

Bioc Technical Advisory Board Agenda

5 March 2020

Attending: Martin, Charlotte, Laurent, Aedin, Wolfgang, Matt, Michael, Rafa, Vince, Kasper, Sean, Levi, Aaron

Regrets: Stephanie, Robert

Schedule

:00 - :05 Minutes

- 2020-02-06 [minutes](#) approved

:05 - :25 Material for review

- Funding
 - [U41](#): (NHGRI; core) Renewal submitted January 24.
 - [U24](#): Monthly coordination meetings; private slack channel
 - [AnVIL](#): <https://anvilproject.org>: bi-weekly bioc meetings, public [slack](#); weekly tech calls. Bioconductor-specific [progress](#).
 - [CZI seed network](#): monthly meetings, private slack
 - CZI EOSS (Vince): position open
 - Other opportunities?
 - CZI EOSS call "The third distinct cycle will open mid-June 2020."
- Events
 - Contingency plans for COVID-19
 - Virtual conference via bluejeans / slido / etc?
 - Bioc2020 (July 29 - 31, 2020) - available but at additional cost
 - Refund policy to be posted on conference website
 - BiocAsia: [2020](#): Beijing Oct 17-18.
 - BiocEurope: Padova, Italy - Davide Risso as local host. Date not confirmed yet, but should be as usual in early December, not 8 Dec.
 - [Bioc2020](#): Boston July 29-31. Public [slack](#).
 - 22 workshops, 75 abstracts (60 for talks +/- poster, 15 poster only).
 - Matt chairing review committee. Meeting to review on Monday 23rd 9am EDT.
 - Developer day community activities (Charlotte)
Meeting on March 24th 9am EDT
 - CSAMA 21-26 June 2020: [CSAMA 2020 – Statistical Data Analysis for Genome Scale Biology](#)
 - Other
 - Bioc2021 tentatively in Seattle; initial call this week.
- Committees

- Code of Conduct Committee: revised response to BioC2019 Code of Conduct complaint brought forward and approved (Levi)
- Bioconductor code of conduct committee (Levi, Aedin, Laurent, Stephanie) to publish response to CoC issue
- Working groups
 - Carpentries training (Laurent)
 - [Material for review](#)
 - Vince: CZI EOSS (June 2020) may be funding source
 - Sean has experience in teaching these “bit-size” courses
 - “Educators” channel on slack?
 - Action items? Identify candidates to become trainers.
 - Developer forum (Michael, Martin)
 - Checked in w/ Mike Smith. Action items: brainstorming session for topics; approaches to advertising; including additional introductory topics
 - Fluent Genomics (Michael)
 - Build system / continuous integration (Vince)
 - ROpensci/r-hub; github actions etc.
 - [Slide deck for CZI](#)
 - Aims: congruence between events reported at build/distribution system and events observable to developer, affordance of useful binary packages, ...
- Other:
 - European Bioconductor Foundation (Laurent / Wolfgang / Simone B.) has drafted its charter as a non-profit organization

Topics.

:25 - :40 -- Community Advisory Board ([Governance document](#))

- Nomination process completed
- From the governance document:
 - *Establishment*
 - *Appointment of up to 8 members by the Chair of the Technical Advisory Board, in consultation with the Technical Advisory Board and solicitation of nominees from the Bioconductor and broader community*
- TODO: Matt to remove incomplete / duplicate nominations from final list. Submit for ranking to TAB -- 8 votes per member. Ensure diversity (gender, geography, experience) in final ranking

:40 - :48 -- Large project documentation builder

- Notes below
- Use cases: [Mass spec](#); [MSMB](#); Cytof; OSCA; Conference workshops

- TODO: Aaron, Sean, Mike come up with more formal proposal for coordinated project involvement

:49 - :50 -- Multiple signoff on key infrastructure changes (PR proposal, review, execution on thumbs-up from >1 reviewer?) --- concept to be aired and discussed further in future (VJC)