

Minutes from LARPSOC AGM 12th September 2018

Rothenburg ob der Tauber, Germany

Agenda items

- 1) **Review of minutes from AGM 2017**, no corrections required
- 2) **2020 LARPSOC Conference.**
 - **Location:** It was agreed this will be hosted by Mark Bayfield in Toronto, Canada.
 - **Date:** Due to teaching requirements at the host site, the meeting would need to be planned earlier in the year, from June-August. Date to be discussed.
 - **Keynote speakers:** It was agreed that Joan Steitz and Nahum Sonenberg would be invited to give Keynote Lectures. Other Keynote invitees TBA.
 - **Funding:** Rich will apply to NIH, Nahum and Sarah will explore pharma sponsorship
- 3) **Special issue of RNA Biology.** Renee Schroeder has invited LARPSOC to compile a special issue around the LARP family of proteins. It was agreed this would time with (before) the 2020 meeting and celebrate 10 years of LARPSOC. Mark, Cecile and Sarah will be Guest Editors and will invite other PIs in LARPSOC to contribute.
- 4) **Elections:** the following will comprise the ongoing LARPSOC committee
 - **President:** Maria (Sasi) Conte
 - **Vice President:** Andrea Berman
 - **Secretary:** Mark Bayfield (returned)
 - **Treasurer:** Sarah Blagden (returned)
 - **Social Media:** Faraz Mardakheh and Sandy Mattijssen
 - **Postdoc rep:** James Chettle
 - **PhD rep:** Hiba Al-Ashtal (returning) and Kyra Kerkhofs
- 5) **Utz was thanked for hosting such a successful meeting and for serving as president for the last 4 years.**