UIPDA Campus-Wide General Meeting Minutes  
April 13, 2015  
Noon-1pm  
Location: BSB 1-107

Present (from among UIPDA): Shabbar, Christina, Yi, Shan, Annie Gutman, Kate O'Brien, Greg Thomas, Anup, Cara, Gurman, Rachel, Kim and Minetta.  
Present (from among public): Carol Fischer, David Lynch, Phil Gander + 2 more

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Questions/comments/updates from UI postdocs

3. Call for UIPDA Nominees for Executive Board and Council of College Representatives, Nominations due by April 30th.

4. Review of UIPDA accomplishments this year:  
   a. Created a postdoc benefits/resources web page(s):  
      http://postdoc.grad.uiowa.edu/policies-and-benefits/university-benefits  
      http://uipda.grad.uiowa.edu/content/useful-links  
   b. Increased postdoc presence on departmental web pages  
      (Dentistry, Electrical-Computer Engineering, Neurology, Surgery)  
   c. Gained the ability for postdocs to obtain parking permits and apply for free auditing of one course per semester  
   d. Provided a wide array of professional development activities – Kamens presentations, Your Stage workshop, Job Search Prep, writing for publication and funding workshop, faculty journal editors panel, faculty grant reviewer panel, and effective scientific presentations and ‘elevator talks’.  
   e. Continued representation & engagement with the MWPDF (Phil Gander is co-president, Kate O’Brien is secretary)  
   f. Increased participation in social events (monthly happy hours and family picnic)

5. National Postdoc Association Meeting Report- Kate O’Brien  
   • Patent writing internship in office of research helps in a career in technology office  
   • How to interview for Academic vs Industry jon  
   • Career path for being an administrator  
   • How to negotiate salary

6. Midwest Postdoctoral Forum Updates- Kate O’Brien  
   a. Postdoctoral forum at Iowa State on Friday, May 15  
   b. Speakers to reach out in the order of preference:  
      i. Lori Adams  
      ii. Matt Gilchrest/ Tom Keegan  
      iii. Darren Hoffmann

7. UIPDA Charter Review: Decided to move the control of postdoc survey from under UIPDA to OPDS. A special meeting will be called in to vote on this issue.

8. Postdoc survey

UIPDA LEADERSHIP
Executive Board  
President  
Cara Hamann  
Vice President  
Rachel Marek  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Gurman Gill

Council of College Reps  
Carver College of Medicine  
Anup Tilak

College of Dentistry  
Christina Nicholas

College of Education  
Candis Hill

College of Engineering  
Yi Liang

College of Liberal Arts & Sciences  
Tianyu Liu

College of Nursing  
Shabbar Ranapurwala, Proxy

College of Pharmacy  
Shan Qian

College of Public Health  
Shabbar Ranapurwala

Policy & Advocacy Committee  
Rachel Marek  
Tian Yang  
Annie Gutman  
Kate O’Brien

Professional Development Committee  
Gurman Gill  
Candis Hill  
Shabbar Ranapurwala  
Krystal Parker

Social Committee  
Cara Hamann  
Greg Thomas  
Marie Breen

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9. Committee updates - Review of in-progress initiatives and upcoming events
   a. Policy/advocacy
   b. Professional development – Need more participation (currently only 3 registered). Ask postdocs to come just for lunch.
   c. Social

10. College Rep updates

11. Items not on the agenda: Certificate of participation/merit for UIPDA leadership/college reps/committee members to encourage more people to join UIPDA.