

General Meeting UV4Plants Association, July 04, 2022, 17:00 p.m. – 18:00 p.m., Kraków

Minutes

TOP1: Welcome

The President Gareth Jenkins opened the meeting and explained the aims and the activities of the association. The association holds regular meetings every two years alternating with the meeting of the European Society of Photobiology where the UV4Plants association leads plant related sessions.

The President empathized that the association is for its members and he asked the members to express their needs to the association.

TOP 2: Reports from the officers

President: Gareth Jenkins had no further comments to the above said.

Vice-president: Éva Hideg stated that her role is the support of the president and of the association. She reported from the last ESP meeting (Salzburg, virtual, August 2021).

Secretary: Frauke Pescheck had no specific objectives to report.

Treasurer: Susanne Neugart reported that member number decreased to 51 in 2022. Members will be remembered to renew their membership again. The account is still managed by Matthew Robson in Helsinki, as no other viable solution could be found so far. The account has a stable balance. The association will continue to provide ESR bursaries and travel support for keynote speakers. The 4th network meeting has a balanced budget.

Communication officer: Justyna Labuz reported about the questionnaire that was sent to the members about the communication channels. She shared the results of the questionnaire in a power point presentation. Furthermore, she reported about the situation of the UV4Plants Bulletin which will not be edited by Pedro Aphalo any longer. The future of the Bulletin was discussed with the members. There was a consent that the association wants to continue a publication and communication channel similar to the Bulletin. The points raised by the members will be discussed in the next meeting of the managing committee.

The other officers had no specific objectives to report.

TOP 3: General comments from the community

The implementation of the Training School was discussed. Discussed points included:

- Provision of produced materials to other interested members, although this might reduce attendance at the school in the future
- Inclusion of topics related to biogeochemical cycling
- A reduction of the learning content in relation to the duration of the School
- Increased time for practical applications

TOP 4: Election of the Managing Committee

From 44 attendants, 38 were members and thus entitled to vote. Each of the former officers stood for re-election expect for Javier Martinez-Abaigar and Gyula Czégény. During the meeting, Neha Rai was nominated to replace Gyula Czégény as ESR member in the managing committee.

All officers were elected with 38 yes votes, zero no votes and zero abstentions:

- President: Gareth Jenkins, Glasgow University, Scotland
- Vice-President: Éva Hideg, University of Pécs, Hungary.
- Treasurer: Susanne Neugart, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Göttingen, Germany
- Secretary: Frauke Pescheck, Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel, Kiel, Germany
- Communication officer: Justyna Labuz, Jagiellonian University, Kraków, Poland
- ESR member: Neha Rai, University of Geneva, Switzerland
- Member: Shyam Pariyar, University of Bonn, Germany
- Overseas member: Qing-Wei Wang, Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS), Shenyang, China
- Past-President: Marcel Jansen, University College Cork, Ireland

A constituent meeting was scheduled for July 05, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.

Frauke Pescheck, July 17, 2022.