Minutes NAPB Executive Board Meeting April 2017

Attending: Alex Lipka, Arron Carter, Barry Lawrence, David Francis, David Bubeck, Emily Combs, Kate Evans, Richard Pratt, Jane Dever, Ksenija Gasic, Sarah Potts, Sarah Turner, Virginia Sykes, Klaus Koehler, Wayne Smith; Carla Datanagan (business services at UCD)

Attendance Record; Review action items, Approve minutes

Review of financial reports: Klaus and Don reported that the financial report shows no unusual items. Allan Van Deynze reported that he had about \$72,000 in donations which may be a record.

The committee reports are a part of the record. Comments from Chairs:

Membership: Barry Lawrence

Barry Lawrence noted on recruiting private plant breeders for membership that they have a good contact list but welcome others. Jennifer will forward additional names.

Email should be automatic when a person's renewal to NAPB but we need to continue to monitor that people are renewing.

Early Career Working Group : Sarah Potts

Industry professionals want younger people to help shape the ECWG program. Emily C. noted that the group is utilizing Twitter and Facebook. ECWG asked if they could access registration list to invite attendees to volunteer as mentors and attend the ECWG event. General comments were yes, the ECWG should have access.

Action: Smith motioned that the ECWG could have access to the registration list to invite attendees to volunteer as mentors and attend the ECWG event? (As opposed to a mass email; better response rates to personalized emails) Richard Pratt seconded; APPROVED unanimously.

ECWG interested in if they can access emails for leaders. An issue is can we share email addresses. Concern about whether or not we make email addresses available to non-members. Smith checked NAPB web site and contact and email info is on the NAPB website for members, password protected. Klaus and Alex will further investigate.

ACSESS agreed to waive the \$600 fee for registration portal if we're not using it for any specific meeting (e.g., Davis is using their own services for meeting registration). Disadvantage of not using portal are 1. All registration fees are not recorded in ACSESS and 2. They will check if a person is a member or non-member and apply the right fee and thus apply the correct fee as member, non-member, or student. So ASCESS will refund this year's fee and will be available if needed in the future. Klaus and Allen Van Deynze will discuss whether or not the right registration fee is charged. Carla joined the call (UCD financial) to discuss 2017 meeting issues:

Monthly reporting and transparency: she can run any combination of reports on registrations, donors, expenses, etc. She can send that to the president once a month or other.

Fees are broken down as professional or student and member or non-member (then early bird and late). Early bird ends 20 May 2017. Communications will work with EC to remind membership and listserv for Early Bird deadline, abstracts deadlines, and any other deadlines, including lodging.

Discussion about how Carla could identify membership. Klaus and Alex will check on how individual can confirm if they have paid their current fee. Smith checked the NAPB website and under Membership (join/renew) will show that a person is a member but doesn't show if you are current.

Virginia S. suggested that a link through membership site on NAPB that members can go through that will check/confirm their membership so that they can register under the membership. Alex and Carla will work on this linkage. Klaus, Carla, and Alex will meet later this week via phone.

Meeting adjourned at 1 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Wayne Smith