**AGENDA**

**RosEXEC Meeting at Plant & Animal Genome XXII** (open meeting)

**Stratford Room, NOTE:** This is a different location than last year.

**Town & Country Hotel, San Diego, CA**

**8:00 – 10:00 am Sunday, 12 Jan 2014**

**Skype: Contact JD Swanson for details (****jd.swanson@salve.edu****)**

Welcome

* JD Swanson, 2014 Chair (jd.swanson@salve.edu)
* Gayle Volk, 2014 Vice-Chair (Gayle.Volk@ars.usda.gov)
* Self-introductions and sign-up sheet
* Minutes (JD Swanson)
	+ Adoption of minutes, 23 August 2013, 6 January, 2014

Membership (current membership table attached)

* Election announcement and swearing-in ceremony
	+ New members: Gina Fernandez, Ksenjia Gasic, Briana Gross, Duke Lane, and Gregory Reighard
	+ New International liaisons: Fabrizio Costa and Michael Considine
	+ 2014 Secretary: (Cameron Peace)
* Appreciation for leadership in 2012
	+ Chris Dardick, Chair
	+ Jay Norelli, immediate past Chair
	+ departing Committee members
		- US: Kate Evans, Mercy Olmstead, Janet Slovin, Vance Whitaker, and Jay Norelli
		- Intl: Emily Buck, and Lee Meisel
* Election process review
	+ Nominations: quality of election depends on recruiting good nominees
		- if you interested in serving, contact Gayle Volk with list of people familiar with your work and he will help to solicit a nomination
	+ Secretary: starting in 2013 an affirmation of willingness was required
	+ targeted groups for the Committee: new members
		- former RosEXEC members can be nominated 1 yr after end of previous term
	+ Gayle Volk, 2013 Chair of Governance and Membership Sub-Committee

Report from the Rosaceae Gene Naming Standardization subcommittee (Sook Jung)

Subcommittee members: Sook Jung (chair), Robert Schaffer, Lee Meisel, Doug Bielenberg, Carole Bassett, Michela Troggio, Janet Slovin, Dorrie Main, Chris Dardick).

* Committee Goal: To come up with Rosaceae gene naming principle and mechanism for enforcement
* QTL nomenclature (Cameron Peace)
	+ Perhaps provide a link to trait ontology and function?

Rosaceae Species Webpages for GDR

* Volunteers are requested to come forward to write informational pages on their crops of interest. The idea is to deposit this data into GDR.
* One example page will be up shortly (Apple)
* Contact Gayle Volk if interested.

Sustainable funding for GDR (Sook or Dorrie)

* Current application for a NSRP grant that will provide significant funding for GDR
* Dorrie is in the process of contacting project participants, it is VITAL that you help her out by signing up
* If you have not been contacted and are interested please contact Sook or Dorrie

Revision of U.S. Rosaceae Whitepaper **<http://rosaceaewhitepaper.wikia.com/wiki/US_Rosaceae_Whitepaper>**

* Brief review of current Whitepaper
	+ Updates?

RosEXEC Expansion

* + In 2012 and 2013 RosEXEC held some of its annual meetings at ASHS and RGC6 in attempt to expand involvement to Rosaceae community members who do not regularly attend PAG.
	+ Was this successful? Should RosEXEC continue these activities? Open discussion.

Evolution of the committee moving forward

* Should we make changes?
* Is the current structure still working?
* Do we need to reevaluate roles?

Role of industry

* + Can we involve industry members more effectively?
		- Get into leadership roles?
		- Involve more in discussions of grand ideas
		- Is it worthwhile to have a few teleconferences per year just with industry folks directed only on industry problems?

Coordination and updates

* GDR Update(Dorrie Main, Sook Jung)
* Non-research Update (Jim McFerson and other industry experts present)
	+ Industry update
	+ US Farm Bill Renewal/Specialty Crop Farm Bill Alliance
	+ Outlook regarding federal Specialty Crop grant program
		- SCRI
		- SCBGP
		- Regional Centers
	+ Extension: Info and tech transfer
	+ GMO regulatory & market update (Arctic Apples & HoneySweet Plums; others?)
* Competitive Federal Grant Project Reports
	+ Newly funded projects within the Rosaceae
	+ RosBREED (Amy, Cameron, Nahla)
		- RosBREED 2 update
		- Other workshop reports or announcements
	+ Other funded AFRI/NSF projects
	+ Projects submitted: USDA, NSF, etc.
* Leverage of large scale opportunities
	+ RosBREED
	+ CGC’s
* International Project Collaborations
	+ FruitBreedomics
	+ EUBerry

Research Fields and Technology updates

* Whole genome sequences and physical maps
	+ Updates on status of Rosaceae genomes from community.
* Enabling Technologies in Genomics
	+ Sequencing
	+ Annotation
	+ Transcriptional profiling
	+ Markers and genotyping
* Genetics
	+ Reference maps
	+ Major and QTLs located
* Phenotyping/Phenomics
	+ Standardized phenotyping
	+ High throughput phenotyping/Phenomics
* Germplasm/genetic resources
	+ RosBREED populations as germplasm resource
	+ USDA-ARS germplasm
	+ Other resources

Meeting reports and announcements for upcoming meetings

* Crop Germplasm Committees (CGC)
	+ Highlights from 2012 (Please indicate relevant meetings
		- Highlights ASHS, 2013, Palm Desert CA
* Upcoming Meetings
	+ ASHS 2014. July 28th – 31st, Orlando FL.
	+ RGC7. June 24-26, 2014, Seattle, WA

Adjourn: 10:00 am

OTHER POSSIBLE TOPICS

* Research Fields (where are we headed?):
	+ Structural Genomics: open discussion
	+ Comparative Genomics: open discussion
	+ Functional Genomics: open discussion