

November 20, 2017 5:15pm

Entomology Graduate Student Association

*Approve October 2017 minutes – Approved 5:15pm

Officer Reports***President*** – Chrissy Dodge

- Congratulations to Jackie Serrano, Austin Baker, and Kelsey Schall for their winning presentations at Entomology 2017!
- Changes to EGSA account at Altura: current signers are myself, Josh Wemmer, and Austin Baker. Note that to update officers, Altura now requires that the meeting minutes explicitly state the name and number of the account being modified.
- Salvation Army toy drive – need volunteers for gift buying, wrapping, delivering.

Vice President – Josh Wemmer***Treasurer*** – Austin Baker

Balance Oct 6, 2017: \$8,740.89

- Est. income from plant sale: \$77.81 (credit) + ? (cash)
- Est. income from ESA: \$274.33 (credit) + \$180 (cash)
- Expenses for ordering shirts (budget=\$3,000): \$1,349.18 (bank) + \$295.10 (paypal) = \$1,644.28

Balance Nov 20, 2017: \$7,936.30

- Cash on hand: \$1,028.88
- Bank: \$6,711.33
- Paypal: \$0.00
- FAU: \$196.09

Minister of Truth – Laura Leger**EGSA Representatives*****GSA Representative*** – Kaleigh Fisher

- Unofficial transcripts now available on Banner
- R'pantry: Wednesdays, 4-6, are grad student only hours in Costo Hall 110
- SB201 passed, UAW presentation?
- GSA is no longer in USCA, people need to vote in the Spring in order to join new organization (UCGPC)
- CARE (Campus Advocacy, Resources, and Education) is looking for peer educators – contact gsadial@ucr.edu

ISAC Representative – Kaleigh Russell

- Goal for 2017-2018: Update the core ENTM 200 series.

Seminar & Special Lectures – Jake Cecala & Tessa Shates

Remaining seminars for Fall Quarter:

- Nov 27 – Berry Brosi (Emory University)
- Dec 04 – Marco Metzger (California Dept. of Public Health)

The ENTM 250 seminar series will resume Jan 08.

Displays, Exhibits, & Outreach – Nancy Power

- Developed a series of four lessons for elementary school children for outreach use
- Ryan Perry also developed series of high school level lesson on insect diversity
- Potential workshop in short-form creative writing about entomology, research?

Website & Newsletter – Deena Husein***Entomology Research Museum*** – Krissy Dominguez

- The Entomology Research Museum staff will be offering a full day free workshop on insect mounting and labeling techniques. The workshop will be held at the Entomology Research Museum on Thursday, 30 November 2017. In the morning (9:00 AM to 11:30 AM), we will provide advice and hands-on experience in specimen preparation (including critical point drying/HMDS from ethanol, pinning, spreading, and point mounting) of different groups of insects, and labeling. We encourage you to bring with you any prepared voucher specimens that you would like to deposit in the ERM collection. In the afternoon (1:00 PM to 4:00 PM), Serguei Triapitsyn and Vladimir Berezovskiy, Principal Museum Preparator Emeritus, will show how to prepare high quality microscopic slides in Canada balsam. This part of the workshop is optional and restricted to at most 4-5 participants due to space limitations, so please let us know beforehand if you would like to attend.
- Please submit your voucher specimens used in publications to the Museum. Contact Doug Yanega for help or with questions.

TA Union Representative – Ben DeMasi-Sumner

- SB 201 – GSRs now legally allowed to unionize

EGSA Committees

Merchandise Committee – Austin Baker (chair), Paul Masonick, Krissy Dominguez, Kaleigh Fisher, Carlos Rosas Sanchez, Josh Wemmer

- The winner of the 2017 T-shirt design contest is “Ironic Bee Love” by Jackie Serrano. Congratulations Jackie (and Ben)!
- New merchandise (shirts and mugs) was ordered on November 17th and some items are projected to arrive in time for the Craft Fair.

- Thanks to all who volunteered at the merch booth at ESA and especially Tessa and Kaleigh for transporting goods to/from Denver!
- We need volunteers to help out at the merch booth during the Craft Fair. Please sign up today!
- Reminder: when selling merchandise, please fill out date, shirt design, size, seller, payment method, and total cost on receipts. This info helps me a lot when I'm trying to figure out how much \$ we made. Thanks!

Fundraising & Events Committee – Kelsey Schall and Kaleigh Russell (co-chairs), Tessa Shates, Erica Sarro, Kaleigh Fisher, Mari West, Gabby Martinez, Xinmi Zhang, Laura Leger

- Craft fair updates and call for volunteers

Social Committee – Deena Husein and Mari West (co-chairs), Paul Masonick, Luke Kresslein, Rachel Norris, Josh Wemmer

- We will be hosting the 6th Annual Chili and Pie Cook-off on Dec 8th from 4-6PM.
- EGSA will supply the beverages and accoutrements (toppings) for the chili and pie.
- A sign-up link will be available in the upcoming week for those who wish to compete, though walk-ins are welcomed!
- Votes will be cast for each category and prizes awarded!

Exam Committee – Ben DeMasi-Sumner (chair)

- Shhh. Provide materials.

Hospitality Committee – Jackie Serrano (chair), Ben DeMasi-Sumner

Technology & Social Media Committee – Paul Masonick and Sam Smith (co-chairs), Krissy Dominguez, Ryan Perry, Rob Straser

- I want to highlight our awesome hardworking graduate students! Please send me (Krissy, cdomi009@ucr.edu) amazing photos of you in action in the lab, field, etc. with a short description of your research!
- Write a blog post for our EGSA blog (<http://ucr-egsa.weebly.com/>) and receive 1hr of outreach! Great way to highlight your research or other entomology interest, and looks good on a CV.

Meeting adjourned: 5:50pm