

February P-IE GC meeting minutes  
Conference Call  
February 23, 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  
Melissa Siebert, ESA Governing Board Representative  
Erin Cadwalader, ESA Liaison  
Stacie East, Membership and Diversity Program Manager  
Jacqueline Serrano, P-IE Rep to ESA Diversity and Inclusion Comm.

1. ESA Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives – Stacie East and Jacqueline Serrano
  - a. Provided an overview of current ESA D&I initiatives
    - i. E.g. Alate award for students, Working with Games and Common Names Committees
    - ii. Also partnering with minority serving institutions and organizations like MANRRS to expand research beyond land grant institutions
2. January updates – David
  - a. GC voted to approve the Communication Committee
    - i. David has submitted a request for nominations to ESA News (3/31/21)
  - b. Branch meeting slides have been prepared
  - c. Shared written report from Rob Morrison about ESA Awards committee
  - d. P-IE awards committee is led by Patrick Moran
    - i. Will select student and ECP presenters for new symposia at ESA
  - e. Early march GC members will evaluate Section Symposium proposals
3. Budget and Allocation of funds – David
  - a. Current 2021 Budget \$61,898
  - b. 2021 Section allocation for 2021 \$17,400
  - c. Section must spend \$16,000 or return some funds to ESA
  - d. GC discussed possible funding allocations
    - i. Education and Outreach (E&O)
      1. Chrysalis Fund and LessonHIVE \$1,000
    - ii. Diversity and Inclusion
      1. Support ESA initiatives financially, time, etc. but avoid separate or conflicting efforts
      2. Possibly sponsor additional awards for section members
        - a. Proposal for 5 awards totaling \$2,500
    - iii. Pollinator WIG
      1. ESA webpages \$2,500

2. Amateur videos \$2,500
  3. Spanish translation \$1,000
  4. Professional videos \$5,000
- iv. Invasive Species WIG
    1. 4 webinars, captioning videos and infographics \$5,000
- e. GC approved motion to allocate \$5,000 for Invasive species WIG and \$1,000 for E&O
  - f. GC will revisit other proposals during March meeting