PDA Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2017

New meeting format!

- Less formal + snacks
- Combined with coffee hours

Intro to Exec Council:

- President: Hannah Hathaway
- Vice President & Chair of Project Bridge: Erin Golden
- Treasurer: Valerie Minarchick
- Director of Digital Media: Lina Cheuy
- Chief Communications Officer: Qi Liu
 - Will be leaving in a month, for industry start-up world!
- Outreach Coordinator: Sarah Farabi
- PDRD Chair: Carol Kiekhaefer
- Co-chair for Travel Awards/Co-chair of Seminar series: Dominique Reed

Open Positions:

• Chief Communications Officer, PDEC Chair

CU Anschutz Block Party:

- Lead-in event for NPAW
- Campus-wide, there will be a PDA table with cookies and snacks!
- There will also be a card-making station to show appreciation for postdocs
- Wednesday 9/13
- PDA sunglasses available for postdocs

NPAW 2017:

- Twitter/Instagram contest prizes: \$50 amazon, \$30 cedar creek
 - Facebook: caption this photo contest
 - Instagram: Most interesting photo contest
- Check out one of the 88 fliers around campus!
- Monday: Sci Comm Gong Show
 - Get scientists out into the world to tell them what they do. Give a 5 min spiel without jargon, if you use jargon, you'll get kazoo-ed and have to start over
 - o Volunteers get free beer and snacks, and a free ticket for Science Lounge
 - At Spangalang Brewery, 6-8 pm
 - Can also just come to hang out and kazoo people
- Tuesday: Networking Lunch
 - o RC1-South, 2nd floor atrium, 11:30-1:30
 - Lunch only for postdocs? Incentive to bring your PI?
 - Change website to say lunch for all faculty members who come with their postdoc

- Also incentive with raffle for business cards (for those who come with their PI)
- Wednesday: Day of Service
 - Science Market: Demonstrating how biosensors work, specifically a pressured light conversion sensor
 - At farmer's market in Park Hill, talking to kids and adults who would normally shop there
 - 4-8 pm, 2 shifts available
 - o Food Pantry: sorting incoming food
 - 10:30-1:30 and 2-5 pm shifts
 - Comitis Crisis Survey: TBA, to be organized by Mark
- Thursday: Professional Headshots and Science Lounge
 - Headshots: 9-2, sign up for slots, AO1 Conference Room
 - Priority for those who didn't get them last year
 - Science Lounge: Beer themed. First come first serve for free tickets! Priority for those who volunteered for Gong Show
 - Denver Museum of Nature and Science, 6:30-9:30 pm
 - 21+ event, with drinks!
 - 30 tickets available, 4 already signed up!
- Friday: Ice Cream Social
 - Em's Ice cream truck: Free ice cream for postdocs and their PIs
 - Em of Em's is a professor!
 - Can get multiple scoops (usually \$4/scoop or \$7 for double scoops)
 - Last year: 86 postdocs showed up
 - 1-3 pm, in front of building 500
- Saturday: Parents Picnic with WiSTEM
 - o Fred Thomas Park, 3:00 -6:00 pm
 - For parents, spouses, and kids!

Fall Fundraiser:

- A few weeks ago, trivia night at Lowry Beer Garden
- Raised \$235 for The Bridge Project (not the same as Project Bridge)

Postdoc Survey:

- Starts Wednesday at the block party
- \$100 amazon gift card raffle