## **Teaching Section Report (2018)**

- We put some efforts to expedite abstract submissions to BOTANY 2018 by posting announcements on the BSA websites, sending Bteaching section members email reminders and often contacting contributors on a personal basis
- We requested BSA Ex Director, BSA Ed/outreach Director and IT Director for creating a new webpage for Teaching Section as the current site is outdated for years.
- Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/924309804404303/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/924309804404303/</a> was created, after seeing Lena Struwe had a similar page, we decided to post on her site and we asked our members to start using her page.
- Teaching Section Awards solicitations, reviews and award decisions:
  - o Bessey award Lena Struwe, Rutgers NJ
  - o Postlethwait Award: Madhav Nepal, Brookings SD
- Pasthethwait Award Committee award nomination and decision:
  - o Committee: Bruce Cahoon (Chair), Kyra Krakos and Phil Gibson
  - o Decision: Nomination to Madhav Nepal, and Decision to award
- Reviewed symposium and colloquia proposals that BSA Program director (Amy Littt) forwarded
- Teaching Section sponsored \$250 to two symposia \$250 each
  - #4. Phylogeny and evolution of angiosperms in the era of next generation sequencing
  - #5. The Future of Digital Projects for Research & Teaching in Botany
- Teaching Section Financial Statement(Budget): We have not received yet from Heather's office
- Election of the officers will occur in 2019