**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**](mailto:jd.swanson@salve.edu)**)**

Welcome

* JD Swanson, 2014 Chair (jd.swanson@salve.edu)
* Gayle Volk, 2014 Vice-Chair [([Gayle.Volk@ars.usda.gov](mailto:Gayle.Volk@ars.usda.gov))](mailto:chris.dardick@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