

May 11th 2015, 5:15 PM**Entomology Graduate Student Association**

*Approve April 2015 minutes
14 approved April minutes

Officer Reports:**President** – Amelia Lindsey

- Thanks to everyone who voted on the Outstanding Faculty and Staff Awards – plaques have been ordered they will be presented at the Spring Social. We are looking for a way to recognize all the nominees – open to suggestions, thinking of printing certificates.
- Constitution and Bylaws Committee drafted a new Constitution and Bylaws, which includes two revisions. The committee will discuss the details of the revisions during the “annual committees” section. The revisions include:
 - o Update to how donations are handled
 - o Clarification regarding the re-election of interim officers
- Budget Committee drafted a budget proposal for the 2015-2016 year. The committee will discuss the details of the budget during the “annual committees” section.
- Thanks to those who submitted presidential nominations. The candidates are Chrissy Dodge and Sarah O’Neill.
- Voting on the proposed revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws, 2015-2016 Budget Proposal, and the 2015-2016 President will take place on Highlander Link May 12th – 15th.

Vice President – Austin Baker**Treasurer** – Levi Zahn

Income:

\$2,284.98 (Insect Fair)
\$1,941.11 (Merch)
TOTAL: \$4,226.09

Expenses:

\$57.47 (Pizza)
\$1.00 (Maintenance Fee)
\$3,896.87 (Insect Fair [Fundraising Committee])
\$111.69 (Merch)
\$82.42 (Discretionary: Award plaques)
TOTAL: \$4,149.45

Current Balances:

Cash: \$2,738.93
Bank: \$3,003.57
TOTAL: \$ 5,742.50

\$546.22 is being transferred from PayPal into our account. These funds are from donations, refunds, and discounts received for various items purchased. As such, what is reported is not necessarily what is in our account. Additionally a few odds and ends are trickling in which also unbalances the accounts.

Thank you Levi for doing a great job as Treasurer this year

Minister of Truth – James Nick DeCarlo

EGSA Representatives:

GSA Representatives – Chrissy Dodge & Kristin Cole

- New GSHIP plan under AIG (Basically the same plan)
- Grad Bash is Thurs. May 14

ISAC Representative – Chris Shogren

- Let Chris know if you have anything you want brought to ISAC's attention.

Seminar Representatives – Debbie De La Riva and Sarah O'Neill

- Would like more 1st years to go to Monday lunches with the speaker
- Regular seminars for the rest of the term

Committees:

1) Fundraising Committee – Debbie De La Riva (Chair), Erich Shoeller, James Ricci, Allison Bistline-East:

Thank you all who volunteered to make the Insect fair a success

- Update on Insect Fair turnout: Official estimate 6700 people in attendance, 2nd largest insect fair in California
- Send photos from fair to James Ricci at jricc001@ucr.edu
- Will send out a google doc to EGSA requesting suggestions for improving next year
- This coming fall will be our last Craft Fair, Dr. Visscher is retiring and we will be unable to get honey. Working on a plan to find a new source of bee hives
- Other fundraising ideas welcomed
- Looking to **train someone** who will take over as chair in a year

Thank you James and Debbie for organizing the insect fair

2) Exam Committee – Ryan Perry (Chair):

- Please provide copies of your written exams so the binder can be updated

3) Merchandise Committee – James Ricci (Chair), Austin Baker, Paul Masonick, Jessica Sully:

EGSA Merch 2014-2015

- **Sales**
 - o Hidden Valley Nature Center Bug and Reptile Day 2014: \$75
 - o Pomona Insect Fair 2014: \$90
 - o Fall Plant Sale 2014: \$170
 - o Office Sales Fall 2014: \$55
 - o ESA 2014, 11/16-11/19: \$1005 (2013: \$250)
 - o Craft Fair 2014, 12/4: \$1002 (2013: \$212)
 - o San Bernardino Insectival 2015: Cancelled
 - o Urban Pest Management Conference 2015: \$300 (2014: \$469)
 - o First Annual Riverside Insect Fair: \$1952 (Goal was \$150) *###Includes \$245 from Entomophagy*
 - o Zazzle: \$24.10 *###Not yet in account.*
 - **2014-2015 Total To-Date: \$4673.10 (Goal: \$2100)**
- **Expenses: \$2900.66** *###This includes \$80 given to Adena for her frames.*
- **Upcoming Event:**
 - o Requesting the Outreach coordinator to send more emails on outreach events
 - o LA NHM Bug Fair: Saturday, 5/16 & Sunday, 5/17
 - Most big sellers will be low or out of stock
 - Largest insect fair in the world!
 - THOUSANDS of people, lots of spending!
 - Our largest selling event of the 2013-2014 academic year!
 - 2015 Goal: \$1000 (gross), 2014: \$658
- **For next year's budget:** Asking for EGSA Merchandise funds to be available July 1 instead of October 1, so that new merchandise can be available for September and October events.
- This will be included in the next year's budget vote on May 12

4) Hospitality Committee – Sarah O'Neill (Chair), Ben DeMasi-Sumner, Cole Symanski:

5) Social Committee – Levi Zahn (Chair), Amelia Lindsey, Judith Herreid, Paul Masonick, James (Nick) DeCarlo, Ben DeMasi-Sumner:

- The spring social is planned for **Friday May 29**, in the entomology courtyard/large conference room from 4:30-6:30
- There will be ice cream and toppings in addition to the normal paraphernalia
- Amelia will present the Outstanding Faculty & Staff Awards
- Please no pretzels in the ice cream

6) Technology Committee – Eric Gordon (Chair), Ryan Perry, James Nick DeCarlo, James Ricci:

- EGSA blog tentatively expanded to include undergraduate students as well. Dr. Heraty has a class where he wants at least some students to write blog posts – it would be good for both the blog to get more posts, and the undergraduate students.
- Title will be changed temporarily
- Need people to write blogs
- Will put out a piece for the insect fair

Annual Committees:

1) Budget Committee – (Levi Zahn (chair), Judith Herreid, James Ricci, Deborah De La Riva)

- See attached

2) Constitution and Bylaws Committee – (Levi Zahn, Judith Herreid, James (Nick) DeCarlo, Kristin Cole, Ben DeMasi-Sumner)

- See attached

New Business:

- Last meeting of the year: **June 8th, 2015**
- Deborah De La Riva, Union updates:
 - o SRC: language in the works for opt-out for students in absensia, disability, financial need. Next meeting with Sandoval will also involve language about scholarship/return to aid option. Will be involved in referendum reform process.
 - o Surviving Summer social: idea to coordinate with Grad Success to give students info on other forms of income during the summer months as well as other issues.
 - o Elections committee: looking to find an alternate for setting up polls during elections. Minimal commitment as there will be on average only 1 per quarter. (not sure if position is paid)
 - o Email Debbie if you have questions

14 votes in Favor to end the meeting

2012-2013		2013-2014		2014-2015 (To Date)		2015-2016	
Expenses		Expenses		Expenses		Expenses	
Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	
Social: \$1200 \$1064.21 Merchandise: \$1400 \$676.75 Craft Fair: \$1500 \$846.80 EGSA Meetings: \$700 \$668.48 Camping: \$350 \$388.48 Discretionary: \$150 \$59.80 Bank Fees \$12 WIS \$182.11		Social: \$1200 \$464.15 Merchandise: \$1000 \$1022.33 Craft Fair: \$1000 \$844.40 EGSA Meetings: \$700 \$569.64 Camping: \$350 \$174.00 Discretionary: \$150 \$87.51 Bank Fees \$12.00		Social: \$1000 \$548.72 Merchandise: \$3000 \$2932.35 Fundraising: \$1500 \$5832.95 Hospitality: \$250 \$250.00 EGSA Meetings: \$500 \$357.00 Camping: \$250 \$294.00 Discretionary: \$100 \$82.42 Bank Fees		Social: \$1000 Merchandise: \$2000 Fundraising: \$2350 Hospitality: \$250 EGSA Meetings: \$500 Camping: \$300 Discretionary: \$100 Bank Fees	
Total Expenses: \$5300 \$3956.88		Total Expenses: \$4400 \$3169.03		Total Expenses: \$5000 \$10,297.44		Total Expenses: \$6500	
Income		Income		Income		Income	
Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	Actual	Projected	
Craft Fair: \$3200 \$2453.66 Merchandise: \$1400 \$1335.00 GSA Reimbursement: \$300 \$300		Craft Fair: \$3000 \$2079.65 Merchandise: \$1200 \$1032.36 GSA Reimbursement: \$300 \$300		Fundraising: \$2600 \$5289.98 Merchandise: \$2100 \$4769.11 GSA Reimbursement: \$500 \$0.00		Fundraising: \$3000 Merchandise: \$3000 GSA Reimbursement: \$500	
Total Income: \$5300 \$4088.66		Total Income: \$4500 \$3412.01		Total Income: \$5000 \$10,058.09		Total Income: \$6500	

Amendments:

Article IV, Section 9

Section 9. Replacement of Officers

In the event that the office of President becomes vacant, the Vice President shall serve as interim President. A special election to replace the President by electronic vote according to the guidelines in Article V, Section 1, shall be held within one month.

In the event that the office of Vice President, Treasurer, or Minister of Truth becomes vacant, the President shall appoint an interim officer. A special election to fill the open office by hand vote according to the guidelines in Article V, Section 1, shall be held at the next meeting of the EGSA.

In the event that an interim officer is appointed to one of the preceding positions during the middle of a term, he/she is eligible to run for the same position during the following term.

Voting will be conducted in a normal fashion as outlined in Article V, Section 1.

Article IX, Section 5

Section 5. Expenditures

- a. Any expenditure that falls within the approved budget shall be reimbursed by the Treasurer without requiring additional approval.
- b. Expenditures greater than \$400 not allocated in the budget may be approved by an electronic vote of the membership as outlined in Article V, Section 1.
- c. Expenditures of \$400 or less not allocated in the budget may be approved by a hand vote at an EGSA meeting as outlined in Article V, Section 1.
- d. Emergency expenditures of \$400 or less not allocated in the budget may be approved by the Treasurer, subject to review at the next EGSA meeting.
- e. In the event money is donated for a specific event (e.g. Insect fair, Craft Fair, ect) all funds, up to the amount donated, can be spent on that specific event without need for voting as outlined in Article IX, Section 5, Paragraph a.

Attendance:

#	Name
1	Nick DeCarlo
2	Ben DeMasi-Sumner
3	Kristin Cole
4	Jessica Sully
5	Chrissy Dodge
6	Deborah De la Riva
7	Judith Herreid
8	Eric Gordon
9	James Ricci
10	Levi Zahn
11	Amelia Lindsey
12	Alex Knyshev
13	Colin Umeda
14	Austin Baker