

Minutes Steering 8 November 2016 (8 AM CDT)

On call: CKTuggle, E. Giuffra, GTosser-Klopp, HCheng, HZhou, BHayes, LHuang, MGroenen, MWatson, PHarrison, LClarke, CSchmidt, YZhu

Regrets: JReecy, SWhite

Minutes from 12 Sept 2016 call- approved

Announcements

- Print publication of GO-FAANG meeting paper is available.
ref: Anim Genet. 2016 47:528-33

Reports from Standing Committee Chairs

- Animals/Samples/Assays:

Huaijun indicated there was a ASA call Sept 21. They discussed:

- 1) ftp website
- (2) sample collection schedule. They set up a db for member updates; to clarify what is being planned and to help coordinate collaborations. Currently many samples are collected. It was suggested to update this quarterly. – to be discussed by ASA. A Biosamples submission workshop was held.
- (3) They are discussing a meeting to be held in conjunction with COST FAANG-Europe.

Updates: The samples paper continues to develop. As far as Huaijun is aware, M. Boichard is waiting for updates from groups. ASA has decided to hold conference calls as needed. The next call will be Nov 22, 2016.

- Metadata and Data Sharing:

Laura reported- there are reviewing metadata submissions by Colin. LeI Eory is submitting pig data. Both will help with checking the system. Then DCC funding started recently. The goal is to get the portal up by PAG> A focus now is on getting the pig data uploaded for the annotation effort of the new assembly to be submitted soon. The M&DS committee is looking for feedback on ways to improve standards. They will set a particular version and will start working on publishing this version.

There is a discussion on legacy data. They are calling for a meeting to discuss in person; hopefully this will be organized for PAG.

Carl reported that he is interested in submitting legacy data to NCBI. And wondered how to submit metadata.

- Bioinformatics and Data Analysis:

Mick reported there has been no calls. The plan is to organize a report of the next call as well as calls of the progress of subgroups.

- Communication:

Chris discussed points in agenda:
a. FAANG Workshop at PAG 2017:

- emphasis on project updates- to be discussed more in Steering Committee. FrAgENCODE representative would be Sarah Djebali as most other INRA personnel will focus on ISAG meeting.
- plans are underway for a Friday afternoon set of meetings within species communities on preparing for AFRI Tools and Resources coordinated submissions. Organized by NRSP8 Species Coordinators, with assistance from Carl Schmidt/NSF G2P. Huaijun indicated that the AFRI Genome PD meeting doesn't end until 4; we need to plan for meeting after that. Laura indicated that the DCC reps (Laura, Peter) are available to attend these meetings if needed/desired.
- b. Funding opportunities website
 - Discussed several suggestions of items to add to this website:
 - put links to COST, NSF groups and travel/training opportunities; i.e., Andreia Amaral notice on STSM. NSF can fund US participants in training anywhere; not true of COST rules.
 - develop list of reference labs?- to help make connections, apply for training funding via NSF, COST.
- c. Discussion on contacting commodity groups, funding agencies
 - Discuss/revise bullet points to summarize FAANG goals and aspirations for effective communication to external groups. The opportunities to gather industry/university support and apply for a match at FFAR was discussed. It was unclear if match to FFAR funding had to be cash and what was the definition of non-Federal (i.e., Canadian federal is a match? EC funding?). CKT is checking. EG suggested that such funding could be a start of the IRC discussed by JC Cavitte. She contacted him about minutes from recent EC Animal Genomics meeting- he replied that he is delayed but should have the report within the next couple weeks. It was noted that Alison van Eenennaam is on one of the FFAR Advisory Councils, and could be a good contact.

Old Business

1. Monthly newsletters? *Any volunteers to provide content will be welcome.*
2. Further discussion on working together to foment increased opportunities for FAANG-related projects.
 - Website- Chris will take ComCom suggestions to Zhiliang Hu to improve visibility of AG2P and COST on faang.org.
 - PAG AFRI/NRSP8 meetings

New business

1. PAG FAANG Workshop discussion- HZ reported
Date/Time/Place: Monday, January 16, 2017 06:10 PM - 08:20 PM Golden West,
 - At ISAG, the emphasis for PAG was decided to be updates from the 4 groups doing data creation (UC Davis, INRA, AUS, WUR). This is reflected in the program where each group has been given about 15-20 minutes. Then there is time for additional FAANG associated updates of 2-3 minutes (5-6 groups), as well as a

Bioinformatics update from Jim Reecy (20 min), M&DS committee by Laura Clarke (10 min), and a 45 min open period at end. Chris asked for 5 minutes to report on the outcome of the AFRI FAANG coordination meetings that will be held the Friday before.

2. Revision of ASA structure- Elisabetta described discussions in the ASA committee on restructuring. The need for discussion on sampling is becoming less, while assays are becoming more important, especially as to linkage with bioinformatic pipelines. They also plan to invite Pablo Ross to the next call to discuss CHIP-seq data.

3. As discussed in ComCom, the COST action and NSF groups could be working together more to advance FAANG goals. Chris asked Elisabetta and Carl to discuss how to start to achieve this and report back in December. There was agreement this could be discussed.

Future Steering Committee calls

Tuesday December 13 6 AM PST, 7 AM MST, 8 AM CST, 9 AM EST, 14.00 GMT, 15.00 CE Standard Time