

DEDB Business Meeting, January 4th 2018, 5:45 pm
San Francisco, CA

Announcement from DEDB president Cassandra Extavour:

1. She is now the outgoing President.
2. Introduction of current officers. Yui Suzuki is Program Officer. Julia Bowsher is Secretary. Amaneet Locab new student/postdoc rep. David Plachetzki is now editor for SICB journal. We have a secretary-elect, Prashant Sharma, and Program Officer-elect Matt Rockman.
3. ICB Journal update: The new open access journal is coming online. Adam Summers is the editor. "Integrative Organismal Biology" is the title. Soft launch 2018 formal launch is SICB 2019 in Tampa. They are looking for Associate Editors. What about Fees? The fees are going to the society, but there is no number for that yet. Billie Swalla says: \$1,500-2,000 with discounts for students and reviewers and possibly society members. David: there was another open access journal that tried to start at Society for Study of Evolution, but flopped. Should see what happened with that as a cautionary tale.
4. David Plachetzki is the new evo-devo editor for the regular journal.
5. Creagh Breuner is running a new ad hoc committee to address challenges of scientists with young children. If you want to get involved, contact her.
6. New code of conduct focusing on harassment. This code of conduct must be accepted before you can register for the meeting. There is contact information for people who wish to report an incidence. The executive committee will determine what is the appropriate course of action. There is the possibility of reporting to law enforcement or the perpetrators host institution, if appropriate.

Announcements from the SICB executive officers:

1. Introduction of officers.
2. Upcoming meetings: Tampa 2019, Austin 2020, Washington DC 2021, Phenix 2022, Austin 2023.
3. The website will be revised next year.
4. They are going to promote the submission of symposium applications by giving incentives to submit. There will be more financial support.
5. Adam Summers: We have not yet settled on a name for the new open access journal. They are looking for ideas. They are also looking for Associate Editors. They are looking for outreach associates who will promote with social media. Outreach Associates can be younger SICB members. He will be soliciting inaugural articles. Billie: What will it cost? \$1,200 is the start and will increase to \$1,900 eventually (for members). Non-members will be charged 30% more.

(cont.) Announcement from DEDB president Cassandra Extavour:

1. The harassment policy is meant to protect people who are not in positions of power. If you see something, say something. Consent and perception are hard to judge with someone you don't know very well. Billie: After last year, they did follow up with people who said or did offensive at the last meeting. The organization is serious about this.

NSF Update from Diane Okamuro:

1. She does Plant molecular genetics and now service as the IOS program advisors.
2. NSF does not have a final budget yet, like the rest of the budget. POs are waiting to make awards. Please be patient.
3. Support for SICB symposia is very competitive. They want to support non-redundant symposia that are forward-looking and include a diverse slate of speakers (women and underrepresented minorities). Always a good idea to contact the program officer before you submit a symposium proposal to make sure it fits these requirements.
4. All existing awards can get supplements. Please submit supplements WITH the initial grant. All IOS supplements must be submitted by March. Post-tenure, pre-retirement faculty are encouraged to apply for enhancement supplements.
5. IOS is no longer accepting pre-proposals. There will be a no deadline full proposal system. The solicitation will go out this summer. You cannot submit until the solicitation goes out. Cassandra: will there be a limit on number of proposals per investigator? They are discussing it. It is hard for NSF to have co-reviewing with different deadlines. No deadline will help the cross-program interdisciplinary proposals.
6. EDGE proposal deadline is coming up Feb 1st (solicitation #18-506).
7. "NSF 10 big ideas" has been used to prioritize. Rules of Life is the focus. The dear colleague letter was just released. EAGER, collaborative, and conference funding is available.
8. All cross-cutting programs (CAREER, REU, etc) still have deadlines. Postdoc proposals are funded at 30% the competitive areas are Broadening Participation (work that promotes URG), and Biological Collections. The focus is early-career postdocs.
9. Data Management Plans: there is guidance available for the broader impacts. Check the BIO website.
10. Thanks to SICB for their efforts to broaden participation. The BP Social is Sat 7pm at Thirsty Bear.
11. Thanks for the panelists and reviewers.
12. Question: What does "forward thinking" mean for symposia? Anything below \$50K gets an internal review. If there is a deficiency, the PO will let you know. \$50K-\$100K gets an external review. RCNs are another good way to get funding. They can have an international component.
13. NSF workshop is noon-1:30pm Friday Jan 5th in Golden Gate C3

Update from DEDB Program Officer Yui Suzuki:

1. Report of competition winners from last year (Adam Johnson, and Amber Rock).
2. The Best Student Oral Presentation session is tomorrow at 1:30-3:30pm
3. He is willing to provide feedback on potential symposia. He can share successful proposals. He also really encourages people to submit symposia. And follow the proposal instructions. Any suggestions for how to improve the proposal submission process? Could they share the successful proposals online? He will look into it. Is there a format? Yes, there is a list of questions and it is straight forward. End of August is the deadline.
4. The DEDB social is Sat 6:30-8:30 at the Thirsty Bear.
5. Gunter Wager is organizing a workshop on the origin of cell types, which is at the same time as the DEDB social.

Update from DEDB Secretary Julia Bowsher:

1. Thanks to people who are judging. I have extra hard copy forms.

Update from Graduate student/Postdoc Representative Amaneet Locab:

1. 18 faculty took out 34 students (undergrad and grad) this year.
2. Any suggestions for making the process better are welcome.
3. There is currently no postdoc involvement and we are open to suggestions on how to incorporate postdocs.
4. Student feedback says they really like the program. We would like more faculty involvement to help support all the interested students.

In March, we will have elections for a new Chair-Elect. We are looking for nominations!