Meeting Minutes

List of Postdoc Attendees:
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List of Faculty/Staff Attendees:
Trish Labosky
Claudia Cottingham
Kim Petrie

2011 Postdoctoral and Shared Resources Symposium
• Save the date for Tuesday, April 26th, 2011
• Tentative schedule of events passed around for feedback
• Online abstract submission survey complete
  o Add an example for use and integration of core resources
  o Send to Abby this week & hopefully distribute to listserv next week
  o Greg will send a save-the-date to Susan Meyn for distribution to Meharry postdocs
• Vendor contributions
  o Office of Development will assist in this endeavour
  o Development will take a cut of the funds raised – how much?
  o Conflict of interest rules must be followed, so this is the best route
  o Claudia will follow up with Development and send the information our way
  o Trish suggested generating a powerpoint slide with a list of all our contributors that we can
display during the symposium, between talks (make sure each contributor name appears in the
same size & font with no use of company symbols)
  o We will need approximately $1700-$2000 to make up previous vendor contributions
  o Updated budget adjusted for loss of vendor funds & money provided by Shared Resources for
poster awards have been decreased to help overcome the current deficit (see budget)
• Call for Mentor & Postdoc of the Year Awards
  o Need to update & send out with abstract submission survey next week
• Recruitment of judges
  o So far we have a total of 16 and are still awaiting some replies (see list of invites & RSVPs)
• Plan for another Scholarly Learning Committee/Symposium Planning Committee meeting at the end of
this month
  o Greg will send out a Meeting Wizard survey next week

Postdoctoral Recruiting Event
• May 22-25, 2011
• Send out invite to Departmental Representatives & Subcommittee members to ask for volunteers for this
event
• Try to avoid confusing people with the Postdoc Recruiting Event & the Postdoc Research Symposium!
National Postdoctoral Association Meeting
- March 25-27, 2011
- Trish will also be attending
- Call for poster ideas, pictures, and issues to be addressed at the meeting
- Still waiting to hear if our PDA was awarded a travel grant to the meeting – follow up to check on the status of this award

Town Hall Address by Susan Wente
- To be rescheduled
- Postdoctoral attendance at this event is key
- Question submitted to be addressed at the Town Hall, regarding retirement benefits for postdocs

Open forum
- Announcement by Claudia & Trish regarding upcoming meetings:
  - Tuesday February 8th, 2011 2:00 pm–3:00 pm in PRB 206 – meeting for postdoc trainees
    - Meeting to discuss differences between postdoc trainees vs. postdoc employees
    - Forward this notice to all postdocs on the Advocacy Committee
  - Wednesday February 9th, 2011 – meeting for training grant directors
- Announcement by Kim Petrie regarding the upcoming Career Symposium
  - Date: October 18th, 2011
  - Topic: Grants and Fellowships
    - Request for specific topics of interest
  - Request for organizing committee & volunteers
  - Recruit international postdocs, who rely on funding outside of NIH, to be part of this committee