

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).