Bioconductor Community Advisory Board (CAB) Agenda

Apr 13, 2023 | 4 PM EST

Members: Maria, Kozo, Aedin, Lori, Johannes, Daniela, Estefania, Kevin, Mike, Hédia, Xueyi, Leo, Nicole, Janani, Umar, Stevie, Luyi, Jiefei, Jordana, Enis, Mengbo

Attending: Kevin, Johannes, Janani, Jiefei, Lori, Phoebe (guest), Nicole, Stevie, Mengbo, Kozo, Maria
Regrets: Aedin
Guests: Phoebe Quincy (DigitalOcean)

Schedule

:00 - :5: Welcome!

Congrats to new executive members:
Janani and Kevin as Co-chairs
Jo - Secretary

:5 - :6 Review minutes from previous meeting for posting

March Minutes

:7-20 Meet the new members
[new/re-elected members who were present at the meeting and introduced themselves are shown in bold font]

Welcome back re-elected members Aedin, **Johannes**, **Kozo**
New
Umar
Stevie
Luyi
Jiefei
Jordana
Enis
Mengbo

Discussion
:21 - :35 Guest speaker from DigitalOcean/Hacktoberfest events
Phoebe Quincy

- Official website: [Hacktoberfest](#)
- Label github/gitlab repositories to open them for contributions. Contributors get stickers, t-shirts or digital rewards etc for different levels of contributions (usually through pull requests).
- This year: will be different. There will be rewards for pull requests, but most likely not t-shirts etc (maybe just digital rewards).
- Register for a major league hacking event to be shown on the digital ocean webpage.
- Register for an account on [Major League Hacking](#) . This is required both for attending as well as event creation. All registered events will be reviewed to ensure they're not spam.
- 3 roles: event organizer, maintainer, or contributor. All need to register, individuals can take more than one role.
- Good to give incentives to attend/participate - swag, games, put in groups etc
- Digital Ocean can provide virtual event kit for social media promotion with photos etc. Will be available to download as zip file from website around the beginning of September.
- A blog post about this event will be published on August 1st.
- MLH has a monthly global hack week https://ghw.mlh.io/, the October one is during Hacktoberfest

Prepared questions:
- **What makes an official Hacktoberfest event (listed on the Hacktoberfest website) different from an informal one (e.g., Kevin's and Kozo's Meetups in 2022)? A:** Official event benefit: promoted through "official" channels/webpage.
- Can you tell us if successful Hacktoberfest events have something in common? (not asked)
- **Does DigitalOcean/Hacktoberfest require any specific output from official/affiliated events (e.g., report, number of attendees, code). A:** No expectation. Registration data will be collected through MLH, otherwise there are no expectations on the event. Each event does however get checked/validated by them.
- What can we do to make the most out of Hacktoberfest events in terms of 1) engagement with our community, 2) measurable output, 3) positive feelings among participants. (not asked)

Comments in chat: There are a lot of college students who participate in Global Hack Week and it could be really helpful to participate more publicly in Hacktoberfest to get more awareness of the Bioconductor community out there.
… Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any follow-up questions. pquincy at digitalocean.com

:36 - :45 Bioc2023 Discussion
Do we want to do any CAB sponsor activities at Bioc2023 Aug 2-4? Start planning now so we can better develop
- Assuming we will have the opportunity to Meet the CAB again. Any other BoF? Lightning Talks etc? Potentially: lightning talk on last Hacktoberfest events and ideas for upcoming events.
- [discussion/decision moved to May meeting]

We can host BioC satellite events around the globe as watch parties. These can be co-hosted with local R-Ladies meetup groups or maybe RUGs too, although R-Ladies are more centralized and have dedicated branding/followers.

Who is planning on attending Bioc2023
Virtual:
In Person: Stevie Pederson, Mengbo Li (scholarship pending), Jiefei Wang (scholarship pending), Aedin Culhane, Maria Doyle, Hedia Tnani
Regrets: Janani (90%), Johannes, Kevin (91%), Enis
As part of the board the conference committee will sponsor a virtual registration.
Everyone/Anyone is welcome to apply for a scholarship to assist with travel/registration

:46 - :50 CAB Regular Working Groups Reports
Reminder: PR http://workinggroups.bioconductor.org and update

Call for events form
- Are we OK to accept the 2 applications? Translation (weekly), ComplexHeatmap (monthly) | maybe for 6 months?
- Can we provide Zoom for them? [Yes, 100 participants cap.]
- General agreement for both events.
- Action: Maria to follow up with applicants
- Need to define an end date for the events? To remove them from the Bioc calendar and to rotate the password of the zoom account.
- *[Decision moved to May meeting]*

R-Ladies partnership with BioC is on! *[updates in May/June]*
- Starting with a joint blog post
- Co-hosted events with local chapters using Meetup & Twitter
- Next steps – need to figure out
- Can discuss further in May 2023

[*Still following up → May agenda*]
Publications working group – partnership with journals?
Publishing vignettes? DOIs?
Open access + publishing MD/Rmd (Check with Susan H)

:51 - :00 Other Business

Governance Update Review and Voting *[moved to May agenda because running over time]*
Governance Doc 0.0.5