

Minutes of the ISCE Business Meeting, Budapest 2018

Friday August 17, 2018

Chair: Anne-Geneviève Bagnères, president ISCE

Agenda

1. Opening

2. Results of elections and award nominations

Vice-president: Junwei (Jerry) Zhu

Councilors: Anna Jirošová, Anat Zada-Byers, Christopher Keeling,
Zainulabeuddin Syed

Silvestein-Simeone 2019 Award – Monika Hilker (Freie Universität Berlin,
Germany)

ISCE Silver 2019 Medal – Valerie J. Paul (Smithsonian Marine Station at Fort
Pierce, Florida, USA)

Early Career 2018 Award – Martin N. Andersson (Lund University, Sweden)

3. Student presentation awards

The committee was chaired by Coby Schal and consisted of councilors present at the meeting. The committee decided to give four awards for posters (Lea Böttinger, Audrey Duhin, Paulina Kowalski, and Kristina Melnik) and two awards for oral presentations (Corinne Hertaeg and Victoria Moris). Björn Bohman won the Syntech Golden Probe Award.

4. Information on 2019 meeting (Mark Hay)

The 35th Annual Meeting will be hosted by Mark Hay and Julia Kubanek (Georgia Institute of Technology). It will be organized by the Georgia Institute of Technology's School of Biological Sciences and Aquatic Chemical Ecology Center. The meeting website has been created already:

<http://isce2019.biosci.gatech.edu/> . Dates: 2-7 June, 2019.

Schedule:

June 2 - Check in and reception

June 3, 4 & 6 full day conference

June 5 - 1/2 day with free afternoon for exploring

June 6 - banquet at the Atlanta Botanical Garden (18-22h)

The meeting location will be Georgia Tech Hotel and Conference Center. There are more housing options in the vicinity and a cheaper option at GA Tech Dormitories, located on the GT campus. GA Tech Hotel: \$ 169 per single/double per night (120 rooms guaranteed), nearby hotels (3-15 min walk): \$ 163-250/night. GA Tech dormitories: \$ 30-54/per single per night (depending on room and services). The registration fee will be around \$ 650, including lunches with varia depending of membership or not, student position, developing country members, etc.. The organizers are working on a registration fee schedule for students. Banquet at the ATL Botanical Gardens ~\$ 100 (use of the gardens, transport to and from the hotel, banquet for 260 people).

5. Future meetings

2020 Cape Town, South Africa

2021 Malaysia (joint meeting ISCE+APACE)

2022 Bangalore, India

6. Report on the Journal of Chemical Ecology (Gary W. Felton, Editor-in-Chief)

Changes in the Editorial Board: Nicole van Dam became an additional Associate Editor, Benjamin Moore joined the Editorial Board. Jerrold Meinwald passed away and William Foley retired. New Editorial Board members will be sought and appointed. Two special issues will be published in 2018: "Pheromone-mediation of female reproduction and reproductive dominance" – September 2018 and an issue devoted to Thomas Hartmann - late winter. In 2018 the journal was affiliated with ALAEQ (Latin American Association of Chemical Ecology). Springer introduced plagiarism check of manuscripts. The main editor's goals are adding additional editor(s) for greater diversity, publishing special issues (1-2 per year, ideas? guest editors?), to broaden reviewer base, to shorten decision time, and to raise the impact factor.

7. Election of the new treasurer

Jeremy Allison completed his term as treasurer, and the society identified a candidate for treasurer, Dr. Kerry Mauck. Kerry is Assistant Professor of Vector Biology at the University of California, Riverside. She is the 2017 ISCE

Early Career Award winner. The ISCE Executive Committee supported the nomination of Kerry Mauck unanimously at the meeting on August 12, 2018. The ISCE members present at the business meeting unanimously elected Dr. Mauck the ISCE treasurer.

8. Treasurer's report 2017 (Jeremy Allison)

The assets of the society moderately grew. The 2017 meeting had a surplus and returned to the society \$ 15,675. Delwart delayed their support more than one year (Ted Turlings will remind them). J. Allison suggested that spending should remain at approximately 4% of portfolio which makes roughly USD 30,000 (12,000 student travel awards, 15,000 for speakers + up to 3,000 for possible extra expenses). The spending should be discussed and evaluated every year in terms of its sustainability.

The society paid the student travel awards (12 students), student poster and presentation awards (6 students), and invited speakers of the 2017 meeting. We paid the webmaster fees to maintain the website. We reimbursed the Silver Medal, Silverstein-Simeone and Early Career Award winners for their travel expenses. The report was audited and endorsed by Sandra Steiger and Johannes Stökl. At the business meeting, the report was unanimously approved by the present members.

9. Travel awards

Twelve winners of travel awards were announced: Eberl Franziska, Germany; Olaide Yewande Olabimpe, Kenya/South Africa; Njihia Teresiah, Kenya; Serrano Jaqueline Marie, USA; Weinstein Alyssa, Australia; Hettiarachchi Dilani, New Zealand; Kandasamy Dineshkumar, Germany; Melnik Kristina, Germany; Okosun Olabimpe Olayemi, South Africa; Menke Markus, Germany; Mieles Alejandro, USA; Mujiono Kadis, Japan. Since A. Mieles couldn't come due to a visa problem, only 11 students were presented certificates. All student winners were present in person at the business meeting.

10. Information on Budapest meeting (Miklós Tóth)

There are 376 participants (20 % students) registered from 43 countries. 341 abstracts were submitted, the proportion of posters/oral presentations

is roughly 50:50. Twenty five speakers received waiver of the registration fee. One third of registration expenses were covered by ISCE and the sponsors. The program consisted of 15 symposia organized by ISCE members.

11. Obituary of Jerry Meinwald and Lincoln Brower

Memories of Jerry Meinwald and Lincoln Brower were given by Miklós Tóth (presented video made by Walter Leal) and Coby Schal.

Minutes approved

Irena Valterová
Secretary

Anne-Geneviève Bagnères
President

Coby Schal
Vice-President