

# DDI Alliance Executive Board Meeting

## 12 March 2024

*Present: Libby Bishop, Cathy Fitch, Jon Johnson, Jared Lyle, Johan Fihn Marberg*

### Strategic Plan

Since the last meeting, the Scientific Board reviewed and provided feedback on the draft strategic plan. It is now ready to distribute to the entire community for feedback and eventual discussion and approval at the annual meeting of the members.

### FY25 Funding Requests

It is time again to solicit funding requests from the community for FY25 (June 2024 - July 2025). The Board discussed the need to tie requests to strategic goals and to maintain a balanced budget, but to be open to funding high-value proposals that exceed the annual budget.

It was noted that a large portion of requested funds this past year was related to travel. To save on expenses and for environmental reasons, it was encouraged to fund initiatives that do not require travel or that are co-located with existing meetings or conferences members are already planning to attend.

### Membership Benefits Review

A subgroup of the Board has met to review DDI Alliance membership levels and benefits, which was originally discussed in the January Executive Board meeting. The group is continuing their review. They will write a summary of the issues and any proposals in time for a discussion at the annual meeting.