BSA Board Email Vote MINUTES

April 1, 2021

An email vote was sent to the BSA Board on April 1, 2021.

BSA has been asked by the Public Policy Committee to contribute more funds this year to the <u>Botanical Advocacy Service Award</u> (BASA), in order to fund three winners instead of the usual one. We had more applications this year than ever before and the PP Committee felt that several were very worthy. They have been trying to elevate the importance of this award for several years now.

This award is provided in partnership with the ASPT Environmental and Public Policy Committee. ASPT has already agreed to provide their portion of funding for three awardees in 2021.

This would require \$1000 more than was previously budgeted for that award. Since we will not be using the full amount of the allocated funds for the two Congressional Visits Day awards that PP Committee provides (no travel required this year), we should be able to accommodate the additional funding for three BASA awards.

No BSA budget increase is needed.

The Board voted in favor of providing an additional \$1,000 to fund two more BASA awards in 2021.