**MINUTES**

**RosEXEC Conference Call**

**1:00 – 2:00 pm (EDT) Monday, 6 January 2014**

Introductions

* Chris Dardick, 2013 Chair (chris.dardick@ars.usda.gov)
* JD Swanson, 2013 Vice-Chair (jd.swanson@salve.edu)
* Gayle Volk, 2013 Secretary (Gayle.Volk@ars.usda.gov)
* Minutes (G Volk)

Attendees: Chris Dardick, Feli Fernandez, Stan Hokanson, Sook Jung, Lee Miesel, Cameron Peace, J.D. Swanson, Vance Whitaker, Gayle Volk Mike Wisniewski

Recruitment and Elections- JD Swanson

A total of 5 US and 2 international nominees were on the ballot for elections. All seven nominees will join the RosExec committee. A new secretary is needed, ideally before PAG, and JD Swanson will put out a request for nominees.

Report from the Rosaceae Gene Naming Standardization subcommittee (Sook Jung)

Subcommittee members: Sook Jung (chair), Robert Schaffer, Lee Meisel, Doug Bielenberg, Carole Bassett, Michela Troggio, Janet Slovin, Dorrie Main, Chris Dardick).

* Committee Goal: To come up with Rosaceae gene naming principle and mechanism for enforcement
* A committee teleconference was held in November
* It has been proposed that standardization of QTL naming could be discussed by this committee, in addition to gene naming
* A publication is underway and further discussions will take place at PAG 2014 (Jan 12, 2014 RosEXEC meeting)

Suggested Agenda Items for PAG

Approval of minutes (August 2013, January 2014)

Elections/new members

Gene naming committee update

Species webpages on GDR update

Trait ontologies

Sustainable funding for GDR

Rosaceae funded projects

Upcoming funding opportunities

Large scale initiatives (RosBreed)

CGC updates

Changes in current structure of RosExec (increased role for industry representatives?)

Genome sequencing updates

PAG Logistics

Conference call not needed

Skype will be provided