

ISGIDAR Business Meeting
June 13, 2015
Phoenix, AZ

The President (Drake Morgan) called the meeting to order at 4:12 pm.

The President thanked all the speakers for an outstanding lineup of talks.

The President thanked our sponsors and donors, including Grünenthal for their long-standing support of the organization (and the free lunch), PinneyAssociates for their support of the scientific meeting, and Suzette Evans and Richard Foltin for their support of the travel award.

The minutes of the 2014 business meeting were approved.

New Business

The Secretary (Mark Smith) noted that some members have not been receiving email communications. The email distribution list serves as the membership list, which means that our membership role is currently incomplete and out-of-date. The Secretary will start updating the membership list by adding all registrants for this year's meeting to the membership role if they are not already listed.

Action Item: The Secretary will add all registrants to this year's meeting to the membership role if they are not already listed.

The Secretary noted that the isgidar.com website is updated at regular intervals and members can check there in the months leading up to the annual meeting for information. The Secretary asked how many individuals in the past year had visited the isgidar.com website and the overwhelming majority of the members raised their hand. The Secretary thanked Ryan Lacy and Justin Strickland for maintaining the website and keeping the information updated. Applause followed.

The Treasurer (Wendy Lynch) reported that we are doing well. We had 41 paid registrants (once everyone pays), which will bring in \$4,100 in revenue. Meeting expenses were approximately \$6,500 this year. Donations from Grünenthal and PinneyAssociates covered the remaining expenses and will leave us in the black. The Treasurer noted that we should end the year with \$5,750 in bank, which represents a small increase from last year.

The Treasurer emphasized the \$100 registration covers the cost of the meeting, including breakfast, lunch, and coffee. Corporate donations allow us to waive registration costs for all in-training members. The possibility of adding a small registration fee for in-training members was mentioned but quickly dismissed because it was not needed at this time. The executive committee emphasized that waiving registration costs for in-training members is important to the organization and serves to increase attendance at the annual meeting; however, this is only possible with corporate donations. We would likely have to charge both students and postdoctoral fellows registration fees if these donations were to cease, so be sure to thank our friends at Grünenthal and PinneyAssociates for their support.

A question was asked regarding the status of the Woolverton Travel Award. The executive committee noted that Mike Weed spearheaded requests for last year's award and that the organization neither received nor explicitly solicited donations for the award in advance of this year's meeting. Kevin Freeman and James Rowlett immediately agreed to support the Woolverton Award next year. Applause followed.

A request was made to consider using Square (or a similar technology) to accept credit card payments, especially at the meeting. Many members saw value in the option of paying by credit card, and many stated they would be willing to pay the extra processing fees for a credit card payment. The executive committee agreed to look into the possibility.

The Treasurer will look into the possibility of using Square for credit card payments and report back to the executive committee.

The membership voted unanimously to approve the following individuals for membership to the organization:

Amir Abdolahi
Raj Desai
Meagan Follett
Brenda Gannon
Rebecca Hofford
Amy Johnson
Katie Marks
Dolores Vazquez Sanroman
Jack Smethells
Drew Townsend

The executive committee nominated Ziva Cooper of Columbia University as the next Secretary of ISGIDAR. Nominations were then closed, and Ziva was unanimously elected Secretary.

The President nominated the Secretary (Mark Smith) as the next President of ISGIDAR, and the nomination was seconded. Nominations were then closed, and Mark was unanimously elected President.

The membership thanked Drake Morgan for his service as President. Applause followed.

The New President thanked Drake and Wendy for their service to the organization and told members he welcomed their suggestions for the organization and their input on next year's meeting.

The New President called the meeting to a close at 4:35 pm with a final round of applause.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Smith
Secretary, ISGIDAR