

## **Minutes of the 2009 DNB business meeting.**

Present: Brett Szymik, William Zamer, Jim Belanger, Jim Murray, Darcy Kato, Russell Wyeth, Duane McPherson, Mike Baltzley, Allison Sherman, Zen Faulkes, Tom Pirtle

1. Bill Zamer made us aware of a new funding opportunity through NSF. This funding supports research on transitions in life, especially as it relates to mechanisms of adaption to climate change, energy transduction, and origins of life.
2. The DNB newsletter was discussed.
3. We discussed adding images and video to the SICB website representing DNB.
4. Criteria for judging posters and oral presentations and selection of judges was discussed. The new web-based system for selecting judges during the registration process was as tremendous help.
5. Divisional bylaw changes were discussed.
6. Duane suggested an idea to develop the topic of central pattern generators for the 2011 meeting.
7. We discussed the advantages and disadvantages of holding the next SICB meeting in Salt Lake City or New Orleans.
8. The crowded nature of the poster session was discussed.
9. Ideas for symposia for the 2012 meeting might include sensory neurobiology and the use of multiple sensory cues and their integration.