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ROBERT H. GIBBS, JR. MEMORIAL AWARD COMMITTEE

_____ **Collette, Bruce B.** National Systematics Laboratory, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Museum of Natural History, Washington, DC 20560. COLLETTB@si.edu

Research interests: Systematics, anatomy and biogeography of marine fishes especially Beloniformes, Scombroidei, and Batrachoididae. Current activities include finishing the beloniform section for Fishes of the western North Atlantic and serving as chair of the newly formed IUCN Tuna and Billfish Species Specialist Group.

Service to ASIH: Three-time Stoye Award winner; Board of Governors 1962-present; Ichthyological Editor of *Copeia* 1964-1968; Secretary 1974-1978; President 1981; recipient of 1st Robert H. Gibbs, Jr. Memorial Award, 1989. Member of numerous committees.

_____ **Edward Murdy:** Office of International Science and Engineering, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230 (e-mail: emurdy@nsf.gov). Currently on sabbatical at the Division of Fishes, National Museum of Natural History emurdy@si.edu and Department of Biological Sciences, George Washington University emurdy@gwu.edu.

Present Research Interests: Chesapeake Bay fishes; systematics and ecology of Indo-Pacific gobiid fishes.

Service to ASIH: Member, since 1981. Manuscript and book review for *Copeia*.

Reason for wishing to serve on Gibbs Committee: In my view, if a disciplinary group desires recognition by other disciplines, it is important for that group to recognize and publicize the accomplishments of its own members. The Gibbs Committee provides this important function and I would be honored to participate.

_____ **Tyler, James C.** Senior Scientist, Emeritus, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution (MRC-159), PO Box 37012, Washington DC 20013-7012. Phone 202-633-2202 E-mail: tylerj@si.edu

Research Interests: morphology and phylogeny of extant and fossil tetraodontiform, zeiform, and acanthuroid fishes; behavioral ecology of chaenopsid blennies.

Service to ASIH: served three five-year terms on Board of Governors, and on several committees (but its been so long ago that I really cannot recall precisely on which).

ROBERT K. JOHNSON COMMITTEE

_____ **Orr, James W.** National Marine Fisheries Service, Alaska Fisheries Science Center, Resource Assessment and Conservation Engineering Division, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115. James.Orr@noaa.gov

Research Interests: Taxonomy and systematics of marine fishes. Primary research interests on North Pacific marine fishes. Current major projects, with several coauthors, include descriptions of new species of liparid snailfishes, revision of the skate subgenus *Arctoraja*, and book on Puget Sound Fishes.

Service to ASIH: *Copeia* Taxonomic Index Co-Editor, 1994-present; Editorial Policy Committee, 1994-present; Board of Governors, ex-officio 1994-present; Member, Local Committee, ASIH Joint Meeting, Seattle, WA, 1997; Graduate Student Participation Committee, 1990-1992.

_____ **Retzer, Michael E.**, Illinois Natural History Survey, Institute of Natural Resource Sustainability, University of Illinois, Champaign, IL 61820. retzer@illinois.edu

Research Interest: Systematics and biogeography of Auchenoglanididae and *Farlowella* catfishes. Conservation of freshwater fish communities.

Service to ASIH: I have served as reviewer for *Copeia*, judge of posters at the annual meeting, and assisted with the 1992 annual meeting at the University of Illinois.

_____ **López, J. Andrés** University of Alaska Museum of the North, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, AK 99775. ffjal2@uaf.edu

Research Interest: Phylogenetics and molecular evolution of euteleostfishes. Comparative population genetics and phylogeography. Current projects include the Euteleost Tree of Life, evolution of retrotransposons in esociform genomes, phylogeographic patterns along the coastal plains of the U.S. Southeast. Developing new studies of phylogeographic patterns of Alaskan freshwater and marine fishes.

Service to ASIH: Board of Governors Class of 2011. Judge for Stoye Award 2007, 2008. Ad hoc reviewer for *Copeia* 2002 - present. Committee for Graduate Student Participation 1998. Local Organizing Committee 1997.

HENRY S. FITCH COMMITTEE

_____ **Losos, Jonathan B.** Dept. of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA 02138. jlosos@oeb.harvard.edu

Research Interest: evolutionary biology, ecology, behavior, conservation biology, functional morphology Primary research interests on adaptive diversification and evolutionary ecology of lizards, with a special focus on *Anolis*. Current projects include studies of natural selection on lizards in natural settings and investigation of the evolutionary ecology of Central American anoles; *Lizards in an Evolutionary Tree: Ecology and Adaptive Radiation of Anoles* (University of California Press) appears in June, 2009.

Service to ASIH: Co-organizer, Symposium on *Anolis* Biology, 1989 meeting of the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists; Board of Governors, 1992-1995.

_____ **Middendorf, George.** Dept. of Biology, Howard University, Washington, DC 20059. email gmiddendorf@howard.edu

Research Interests: Behavior ecology of iguanid and phrynosomatid lizards. Primary research interests focus on *Sceloporus* lizards in southeastern Arizona. Current projects include long-term studies of demography and population variation of *Sceloporus jarrovii*, lizard predator-prey interactions, and writing a field guide to the lizards of Suriname.

_____ **Pechmann, Joseph H. K.** Dept. of Biology, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, NC 28723 (jpechmann@wcu.edu)

Research Interests: Conservation ecology of amphibians, implications of complex life cycles and habitat shifts for ecology and conservation, and population trend analyses and demography. Current projects include the effects of fire on terrestrial habitat quality for the dusky gopher frog, dusky gopher frog demography and population restoration, and long-term studies of stream salamander distributions and *Plethodon* hybrid zones and the effects of climate change.

Service to ASIH: Gaige award committee 2000-2002 (Chair 2002), Board of Governors 2003-2008.

Candidate Information: Honorary Foreign Member (Ichthyology)

_____Maurice Kottelat (Switzerland); Route de la Baroche 12; CH-2952 Cornol, Switzerland; Tel. +41 32 462 3175; Fax +41 32 462 2259; E-mail: mkottelat@dplanet.ch

Current Title: Independent consultant and taxonomist

Institutional Affiliation: Honorary Research Associate, National University of Singapore.

General Areas of Interest: Systematics and zoogeography of Southeast Asian freshwater fishes, particularly loaches, catfishes and minnows; Asian freshwater biodiversity; and European freshwater fishes.

Publications: More than 200 scientific and technical publications, including major books on the freshwater fishes of Indonesia, Laos, and Europe.

Maurice Kottelat is a leader in the study of the systematics, distribution and biodiversity of Southeast Asian and European freshwater fishes. He has collected extensively throughout both regions, described more than 350 species of fishes, and contributed material to a long list of investigators, including many members of ASIH. He founded and continues to edit the highly successful journal, *Ichthyological Exploration of Freshwaters*, which publishes papers on freshwater fishes of the world. He was the stimulus behind the multi-authored, bilingual 1993 book *Freshwater fishes of Western Indonesia and Sulawesi*, an ambitious field guide to 960 species of fishes, with 840 color plates, and published an equally detailed guide to the fishes of Laos in 2001. Maurice has reinvigorated study of the freshwater fishes of Europe, a fauna that has been understudied for decades, and published an illustrated 646-page *Handbook of European Freshwater Fishes* on the 546 native European freshwater fishes with Jörg Freyhof in 2007. He served as General Secretary (1994-1997) and President (1997-2001) of the European Ichthyological Union. He currently serves as a commissioner of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature. His activities as a consultant and technical advisor are many and varied; he is a member of the editorial board of the *Raffles Bulletin of Zoology*, *South Asian Journal of Natural History*, and *Annals of Tropical Research*, among many other duties. It would be most fitting to honor this distinguished scientist by electing him an Honorary Foreign Member in I