

ISB Executive Committee Meeting – 23 April 2010
Public Minutes

Attendees:

Pascale Gaudet
Lydie Bougueleret
Teresa Attwood
Tanya Berardini (partly)
Tadashi Imanishi
Owen White
Ioannis Xenarios

Apologies:

Tadashi Imanishi
Alex Bateman
Lorna Richardson

1. 4th International Biocuration Conference.
Planning for the conference is underway. The organizing committee is now established, so further discussions will not necessarily involve the ISB executive committee.
We are looking into helping to find funding sources for the meeting. It will be important to have metrics about attendance of the conference; also, highlight the significance of the conference for the Biocuration community. This includes survey of participants' satisfaction, and statistics on presentations that get published in peer-reviewed journals.
2. Funding of society efforts.
The executive committee is working to find funding from companies that have interest in Biocuration and data management. The funding would allow the ISB to support conferences, workshops, and other activities.
3. Promoting links between journals and databases.
We continue to communicate with people actively working in making databases and publications better integrated.
4. Rules for the ISB governance.
The rules for the ISB governance have been approved by the ISB executive committee and are publicly available on the ISB website:
<http://www.biocurator.org/about.shtml#governanceguidelines>
5. Following a request from the ISB, the Database journal has made a Biocuration Virtual Issue containing articles from the Third International Biocuration Conference.
http://www.oxfordjournals.org/our_journals/databa/biocuration_virtual_issue.html
6. Association with a Journal
As decided at the last meeting (March 2nd, 2010), Pascale & Alex contacted Amos Bairoch and David Landsman to let them know that we have decided not to associate with a journal for now.

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