

ISCB Regional Student Group-Southeastern USA

Minutes for Thursday, April 13, 2017

Present: G. Saarunya (Chair), M. Breitbach, B. Lasseigne, J. Lawlor, M. McCabe, M. Neu, L. Hardy, R. Ramaker

Announcements

1. ISCB Regional Student Group-Southeastern USA needs to re-submit our proposal to ISCB.

Old Business

Approval of Minutes of March 8, 2017 meeting.

New Business

1. Member introductions of students from the University of South Carolina, the HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology and the University of South Florida St, Petersburg. New members of ISCB Regional Student Group-Southeastern USA are: Ms. Megan Breitbach and Mr. James Lawlor are graduate students at University of Alabama in Huntsville, and, Mr. Matt Neu; and, Mr. Ryne Ramaker are graduate students at University of Alabama in Birmingham. All students have dual enrollment with the HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology.
2. Elections were held with the following results: Ms. Geetha Saarunya, president; Mr. Miles McCabe, vice-president; Ms. Alexa Angelos, secretary; Mr. Ryne Ramaker - treasurer. The faculty advisor is Dr. Leon Hardy.
3. Discussion on the formation of ISCB Regional Student Group-Sotheastern USA.
 - (a) Transition plan was discussed with conversations centered around reaching out to our regions to promote the formation and participation of local computational biology clubs/organizations in their affiliation with the ISCB Regional Student Group-Sotheastern USA.
 - (b) We are constructing a membership list of the southeast USA.
 - (c) Two planned summer seminars by Dr. Leon Hardy at the University of South Carolina and the HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology. We also discussed other venues to meet, particularly, the American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) conference (see <http://www.ashg.org/2017meeting/>) held in Orlando, Florida, October 17-21, 2017.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 18, 4:00-5:00 PM