**Minutes of the first NASCE Council Meeting**

**July 15, 2011**

**Koessler Room, The Michigan League**

**University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan USA**

The first meeting of the NASCE Council was held on July 15, 2011 in Ann Arbor, Michigan during the inaugural NASCE conference (NASCE 2011). The meeting was called to order by Vance Trudeau, one of the three co-founders of the NASCE.

Attending: Carlos Arámburo, Brian Barnes, John Chang, Carmen Clapp, Robert Denver, Robert Dores, Cunming Duan, Steve Harvey, Penny Hopkins, Angela Lange, David Lovejoy, Lynn Riddiford, Nancy Sherwood, Yun-Bo Shi, Stacia Sower, Peter Thomas, Stephen Tobe, Vance Trudeau, Carlos Valverde-R, Glen van der Kraak

The following motions were approved.

There will be three officers of the society:

The Secretary/Treasurer will serve a 4 year term.

The President will serve a 2 year term.

The Vice President will also be the President-elect and will serve a 2 year term.

Conferences will be held every two years, rotating among the three participating countries. The conference will be organized by a local organizing committee; the chair of the local organizing committee will be responsible for the overseeing the organization and management of the conference. The officers will put together a scientific advisory committee and a program committee that will be chaired by the president of the NASCE.

The NASCE Council will have twelve members. The logistics for elections, etc. (and the society bylaws) will be discussed by the officers and Council and voted on at the next Council meeting in 2013.

The chair and chair-elect of the Division of Comparative Endocrinology (DCE) of the Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology will be standing members of the NASCE Council.

Those council members that did not attend NASCE 2011 are no longer on the council.

Membership dues will be folded into the meeting registration, every two years. People who don’t attend can pay separately.

The next conference will be in Queretaro, Mexico May, 2013.

The Council elected the following first officers of the NASCE:

Vance Trudeau – President (Canada) – 2 year term

Carlos Aramburo – Vice President, President-elect (Mexico) – 2 year term

Bob – Secretary/Treasurer (USA) – 4 year term