Student Representative
Erin Cadwalader, ESA Liaison
Rob Morrison, P-IE Rep to ESA Awards Committee

1. ESA Awards Committee Updates – Rob
   a. Rob needs to fill 5 vacancies on the awards panels by April 4th
      i. Awards committee has subcommittees for each of the national-level ESA awards
         1. Committee wants to assemble diverse panels (career stages, backgrounds, etc.)
         2. Plan was made to advertise in ESA news-Rob will prepare a paragraph with his contact information
         3. Erin shared the ESA volunteer database
         4. Jeff shared the ESA member database

2. February P-IE updates – David
   a. GC voted to allocate $9,000 to pollinator WIG
   b. Upcoming webinars
      i. Melissa hosting “History of ESA sections” 3/18/21 1:30PM EST
         1. 5 RSVPs so far
         2. Anjel will continue to promote on Twitter
      ii. Michelle hosting “P-IE Student Listening Session” 3/29/21 1PM EST
         1. No RSVPs so far
         2. Anjel will continue to promote on Twitter

3. Section symposium discussion – David
   a. Goal was set to accept 15-16 proposals as section symposia
   b. GC voted to accept the top 14 proposals as section symposia
   c. GC discussed the remaining proposals and decided the following:
      i. GC voted to accept one additional proposal as a section symposium
      ii. GC agreed to provide a statement of support for another proposal to be included as a member symposium
4. Treasurer’s report – Lina
   a. 2021 current budget $46,898
      i. 2021 Section allocation $17,396
      ii. Approved 2021 section expenses for WIGS and initiatives $15,000
         1. Invasive species $5,000
            a. Request approved to carry over funds if not spent in 2021
         2. Pollinators $9,000
         3. ESA EOC (education and outreach) $1,000

5. Stacie East’s Travel Award proposal – David
   a. GC discussed proposal to provide a travel award for an underrepresented undergraduate student
      i. GC supports providing funding for a student to attend a branch meeting in 2022
      ii. Plan was proposed for applications to be due in late 2021
      iii. Proposal was made to cover meeting expenses and the annual student membership fee
   b. GC approved motion to create a travel award for an underrepresented undergraduate student to attend a branch meeting in 2022 (the award will cover meeting expenses and ESA membership), with applications due at the end of 2021
   c. Specific eligibility criteria for award will be discussed during next meeting

6. Story for the American Entomologist – David
   a. Article is due by April 2\textsuperscript{nd} for publication in July 2021
   b. Proposal to discuss 2021 P-IE initiatives (WIGS, EOC, D&I)
   c. Proposal to discuss P-IE section symposia for 2021 meeting