



## EDUCATION COMMITTEE American Society of Plant Biologists

Committee meeting, Tuesday 6 October 2020 1:30 pm EDT

Via Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/98884133865>

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### COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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### In attendance:

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### Agenda

1. **Welcome** 1:39 PM
2. **Approval of the agenda**
3. **Announcements** (5 min)
4. **Agenda Item 1: TEPB** (20 min)
  - Discussion and vote about award payment mechanism- switch how we pay out TEPB so that we can make payment upfront instead of as a reimbursement model. Still needs to have accountability measure
    - When they submit their product, need to add receipts
    - Payment can be made to institution or individual (preference to urge them to pay to institution)
    - Problem is that cancelled 2020 workshops (TEPB recipients Katelyn Butler & Mary Heskell) will need to be paid in 2021
  - Changes and timeline to TEPB RFP for 2021 award
    - Highlighted changes:
      - Vision & Change reflected in instructions
      - Change mechanism of payment
      - Streamlined summary (3 parts to 2)
    - Discussion:
      - Include the reporting requirements so that applicants know what is expected
      - 'Awardees may be invited'- include details to include that they are expected to present at ASPB annual meeting in some form/fashion (booth, workshop, poster)
      - Is the expectation that they present at the ASPB meeting to share with members, or that the resource gets shared with general outreach? Change requirements to be at a regional/national meeting, or meeting where ASPB has a presence (NABT, NSTA). Or, some sort of archived presentation to be shared in future outreach (electronic poster, etc.) → ASPB national meeting or ASPB sponsored outreach event

- 12 Principles of Plant Biology/Vision & Change are becoming outdated. Future project: task force to work on updating these items. Other potential ways to update:
  - putting out an RFP to ASPB members to work on this set of updates
  - partnering with publications dept. to update
  - external grant to fund the updates (NSF?)
  - use internal funds (BLOOME?) to fund the changes desired

#### 5. Agenda Item 2: 2021 Outreach Events (10 min)

- NSTA – April 2021
  - In Chicago (outdoors won't be an option)- seems like an in person outreach event will not happen
  - Additional details to be released in September (but nothing posted yet)
  - Could we use time/efforts to create electronic resource/content for a virtual presence (circle back to this when we know more)
  - How does this reflect on the society if there is an in-person event?
  - Decision- do not allot additional funds to NSTA
- Plant Biology – July 2021
- NABT – November 2021
  - Hopefully things would be back to normal.
  - Decision- allot funds to NABT, if it does not happen we will have flexibility to decide what to do with the funds
- In-person vs. virtual attendance, committee member interest, and outward perception
- Booth credits from cancelled 2020 conferences

#### 6. Agenda Item 3: Budget 2021 (20 min)

- Factors that will impact our budget amount
  - Budget is being cut, but TBD
  - Drawdown from investments is smaller
  - If Plant Biology is going to be virtual, could mean that there is more money available. The upcoming PB21 meeting will be hybrid (if there is in-person presence)
- COVID considerations
- Spending priorities
  - BLOOME is the largest area to cut
  - Some money for NABT/NSTA booth money
  - New line item (?) for revising 12 Principles- use money for: stipends for individuals or a team to lead the revisions. Evaluate & Assess the 12 Principles, let EdComm know what labs and wording need to be revised, use future BLOOME awards to rewrite labs. Mini-grants to improve labs.
    - 2-3 people to work on the changes (different institutions: community college, research institution, etc) \$2500 each (\$7500)

7. **Any Other Business (5 min)**
8. **List Action Items (5 min)**
9. **Adjournment 2:42 PM**