Membership Committee  
ECR Rep: YoungWoo Lee

1) In the broadest sense, what are the responsibilities of your committee?

To address issues of recruitment and retention of members, and to provide membership services and benefits, we do

- Publishing the ASPB news
- Finding ways to enhance ASPB memberships
- Supervising and supporting the ASPB ambassador program
- Approving funding proposals from ASPB sections.
- And more.

You can find what you are doing in more detail from our Meeting Summaries and Activities or in the FAQ at https://aspb.org/membership/aspb-members/committees/#membership-faq.

2) How many hours per month of commitment does it take?

Conference calls: 2-hour meeting 4-6 times annually
In-person: One time 2 to 3-hour meeting at PlantBio annual meeting
And additional 3 to 4 hours to prepare these meetings. The meeting agenda is distributed in advance.

5 to 10 hours to read all the ASPB ambassador applications annually
Additional hours to approve funding proposals from ASPB sections
Additional hours if you volunteer for organizing an event or helping ASPB news publication

3) How can ECR reps influence the functioning of the committee?

Our membership committee members are widely open to hearing ECR representatives’ opinions. In both the monthly and annual meetings, all the opinions from ECR are welcomed/appreciated. Also, ECRs are equal in all aspects during the meetings. For example, my opinion on the award recipient qualification has been accepted and applied for the selection.

4) Do the ECR reps have an equal “say” in matters/decisions?

Yes. Every voter in the membership committee directly cast ballots for applications and proposals. All votes are equal.

Additional notes-

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