

Annual Report of the Phycological Section, 2004

The Phycological section of BSA did not receive any requests for, and consequently did not fund any symposia in 2003. None of the general funds were spent.

The Phycological section of BSA held a mail ballot election and elected a new Secretary, Dr. Charles F. Delwiche, University of Maryland, Department of Cell Biology and Molecular Genetics. On the same ballot, the section unanimously approved changes to the section bylaws as follows: 1) BSA members may join the section by checking the appropriate box on the yearly membership form or by notifying the section Secretary; 2) The membership role shall be maintained on the BSA website, rather than by the section Secretary; 3) Ballots may be paper, electronic, or web-based. These changes reflect current practices of the BSA.

The Darbaker Prize for 2004 is currently under consideration. The Darbaker Committee consists of: Debashish Bhattacharya (chair), Richard McCourt, and Annette Coleman. The award will be announced at the BSA banquet on August 4, 2004, in Snowbird, Utah.

Respectfully submitted,

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