PDA Meeting 03/05/2021

Finance

Alexander Dowdell:

Organizing funds to give to the speaker. Rushita asked what is the Max. limit to send to the speaker?

Maybe invite a Speaker talking about networking in pandemic.

Travel Award

Maureen: New call with April deadline: virtual workshops and meetings. Use money within a year after May 15th. Set a limit of the minimum score required – keep competitive.

Outreach

Lauren: Reach out to Dylan for topics. Survey on what topics postdocs are interested in? WinSTEM reached out being part of our Family Building Workshop explaining the parenting benefits. Lauren will participate.

Engagement Committee

Deb: Cooking Class was a success. Next is in April

Yoga classes: Going well.

Movie Club: Joselyn was helping with the organizing the discussions around the movie. Ask: Volunteer to help with movie club or wait for movie club until new diversity officer is appointed.

POTM: Formal letter template

Department Rep Program

Allison: rep program might need some restructuring

Meet with 6 volunteers to streamline the process. Send the Bios. Make a pdf with the details of the reps – research, time and hobbies and neighborhoods of volunteer and send that with new postdoc orientation. Send to exec council for input.

P4P: Making short videos for postdocs regarding any topic – perspectives, etc.

PDA Seminar

Wyatt: Upcoming two PDA seminar- Own postdoc and one from outside.

Request to open seminars outside CU campus: increase security and enable waiting room Session with recording for outside speakers.

Communication

Ankita/Kelsey: Sorry for the delay in updating the website – Sitefinity upgrade took time Ask- List of website update and PDA Digest

New International & Diversity officer call- Ankita to send an email.

PDRD

Interest in organizing PDRD: Yes but combine with Zoom and other networking opportunities. Good for new-postdocs as no in-person events happening. Reach out to previous Chair of PDRD. Think out of the box to increase participation.

Start brainstorming in a google doc.

Come up with a theme: Allison mentioned maybe mental health could be a theme

NPA conference

Ask Julie: Review the poster for NPA conference.