

BV Research Centre Board Meeting - March 13, 2013

Present: Sybille, Richard, Greg George, Don, Brian, Greg Knox, Phil (phone)

## **Meeting Minutes for March 13, 2013**

Meeting opened with a discussion regarding the amended strategic plan. We added a goal 5 to address data management initiatives.

- 1 Agenda accepted (Phil moved to accept, Brian seconded, approved)
- 2 Sybille will submit amendments to minutes from January minutes regarding description of awards to new secretary, Adrian (Brian moved to accept,, then Greg seconded, approved)
- 3 Introductions of new board members, Greg George and Richard Overstall
- 4 Officer confirmation:

President – Sybille Haeussler
Vice President – Don Morgan
Secretary – Adrian de Groot
Treasurer – Brian Edmison
(Richard moved to accept, Greg George seconded, approved)

5 – AGM was very successful, with our largest audience to date

Discussion among members of the awards committee regarding how to announce nominees and winners. The committee agreed only the winners would be announced. We are in the process of fixing the award rules to make it more comfortable for nominations who don't win. Newsletter going to be operational, with help from membership. Rick to contact Johanna Smith about a contribution for the next newsletter.

6 – Moore foundation project may have future funding and we have been invited to submit another proposal for another 2-3 years of funding for CE research. Don and Greg Knox are going to meet with the Moore foundation next week to explore this further, and report back.

Interested board members should send Rick an email by March 22<sup>nd</sup> if they are interested in participating. The data management issue could very well be the next follow up event to our Cumulative Effects conference

A research planning workshop can help with rebalancing the way in which research is acquired and disseminated to membership.

Rick to post note to website about how we have a list of researchers and can make their contact information available. This is a membership service that we offer. The next step would be to create a biography section where individuals can populate a section on their own

Rick to follow up with Ivan regarding Google connection and their (Moore and Google) interest in data management.

Greg Knox has also been working with Johanna Pfalz about a salmon data management plan, and there may be some connection and overlaps.

The data management initiative for the BVRC needs focus. This will come out with subcommittee work.

## 7 – New office

Rick will provide budget via email (with property taxes information) to Brian and Don

8 – A discussion as to where is the line of between advocating for science, and where do we stand on a particular development

The board will discuss this further, and give direction to Rick to act and raise flags when this arises again.

The board will put more structure around this advocacy issue. The board has established a subcommittee to discuss this topic (Sybille moved to accept, Don seconded, approved)

Spring schedule discussed (April 17, May 15 and June 12)

Meeting adjourned (Don moved to accept, Adrian seconded, approved)