



The Canadian Society of Plant Biologists
La Société Canadienne de Biologie Végétale

DRAFT Minutes
2023 Annual Business Meeting, CSPB/SCBV
Wednesday June 21, 2023, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM EST
Virtual Meeting – Link

<https://ulaval.zoom.us/j/68929036541?pwd=S1dIN1F3TTIDUIJFd2NUd2I6NS9DZz09>

1) Quorum (sign in and/or attendance via link is recorded)

In attendance:

Omar Abdelwahab	Thakshila Dharmasena	Constance LeGloane	Valeria_Paola Parra_Gutierrez
Milad Alizadeh	Aracely_Maribel Diaz_Garza	Madeline Lehmann	Lakmini Pathiranage
Gamat Allam	Amarachi Ezeoke (via Zoom)	Megan Létourneau	Mendel Perkins
Arghavan Arjmandi	Elisa Fantino	Charles Léveillée (via Zoom)	Noelle Perkins
Belay Ayele (via Zoom)	Michael Fish	Fanfan Li	Jacob Perley
Anchalya Balasubramaniam	Jorge Garza	Jie Lin	Aida Rakei
Eileen Barac	Fangue_Yapsev Georges_Yamnick	Sheila Macfie	Sean Ritter (via Zoom)
Danil Batanau	Andrea Gomez_Felipe	Kamélia Mageumoun	Jean Rivoal
Sara Benchaa	Eliana Gonzales-Vigil (via Zoom)	Ian Major	Sean Robertson
Kirsten Benidickson	Daphne Goring	Heather McFarlane	Solem Rocher
David Bird (via Zoom)	Jun Guo	Miranda Meents (via Zoom)	Sylvia Rodrigues_da_Silveira
Justin Boissinot	Alicia Halhed	Carmen Mei	Owen Rowland (via Zoom)
Peta Bonham-Smith	Md_Ehsanul Haq	Rima Menassa	Seyed_Merhzad Sajjadi_Nezhad
Charlie Boutin	Barbara Hawkins (via Zoom)	Dominique Michaud (via Zoom)	Brandon Saltzman
Katharina Braeutigam	Olusola Helen Adekanmbi (via Zoom)	Virginia Miguel	Amin Shahsavaran
Elizabeth Brauer	Shelley Hepworth (via Zoom)	Mark Minow	Bin Shan
Erin Brownscombe	Jacob Hergott	Mohammed Mira	Vinayak Singh
Robin Cameron	Musharaf Hossain	Tagnon Missihoun	Laxiga Sinnathurai
Laura Carmona	Jenny_(JiaHui) Huang	Peter Moffet	Millie Smith
Carly Charron	Kathi Hudak	Jacqueline Monaghan	Saijad Sobhanveral
Jean-Benoit Charron	Faustine Hutinet	Adrian Monthony	Faranak Soleimani
Gavin Chen	Samadhi Jayarathana	Adam Mott	Liang Song (via Zoom)
Joseph Colasanti (via Zoom)	Aurore Johary	Awa_Marina Moulum_Ntapnze	Madeleine Stokes
Peter Constabel (via Zoom)	Karuna Kapoor	Sohann Mukhopadhyay	Sophia Stone (via Zoom)
Zoran Culo	Vahiel Karimzadegan	Bridget Murphy	Gopal Subramaniam
Emannuelle D'Amours	Diljot Kaur	Jenan Nouredine	Kyle Symonds
Amir Danesh	Manoj Koirala	Ocar Nunez	Arnold_William Tazon
Mehran Dastmalchi	Line Lapointe	François Ouellet (via Zoom)	Guillaume Théroux_Rancourt
Daniela_Naomi Delatore_Espinoza	JinSuk Lee	Jasmine Ouellet	Glen Uhrig
Isabel Desgagné-Penix		Artem Parfenov	Neha Vaid

Jordan VanderBurgt	Siyu Wang	Harold Weger (via Zoom)	Mohamed Youssef
Jean-Gabriel Veilleux (via Zoom)	Weina Wang	Wis Wque	Hugo (Huanquan) Zheng (via Zoom)
Vera Velasco	Xiaoyu Wang	Rustin Wright (via Zoom)	Mianmian Zhu
Jeff Waller	Geoffrey Wasteneys (via Zoom)	Limin Wu	Qiong Ziao

- 2) Accept Agenda
Motion. Robin Cameron /Jacqueline Monaghan. **Carried.**
- 3) Receive minutes of the 2022 Annual Business Meeting Attachment #1
Motion. Robin Cameron/Isabel Desgagné-Penix. **Carried**
- 4) Reports of the Officers (slides in attached powerpoint file)
- a) President's Report
Vice-President's Report
Treasurer's Report Attachment #2
- i) Motion to accept report and approve 2023-24 budget.
Motion: Sheila Macfie/Susanne Kohalmi. **Carried.** (3 absentions)
- ii) Motion to accept Megan E. Clements CPA Prof. Corp. to undertake compilation engagement and tax returns for CSPB-SCBV
Motion: Sheila Macfie/Vera Velasco **Carried.**
- b) Secretary's Report
- c) Communication Director's Report
- d) Eastern Regional Director's Report
- e) Western Regional Director's Report
- f) Science Director's Report
(no report)
- g) Education Director's Report
(no report)
- h) Post-Doctoral Representative's Report
- 5) Business arising
- a) 2023 Award Announcements
- i) CD Nelson Award: **Dr. Guanqun Gavin Chen**
- ii) Mary E. Spencer Award: **Dr. Peter Moffett**
- iii) Carl Douglas Award: **Dr. Devang Mehta**
- iv) Ragai Ibrahim Award: **Mendel Perkins**
- b) By-law changes - Ann Oaks Scholarship By-law 22, part g Attachment #3
Motion: Robin Cameron/Daphne Goring.
Discussion:
International Students are not eligible? Harold Weger: Ann Oaks wanted to support Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents to model the NSERC PGS pool (PhD students). Current value is \$21,000
Carried.
- c) Future CSPB-SCBV Meetings
Plant Canada 2024 will run July 6-11, 2024.
- 6) Election of officers

a) Nominations for executive positions

Motion: Accept Hugh Zheng as Vice-President. Mehran Dastmalchi/Daphne Goring. Carried.

Motion: Accept Rongmin Zhao as Treasurer. Mehran Dastmalchi /Susanne Kohalmi. Carried.

Motion: Accept Dr. Lauren Erland as Communications Director. Mehran Dastmalchi /Adrian Monthani. Carried.

Motion: Accept Miranda Meents as Education Director. Mehran Dastmalchi /Hugo Zheng. Carried.

Motion: Accept Sean Ritter as Student Representative. Mehran Dastmalchi /Glen Urhig. Carried.

Election for CD Nelson Award Committee.

Motion: move election to online vote for Election for CD Nelson Award Committee.

Mehran Dastmalchi /Daphne Goring

Motion: Accept Abdelali Hannoufa as member of the Ragai Ibrahim Award Committee. Mehran Dastmalchi / Susanne Kolhami. Carried.

Motion: Accept move election to online vote for Election for Mary Spencer Award Committee.

Mehran Dastmalchi / Isobel Degagne-Penix. Carried.

Motion: Accept Gavin Chen for Glen Krotkov Award. Mehran Dastmalchi / Hugo Zheng. Carried.

Motion: move election to online vote for Election for Society Gold Medal Award. Mehran Dastmalchi /Sheila Macfie. Carried.

Motion: Accept Devang Mehta as a member of the Carl Douglas committee. Mehran Dastmalchi /Dominique Michaud. Carried.

Motion: Accept Susan Murch, Swati Megha, Vera Velasco to the EDI committee. Mehran Dastmalchi /Mark Minow. Carried.

Motion: Accept Jin Suk Lee and Harley Gordon as a member of the Education Committee. Mehran Dastmalchi /Robin Cameron. Carried.

Motion: Accept Sarah Lane as member of the Communications Committee. Mehran Dastmalchi /Mendel Perkins. Carried.

b) Additional nominations

7) Passing of the Gavel

8) Acknowledgement: Outgoing Executive & Committee members, Meeting Organizers, Judges

9) Other Business

a) 2023 Student Presentation Awards

i) President's Awards for Oral Presentations: [two awards]

ii) Jordan Vanderberg, Sean Robertson, William G., Jenene L., Laura Mitchell Carnoiri-R, Michael Fish, Charles R-L.; HM: Bridgette Murphy, Constance __, Miles M.,

iii) Presidents Awards for Posters: Ferinax S., Willy Smith;

iv) CSBP Fisher Awards: R. G., Alisha H., Miyan-man Zhou; Daniel Bataneaux, Daphne Chen, Solomon Chimi; HM: Taufik Al-; Madeline Leman; Helen V—N.

10) Announcement of Incoming Executive meeting (virtual) – TBD

11) Adjournment

Motion: Robin Cameron/Vera Velasco. Carried.