2025-01-05 DCE business meeting

1. A presentation was given regarding
    a. Thaning for officers rotating out and upcoming elections
        i. We will have elections for 3 positions this spring
        ii. Sam Lane will be the student/postdoc rep for DCE
    b. Approval of minutes – approved
    c. Amphibian Endocrinology Index – contact Dr. David Norris for files if you're interested
    d. Message from NSF program director about priorities, the NSF booth
    e. Drink tickets and photo repository – please send them to secretary.dce@sicb.org
    f. Students/postdoc events at SICB
    g. Arbor assays has made a $5000 donation to support the Bern lecture and would like to brainstorm a training network project
        i. They can support students/postdoc/faculty to connect assay expertise with research needs through mentorship opportunities
        ii. Arbor assay is interested in hearing about our needs (new kits to be developed, expertise needed)
        iii. They are also thinking about having a training kit in the future.
2. Elections
    a. We are aligning the tasks of DCE officers with tasks of officers in other divisions (now the chair recruits judges for BSP talk and poster competitions, and the secretary sends a reminder about judges' responsibilities a week before the meeting and tallies up judges' scores after the competition)
    b. Candidates
        i. Morgan and Creagh for program officer
        ii. Maren for secretary
        iii. Deb Lutterschmidt for secretary?
3. SICB strategic plan
    a. Bold step 1: Career support and mentorship
        i. Currently we give support to students but not much to postdocs.
    b. Bold step 2: Building a scientific culture of belonging for all
    c. Bold step 3: Financial sustainability
        i. There is now 100% transparency in where the dollars go – the information is available to everyone
        ii. The goal is for 15% of budget to come from fundraising
    d. Bold step 4: Membership growth and engagement

    e. These steps are not intended to be a priority order or implemented in an order
4. Further discussion on Future of Physiology
    a. BSP
        i. We need to think about award names – options were heard about whether we should keep the award names
        ii. DCPB doesn't have a named BSP competition
5. ICB and IOB are not the same journal. We encourage everyone to submit to IOB. Right now, the society is supporting IOB and in the future, we hope the IOB will support SICB; IOB is a non-profit organization, and it strives to make the reviewing process as pleasant as possible.