



Southeastern Estuarine Research Society

Spring 2025 Business Meeting
SEERS Annual Meeting:
Progressing into the Future!

March 6-8, 2025
FAU Harbor Branch, Fort Pierce, Florida

SEERS

Past President: Jessica Reichmuth

President: Amanda Kahn

President-elect: Loren Mathews

Treasurer: Rachel Brewton

Secretary: Hans Provost

Program Chair: Laura Treible

Student Rep: Ashley Reaume

Member-at Large: Eric Rosch

Web-Master: Kate Fuller



Note from the President

Another Fantastic Meeting!!!



HUGE THANK YOU to:

- Y'all for participating, sharing top-notch research presentations
- Plenary speakers, Brian & Cassondra, inspirational start to this year's meeting
- Amazing efforts of the local hosts, Rachel and Jordan & HBOI
- Our sponsors
- Student promotion committee: Eric, Loren, Ashley - Travel awards, Presentation awards, Coffee and Careers event
- Judge participants
- Auction/raffle contributions, organizing, and ticket sellers, Rachel, Loren, and Jordan
- Swag sales: Ashley and Jessica



Treasurer's Report



- **Currently in coffers: \$56,751**
- **Estimated meeting costs: ~\$20,000**
 - + 8 travel awards @\$250 = \$2,000
 - + 4 presentation awards @\$30 = \$120
- **Registrations income: \$16,990**
 - 118 Registered
 - 55 students & 63 regular



Treasurer's Report

with help from Student Rep



- **Total sponsorships: \$2,000**
 - Level 1 (\$250): HBOI-FAU, UNF, GA-Seagrant, SC-Seagrant,
 - Level 2 (\$500): Thalassas- \$250 & Goods
 - Level 3 (\$750): Xylem/YSI & Goods
 - Goods: CCA, Waterlust, Free Fly, Walking Tree Brewery, Sailfish Brewery, Manatee Lagoon, Brevard Zoo, Marine Discovery Center
- **Silent Auction Profit & Merchandise Sales Net: ~\$2,000**
 - Any new swag items you want to see at the next meeting?



Secretary's Report



- Last meeting's minutes approval
- Membership update

Members	Total		Active		Renewal Overdue	
	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024	2025
Regular	144	150	64	58	80	92
Student	98	71	60	32	38	39



Committee Reports

Nominations



New Board Members

- Treasurer
 - Rachel Brewton
- Program Chair
 - Laura Treible
- Webmaster
 - Kate Fuller
- Nominations for the Student Representative are active!
 - Secretary: Hans Prevost will continue 2025-2027
 - Student Rep nominations will close Monday, 3.10

Members in good standing can vote! Watch for email update!



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Appreciation and Recognition

Outgoing Board Members

- Ashley Reaume (2023-2025)





New Business



Student Travel Awards

- Kate Fuller, University of North Carolina Wilmington
- Emma Herndon, Augusta University
- Samantha Kilian, Georgia Southern University
- Victoria Makowski, Augusta University
- Ashley Reaume, University of Central Florida
- Jessie Rivera, Georgia Southern University
- Orion Scharton-Witmer, University of South Florida
- Essence Tornabene, University of South Carolina





New Business



Student Presentation Awards

- Best Graduate Student Oral Presentation (TIE)-
Sarah Newton, Florida Atlantic
Emily Farrell, University of Central Florida
- Best Graduate Student Poster Presentation -
Jessie Rivera – Lafreniere, Georgia Southern
- Best Undergraduate Student Oral Presentation-
Carly Dempsey, Florida Atlantic
- Best Undergraduate Student Poster Presentation-
Katie Kress, Flagler College



\$35 in SWAG





New Business



SEERS 2025

Looking for
local hosts!
NC is next on
the rotation

