The business meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM CT May 26, 2021, by Achyut Adhikari. He begins meeting with an introduction about the leadership, past chair, the current chair, vice chair, and the administrator.

Those in attendance at the business meeting were:

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| **Last Name** | **First Name** | **Organization** |
| Critzer | Faith | Washington State University |
| Cutter | Catherine | Penn state University |
| Acuff | Jeniffer | University of Arkansas |
| Gibson | Kristen | University of Arkansas |
| Subbiah | Jeyamkondan | University of Arkansas |
| Wang | Luxin | University of California-Davis |
| Wang | Qiuhong | The Ohio State University |
| Dickson | James | Iowa State University |
| Kinchla | Amanda | University of Massachusetts |
| Moore | Matthew | University of Massachusetts |
| Feng | Yaohua | Purdue University |
| Morgan | Melissa | University of Kentucky |
| Danyluk | Michelle | University of Florida |
| Montazeri | Naim | University of Florida |
| Mustapha | Azlin | University of Missouri |
| Kowalcyk | Barbara | The Ohio State University |
| Kovacevic | Jovana | Oregon State University |
| Waite-Cusic | Joy Gail | Oregon State University |
| Park | Si Hong | Oregon State University |
| Balton | Jason | University of Maine |
| LaBorde | Luke | Penn State University |
| Kaylegian | Kerry | Penn State University |
| Bhullar | Manreet | Kansas State University |
| Trinetta | Valentina | Kansas State University |
| Wu | Changqing | University of Delaware |
| Joerger | Rolf | University of Delaware |
| Mishra | Abhinav | University of Georgia |
| Hung | Yen-Con | University of Georgia |
| Chaves | Byron | University of Nebraska |
| Smith | Amy | New Mexico State University |
| Chamber | Barbara | New Mexico State University |
| Pamela | Martinez | New Mexico State University |
| Orellana | Lynette | University of Puerto Rico |
| Plaza | Maria | University of Puerto Rico |
| Dawson | Paul | Clemson |
| Adhikari | Achyut | Louisiana state University |
| Xu | Wenqing | Louisiana state University |
| Bisha | Bledar | University of Wyoming |
| Ryser | Elliot | Michigan State University |
| Bergholz | Teresa | Michigan State University |
| Silva | Juan | Mississippi State University |
| Thippareddi | Harshavardhan | University of Georgia |
| Schaffner | Donald | Rutgers |
| Richard | Nicole | University of Rhode Island |
| Benerjee | Pratik | University of Illinois-Chabana |
| Stasiewicz | Matthew | University of Illinois-Chabana |
| Etter | Andrea | University of Vermont |
| Chapmen | Ben | North Carolina State University |
| Eifert | Joe | Virginia Tech |
| Strawn | Laura | Virginia Tech |
| Rodrigues | Camila | Auburn |
| Lommel | Steve | North Carolina State University |

Members discussed about having election for Secretary in October and postponing in person until fall 2022 to get back on track with previous in-person meetings.

Members discussed about ideas to use the $15,000 funds received from the multi-state excellence award. Ideas included travel funds for new faculties, impact factor writing workshop, environmental sampling workshop, communication workshop such as Center for Science Communication at Stony Brook. Members decided to host the science communication workshop during the in-person meeting next year in Oregon.

Host for next year: Members decided to host the next year meeting in Oregon. Other options included the Louisiana and New Jersey. Joy Waite-Cusic and Jovana Kovacevic will work with the executive committee to make plans for the meeting and pre-meeting workshop.

Meeting Adjourn

Sincerely,

Achyut Adhikari

S-1077 Chair