

Tuesday, June 16, 2009 DBIO/SLA Business Meeting

Walter Washington Conference Center, Washington DC. 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Meeting Chair: **Jean Crampon**

Attendees included division members, sponsors, and guests. Attendance was well over 100. **Jean Crampon** called the meeting to order and introduced the DBIO Board.

❖ Minutes:

- **Barry Brown** called for approval of last year's DBIO Business Meeting Minutes (June 17, 2008; copies were on tables).
- A motion for approval was made by **Irene Laursen**
- Seconded by **Tara Cataldo**
- **Minutes were approved without any changes.**

❖ Finances:

- Jonathan Nabe presented the DBIO treasurer's mid-year report and asked if there were any questions and thanked our vendor sponsors.

❖ Announcements.

members.

- **Tony Stankus** recommends approving up to \$1,000 per year for the website maintenance and design.
- **Diane Schmidt** seconded the motion.
- There was some discussion about putting out a new call for a division volunteer webmaster who does web work regularly for their job.
- **Tony Stankus** stated that the web site represents us and looks good and we should continue supporting it.
- **The Board voted and passed the motion.**

❖ **Medical Section Funding Request:**

- Should we fund the medical section chair to attend the midwinter leadership?
- **Jean Crampon** wondered if the medical section gets funds from SLA.
- The answer is no it does not cost to join a section but it does cost to join a caucus. We currently fund the DBIO Chair, Chair Elect, and Program Chair for the annual and midwinter meetings.
- **John Tebo** motioned to table this and talk to the section chairs about this.
- **Jonathan Nabe** seconded the motion.
- The board passed this motion.
- **Jean** assigned **Nancy Dickenson** to check with former chairs.

❖ **Should DBIO have a *Facebook* presence?**

- Some SLA sections have a presence. Their presence typically reiterates stuff on the listserv and web site. More places to have a presence is good.
- **Dean Walton** setup a facebook picture for ERMD and stated that it is a good way to see images of members and refamiliarize yourself.
- **Jean** asked for volunteers to setup.
- **Gillian Kumagai** and **Nancy Dickenson** volunteered.

❖ **Abolishing term limits for some positions limits:**

- Some DBIO positions, e.g. the Webmaster, Biofeedback editor, etc. could continue indefinitely.
- We would need a change in Recommended Practices.
- **The board concluded that we should continue asking for volunteers on a regular basis.**

- There were no announcements.

❖ **Old Business:**

- **Nancy Dickenson**, the program chair for this year's conference was acknowledged and thanked.
- Everyone was urged to read the DBIO strategic plan and to participate in implementing it.
- Everyone was invited to next year's conference in New Orleans and the DBIO 75th Anniversary celebration.

❖ **New Business:**

- **Jean Crampon** gave a brief update on DBIO and encouraged everyone to volunteer for committee positions.
- She mentioned that SLA has been doing an assessment of divisions and that DBIO is doing well and that our website was singled out as easy to use.
- Jean recognized **Tony Stankus** as a recipient of the 2009 "SLA Fellow" designation for his many accomplishments including his work on the DBIO blog and the Top 100 Journals Poll.
- She also read a letter from Tony's congressman congratulating SLA and commending Tony on his award.

❖ **DBIO Top 100 Journals and Publisher Awards Ceremony:**

- In an Academy Awards like ceremony the Top 100 Journals in Biology and Medicine were recognized, and then later the top 10 Journals, and the Journal of the Centennial, and the publishers with the most number of top journals were all recognized
[<http://units.sla.org/division/dbio/publications/resources/dbio100.htm>].

❖ **DBIO Awards:**

- **Jean Crampon** presented the Student Travel Stipend to **Abigail Baker**.
- She presented Chair's Awards, for service to the division, to **Nancy Dickenson** and to **Tony Stankus**.
- She presented the Distinguished Member Award, for demonstrated distinction and exemplary service to the division and the profession, to **Peggy Jones**.

❖ **Acknowledgement:**

- Diane Schmidt, DBIO Chair Elect, thanked Jean Crampon for her service as DBIO Chair and presented her with a gift. The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes Respectively Submitted by Barry Brown, June 2010

August 28, 2009 SLA/DBIO Executive Board, Telephone Conference Call

Summary Notes

Meeting Chair: **Jean Crampon**

Members Present: Barry Brown; Jean Crampon; Jonathan Nabe; Diane Schmidt; John Tebo; David Duggar

❖ **Discussion & Brainstorming 75th DBIO Anniversary Celebration. Location?**

- The Aquarium. Hard to get when we want it.
- Other conference events likely to be held there, which may diminish the specialness or uniqueness of this venue for the 75th DBIO celebration
- Possible "behind the scenes" tour of the aquarium, but we don't know that they offer this and the tour might be an option for the tour day.
- Room in a conference hotel? (General consensus of No to this option).
- One of Emeril's restaurants or another known restaurant in New Orleans. Note: Need space for at least 100 people.