

## International Society for Biocuration (ISB) Executive Committee Meeting minutes

Date: 15 Mar 2018

Attendees: Sylvain, Suzi, Sandra, Nicole, Ceci, Andrew, Pete

Regrets: Rama

1. **Paper** - Revisions were submitted on March 7th. Working group: Pete, Suzi, Sylvain and Moni
2. **Biocuration 2018 - Conference committee:** Ceci, Nicole, Zhang (Chair)  
Report:
  - a. There are known issues with folks having difficulty paying registration fees.
  - b. Price will be the same on site if you registered with the early bird rate, will update website to inform folks about issues with payment
  - c. Guidelines to paying on site - they expect paying with a credit card on site should be okay
  - d. The agenda is now available online. Note - some fixes are still in progress, e.g., need to add ISB general meeting, fill in blank spots, and TBD.
  - e. Poster guidelines have been posted  
(<http://biocuration2018.cn/biocuration2018/poster.jsp>), still need to complete information for presentation guidelines  
(<http://biocuration2018.cn/biocuration2018/presentation.jsp>)
3. **ISB Website** - Committee: Andrew, Pete and Rama
  - a. While doing updates, some emails were sent to members for renewing, but it was solved, but one member needs to be reimbursed- in progress.
4. The next ISB Executive Committee meeting will be in person in Shanghai.
5. Surveys were sent out to the community to determine how the ISB can better serve our community. Deadline is March 21st.
  - a. Member survey: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CvhmB-sQrqLbiDM\\_WO4rkKtE02tRVBkiadARnrodGZ0/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CvhmB-sQrqLbiDM_WO4rkKtE02tRVBkiadARnrodGZ0/edit)
  - b. Non-member survey:  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScqmuJhkqQW4bbEsp-zU6sa8rgXW2Bv3vzNOL4d8TB9qaUm-w/viewform>
6. **Communications committee-** Pete, Ceci, Sandra
  - a. Newsletter in progress
7. **Training** (working group: Moni, Nicole, Pete)
  - a. Biocuration Training Materials Effort- connection with GOBLET and ELIXIR TeSS - in progress/no update
  - b. Pete will join the GOBLET Learning, Education and Training Committee
8. **Request for Information NIH data science:** <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rfi/NIH-Strategic-Plan-for-Data-Science.pdf>. The ISB plans to put together a response to this RFI and will ask for community input (an email will be sent out to the community)
9. **ISB Laboratory Exchange Fellowships**
  - a. There is a current exchange application - **Sylvain** will review