

## **DCB Business Meeting (January 4, 2016)**

Melina Hale called the meeting to order at 5:45 PM.

### Chair's Report (Dr. Melina Hale)

Dr. Hale noted that the meeting is off to a great start. This year, we lost Steve Vogel. The effect of Steve is felt well beyond our scientific community. Our poster award is named after Steve. Dr. Hale also described the changes in our BSP awards. We are collecting extended abstracts and then the finalists present during a special session.

There was a brief discussion on NSF's request to think about a workshop on how to best archive data including what metadata would be necessary. The community should consider what standards there are for biomechanical data.

We are looking for someone to be responsible for the digital resources that fall under our division. Please take a look at our digital resource collection and consider what could be added.

SICB is considering starting a new open access journal, ICB Open. It would have a separate editor from ICB. There was moderate positive interest. Some questions that were asked were if other societies have open access journals, and could the society support the fees.

Thanks to Joe Thompson for serving as PO and Andie Ward for serving as Secretary. Also thanks to John Long, Stacey Coombs, and Rachel Merz for serving on the committee for the Gans Award.

### Program Officer's Report (Dr. Joe Thompson)

DCB has strong representation at this meeting. There were approximately 400 abstracts that were shared between DCB and DVM. We had 35 oral sessions and 6 poster groupings. All total, DCB/DVM accounted for about 25% of all abstracts. Please consider submitting for symposia, we have a decrease for the 2017 meeting.

### Secretary's Report (Dr. Andrea Ward)

We are always looking for members who would like to be involved (either as officers, or on nominating or awards committees). Please let one of the officers know if you are interested in participating. If you would like to have anything advertised, please send the announcements to [secretary.dcb@sicb.org](mailto:secretary.dcb@sicb.org). I will add them to the monthly member update. Finally, please suggest that students apply for the best student presentation awards. The guidelines are on the website.

### Executive Committee Update

Marty Martin is the new ICB editor. This has been a big year for development. There has been approximately \$200,000 spent on student support. Please check out educational materials (<http://www.sicb.org/rer/>). There was a question from the floor about why support a new journal. The committee responded that they hoped it would help galvanize our brand as a society, internationalize the society, and possibly have a positive revenue flow.

### New Business

There was a reminder that the Gans Award can be for junior faculty or for a foundational new paper (or book). We will revisit the guidelines.