

Planning and Finance Committee 2023 Report

The Planning and Finance Committee was established by the Board of Directors at the 1998 Annual Meeting in Blacksburg, Virginia. The charge of the Planning and Finance Committee is to help ASM officers to develop the annual budget as a planning tool, and not just an annual spending plan. This consists of working with the President and the President-Elect to ensure that the annual budget provides thematic and conceptual guidance with respect to ASM financial priorities. Such priorities include but are not limited to producing ASM publications, hosting the annual meeting, supporting student research in mammalogy, and promoting greater understanding of mammals by both scientific and lay communities. This year we have reviewed some changes in the operational plan of ASM as well as providing input to ASM President Enrique Lessa on the use of contingency funds. We will (shortly) consult about the budget.

Respectively submitted,

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