SICB 2024 DCE member meeting

January 4, 2024

- 1. From NSF officer
 - a. NSF has a booth so we can stop by and ask any questions.
 - b. Please keep up with latest announcements through newsletters
 - c. Dear Colleague Letter: Neurobiology in Changing Ecosystems (NiCE), put NiCE in the title of the proposal
 - d. Biosynthesis centers for understanding organismal resilience to synthesize existing data
 - e. Priorities of NSF
 - i. Resilient planet
 - ii. Building bioeconomy
 - iii. Integrating across biological sciences
 - f. For students, there are GRFP, REU programs
 - g. Directorate for Technology, Innovation and Partnerships (TIP)
 - h. RUI and ROA for predominantly undergraduate institutions
 - i. ORCC (organismal response to climate change)
- 2. SICB executive committee
 - a. In the next 5 years, SICB will be engaging in a strategic planning
 - i. Each division will be asked to come up with 2 to 4 goals and submit to the society by June, 2024
- 3. A new book "General and comparative endocrinology: An integrative approach" by Alex Schreiber
- 4. Introduction of DCE officers
- 5. Discussion
 - a. Do we want to continue our membership in the International Federation of Comparative Endocrinology Societies?
 - i. Taxonomic divide among societies
 - ii. What are the benefits of having affiliation with the IFCES
 - 1. The chair of DCE is invited to be on a planning committee on IFCES
 - 2. Discount on registration at international meetings
 - 3. Motion to vote to remove the affiliation with the IFCES (1st vote)
 - iii. We need to change bylaw because membership fee has been changed (2nd vote)
- 6. Last year's minutes are approved