

## **University of Iowa Postdoctoral Association – Executive Board Meeting**

Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 1:30pm

EMRB Atrium

In attendance: Phil Gander, Michael Crawford, Scott Small

- Postdoc Survey
  - The survey has been sent out to the postdoc community. The survey closes at midnight on December 24<sup>th</sup>.
  - Analysis of the survey results can begin early next year.
- Department Websites
  - Phil and Grazi have prepared a draft letter to send to all college deans.
  - Once the college deans support placing postdocs on department websites, a letter to department heads must be constructed.
- Postdoc Research Day
  - Postdoc Research Day has been scheduled for Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Several rooms in the College of Public Health have been reserved.
  - The Postdoc Research Day Committee has estimated a budget of \$2000 to \$2500.
  - The conference will consist of two scientific talks by postdocs. One will come from Iowa, and one will come from outside.
  - The conference will consist of several half hour workshops, including Entrepreneurship, Patent Law, Government Jobs, Industry vs Academia, Media, and a New Faculty Lab Panel.
  - The conference will also feature two 1 hour poster sessions.
- UIPDA Logo
  - A first round of logo drafts by Design UI has been received.
  - No one from the executive board is especially happy about any of the designs. More research about what is wanted in the logo will be done, and a second round of drafts will be requested.
- Postdoc Happy Hour
  - Postdoc Happy Hour for December took place on Wednesday. The event drew a total of 7 postdocs.