

Summary of WiPB Committee Meeting -March 2020

The WiPB Committee met on 3/27/2020 [Via GoToMeeting] to discuss our on-going activities. Committee members present include: Laura Wayne (Chair), Eva Farre, Li Tian, Grace Miller, Katie Murphy, Kelly Gillespie, Aruna Kilaru, Sylvia Lee, and Crispin Taylor.

During this meeting we discussed how to implement our workshops in a possible virtual conference. We agreed that both the lunch with [Dr. Sharlene Weatherwax](#) "Perspectives in Science Leadership and Policy" and the breakfast workshop on Implicit Bias & Conscious Inclusion organized by WiPB and MAC could be transitioned to a virtual format. We understood that the times may need to change to fit multiple time zones and the whole conference schedule may change. The guest speaker workshop is easiest to fit into a webinar format, however we will need to work with MAC to decide how to format the Implicit Bias workshop for a virtual workshop.

Two Women Pioneers in Plant Biology Biographies have been recently added to our page, [Sharon Gray](#) and [Mary Clutter](#).

We are still working on organizing additional webinars and assembling the short "2-minute" videos.

We also discussed the Plantae Seminar Series and how we can help increase D&I by [recommending speakers](#).

Our meeting ended with a brief discussion about our committee members and who will be rotating off in September. Laura suggested the committee tries to get back on a schedule of ~2

people rotating off each year. To join the WiPB committee (or other committees), email the current President-Elect.

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