Proposed Amendments to the DCPB bylaws Spring 2024

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Rationale: The proposed changes add two new Past-Officer positions, update Bylaw language around BSP award naming to match current practice, and to update Bylaw language around the affiliate Journal formally known as PBZ to reflect current naming (EEP).

Article Revisions

Article IV Officers

Officers of the Division shall be a Chair, a Chair-Elect, a Past Chair, a Program Officer, <u>a</u> **Past-Program Officer**, a Secretary, and a **Past-Secretary**. Elections of officers shall be held by appropriately secure electronic ballots. A brief biography of each candidate shall be made available on the ballot. The term of office of all elected officers and appointed representatives shall begin at the end of the second SICB Executive Committee meeting at the Annual Meeting in the year the term is to begin and will end at the adjournment of the second SICB Executive Committee meeting at the Annual Meeting in the year the term is to expire. The Officers plus the Student/Postdoctoral Representative shall constitute an Executive Committee responsible for divisional affairs.

Article IX: Past-Program Officer: The Past-Program Officer shall automatically assume this position upon completion of a term as Program Officer and shall serve for one year. The primary responsibility of the Past-Program Officer shall be to support officer transitions by providing advice and context to the acting Program Officer. In this capacity, the Past- Program Officer shall attend all meetings of the Division Officers and be on-call for the acting Program Officer during the on-site planning meeting held annually as part of the Society meeting organization. The Past- Program Officer may also assist the acting Program Officer in handling divisional affairs if required.

Article XI: Past-Secretary: The Past-Secretary shall automatically assume this position upon completion of a term as Secretary and shall serve for one year. The primary responsibility of the Past-Secretary shall be to support transitions between Secretaries. In this capacity, the Past-Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Division Officers. The Past-Secretary may also assist the acting Secretary in handling divisional affairs if required.

Article XIII. Awards a) Best Student Presentation Awards

Two awards will be given in the Best Student Presentation competition at the Annual Meeting, one for the best oral presentation and one for the best poster presentation. Each year the award will be titled in honor of a deceased distinguished comparative physiologist or biochemist. The

name of the honored person will be selected by the DCPB Executive Committee. Each award will include a certificate and monetary prize. Undergraduate students and graduate students who have not yet been awarded the PhD are eligible for the award, as are new PhD's who have received the degree no more than 12 months prior to the meeting. The work must be original and must be carried out principally by the student presenting the paper or poster. A student who applies must be a member of the Division of Comparative Physiology and Biochemistry. In any one year, a student can enter either the oral or poster competition, and a student cannot win the same award twice. A student awarded either the top DCPB poster or talk prize is not eligible for future DCPB student presentation contests. The DCPB Chair will appoint a DCPB member to chair the student competition and, in consultation with that member, will select the other judges.

Article XIV. Publications

The Division (DCPB) sponsors two research journals: a) Comparative Biochemistry and Physiology (CBP) and b) Physiological and Biochemical Zoology (PBZ) <u>Ecological and</u> <u>Evolutionary Physiology (EEP)</u>. The terms of the relationships between DCPB and these journals are:

a) DCPB sponsors the journal *Comparative Biochemistry and Physiology* (CBP), Parts A, B, C and D by promoting the journal and encouraging members to utilize it for publications. In return, Elsevier and CBP will consult with DCPB officers annually regarding the appointment of editorial board members of the journal, and CBP will arrange to have a representative report on the journal at the DCPB annual business meeting.

b) Physiological and Biochemical Zoology: Ecological and Evolutionary Physiology (PBZ:Ecological and Evolutionary Physiology) primarily publishes original research in physiological ecology, ecophysiology, comparative physiology, and evolutionary physiology. The University of Chicago Press (UCP) has the legal authority to appoint the Editor in Chief of PBZ:Ecological and Evolutionary Physiology, and UCP and the Editor-in-Chief have the right and responsibility to set journal policies and appoint the editorial board. However, strong linkages between PBZ: Ecological and Evolutionary Physiology and scientific societies will help ensure the scientific rigor and success of the journal, while simultaneously supporting the efforts of SIB/DCPB to promote the fields of ecological and evolutionary physiology. DCPB sponsors the journal by advising the University of Chicago Press on appointments to the Editor-in-Chief position, advising the Editor in Chief on editorial board members, promoting the journal, encouraging members to utilize it for publications, and working to improve the journal. Such efforts to improve the journal might include items such as suggesting and organizing special topic issues, and organizing working groups to improve editorial policies and the value of the journal for young scientists. To promote communication, the leadership of the journal and The University of Chicago Press will meet regularly with representatives of DCPB-SICB and will make a journal report at the DCPB annual business meeting. UCP and PBZ:Ecological and Evolutionary Physiology will contribute to SICB/DCPB using mutually-agreed upon methods

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