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Vale Elected President for 2012

Botstein, Kusumi, Sabry, and Zheng to Serve on Council



Ronald D. Vale

Ronald D. Vale of the University of California, San Francisco/HHMI was elected by the ASCB membership to serve as Society President in 2012. Vale will serve on the Executive Committee as President-Elect in 2011, and will succeed Sandra L. Schmid as President.

Elected from among eight candidates for Council are David Botstein of Princeton University; Akihiro Kusumi of Kyoto University, Japan; James Sabry of Genentech, Inc.; and Yixian Zheng of Carnegie Institution and Johns Hopkins University. Each member of Council will serve a three year term beginning January 1, 2011. ASCB thanks all the nominees.

The Bylaws measure to eliminate the membership application sponsor requirement was passed by a 9-1 margin.

Thirty-nine percent of the ASCB eligible voting membership participated in the elections this year. ■



David Botstein



Akihiro Kusumi



James Sabry



Yixian Zheng

Did You Know...?

July 29 is the regular abstract submission deadline (for Minisymposium or poster presentation) for this year's ASCB Annual Meeting; the meeting will be held December 11–15 in Philadelphia, PA.

- Sponsorship of abstracts is required.
- All current members and member applicants may sponsor their own abstract.
- All regular, postdoctoral, and emeritus members may sponsor another person's abstract if they are not submitting one themselves.

Are there nonmembers in your lab who want to submit abstracts?

Now is the time to encourage them to join ASCB. Not only will they be able to sponsor their own abstract, but they will be eligible for the discounted member-only registration rate. For more information, go to www.ascb.org and click on "Membership." ■

New Mission Statement for ASCB

How to capture what ASCB does, and what ASCB members value, succinctly? The ASCB Council considered recent member survey data and reassessed ASCB's mission. Read an overview of the May Council Retreat beginning on page 3. The new mission statement is:

ASCB is an inclusive, international community of biologists studying the cell, the fundamental unit of life. We are dedicated to advancing scientific discovery, advocating sound research policies, improving education, promoting professional development, and increasing diversity in the scientific workforce.

As always, ASCB welcomes your thoughts. Please write to president@ascb.org. ■