

SysEB 2022 Meeting Minutes
Monday December 12, 2022 12-1 PT
Zoom Link: <https://ucsb.zoom.us/j/84113634456>

1. Attendance

- Present: Katja Seltmann (President)
- Present: Chris Hamilton (Past President)
- Present: Andrea Lucky (Vice President)
- Marek Borowiec (Vice President-Elect)
- Present: Craig Brabant (Treasurer)
- Present: Andrew Short (GB Representative)
- Present: Emily Sandall (Early Career Professionals Committee)
- Present: Amelia Smith (Student Affairs Committee)
- Present: Becky Simmons (Entomology Games Committee)
- Present: Salka Tuwa Bondoc Mafla (Diversity and Inclusion Committee)
- Stephen Cameron (Awards Committee)
- Anahí Espindola (Education and Outreach Committee)
- Bill Wills (Science Policy Committee)
- Phillip Barden (Publication Council)

1. Monthly meeting and meeting schedule

a. Schedule monthly meeting

i. Mid-January meeting to include

1. Reviews/revise call for SysEB Student Travel Award applications and judging criteria (<https://entsoc.org/syseb/student-research-travel-award>)
2. Topics for American Entomologist blurb
3. Ratification of meeting minutes from the annual meeting
4. First newsletter, include student section with FAQ directed toward students
5. First newsletter include SysEB Student Travel Award applications
6. First newsletter link to reports

b. List major deadlines

- i. Symposia solicitation (Feb)
- ii. Call for SysEB Student Travel Award applications (Feb 1)
- iii. Get final reports and send to officers
- iv. Post the annual meeting minutes (VPE)
 1. Website updates to Erin Cadwalader <ECadwalader@entsoc.org>
- v. Quarterly blurbs for American Entomologist

2. Governing Board Report (Andrew)

3. Finance Report (Craig)

4. Other Committee Reports

5. Upcoming deadlines

- a. Get final reports and send to officers
- b. Post the annual meeting minutes: VPE

6. Newsletter

- a. What should we include in the newsletter (awards, symposia, minutes from annual meeting)
- b. How is the newsletter sent

- c. 2-4 newsletters around awards or nominations. Spring awards. Cannot email directly. May take a week for it to get into the cue. Symposia and award communication.
- 7. Other Business (Annual meeting wrap-up, support for section symposia, etc.?)
- 8. Discussion about ESA Presidential Task Force on Insect Loss and Fish and Wildlife Agencies Invertebrate Conservation Working Group
 - a. “There are (loosely) 6 working groups, and folks can volunteer to work on any one or multiple of those.”
 - b. Working group 1: What are we doing at ESA toward reducing insect decline; what are we doing at ESA that worsens insect decline? What should we be doing as a learned society on this topic? Start activities Fall 2022
 - c. Working group 2: (Andrea) What ESA members are working on insect decline and how could they be involved? How are sections and branches approaching issues of insect decline differently? Maybe a survey for membership, connect with section and branch leaders
Start activities Fall 2022
 - d. Working group 3: Identify the taxa, communities and ecosystems, and regions that are most at risk and in need of conservation action. Email those who respond to survey from working group 2? Start activities Spring 2023
 - e. Working group 4: What science policy initiatives should we be working on? Start activities pending findings of WG 1 and 3
 - i. Emily Sandall talked with Erin and will participate in this working group
 - f. Working group 5: Write infographics and white papers on insect decline globally
Webinar series for certification idea. Possible Annals of ESA series; Start activities pending findings of WG 1, 3, and 4
 - g. Working group 6: Plan Grand Challenges event in conjunction with ESA 2024 in Phoenix, Nov 10-13. Start activities January 2024
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