**Council of Biomedical Graduate Students**

**8/20/2015 Meeting Agenda**

Location: HEB 233

Start Time: 8:03am

Present:

Adam Blatt-President

Brian Youseff- Vice President

Katy Dvorak- Secretary

Jessica Saul- Risk Assessement

Tupa Basuroy- CAB Representative

Saad Moledina- IIT Representative

Sravan Perla- CVMD Representative

Neha Nandedkar - Pharmacy Representative

Erin Semple- NND; MD/PhD Representatives

Dr. Williams- Faculty Advisor

Dr. Hill- Faculty Advisor

I. Call to Order

II. Old Business

1. Commendations- Thank you to everyone for your hard work these past few weeks with the Fall Kickoff, picnic planning, and timely emails! Keep up the great work!
2. Constitution and Bylaws- Track changes coming soon.
3. Contact information- Will be distributed to everyone by 8/28/15
4. CBGS welcome picnic – August 22nd-12-5pm
	1. Maumee Bay State Park
		1. Supplies- Closet inventory taken, supplies being purchased Thursday afternoon
		2. Set-up- Adam and Katy going early to get every set up and grill ready
		3. Drivers – Brian, Jess, Erin, Claire Meikle
			1. At least 12 students need rides-need more drivers, students meeting in front of HEB
			2. Reps send another email to get RSVPs from any stragglers
5. Career Forum – October 9th 5-7pm
	1. Confirmed speakers
		1. Jaime Heimbegner Noguez - Assistant Director of Chemistry Laboratories, University Hospital Case Medical Center
			1. Suggested by Dr. Williams
			2. Already contacted, incredibly friendly and eager
		2. David Grossman – Health Commissioner, Toledo Lucas County Health Department
			1. Suggested by Jessica Saul
			2. Alumni from MCO, active in public health
	2. Third speaker- discussed the three options and ranked them as follows:
		1. Joshua Waldman – Equity Research Associate, Cleveland Research Company
			1. Suggested by Dr. Worth
			2. UT Alum
		2. Kalpana Merchant – President, Trans Thera Consulting Company, Currently at Eli Lily
			1. Suggested by Dr. Yamamoto
		3. Michael Bechill – Assistant Professor of Biology, University of Saint Francis
			1. Suggested by Dr. Worth
			2. UT Alum
		4. Brian is contacting Dr. Waldman and will work down the list as necessary
	3. Date- October 9th, 5-7pm
	4. Venue-HEB 103/105-pending availability; if unavailable, looking into Collier rooms
	5. Catering- Budgeted for $15/person; pricing Grape Leaf and Oasis; last year we spent approximately $800
	6. Discussed the following options:
		1. Grape Leaf Diner
		2. Oasis
		3. Schlotzsky’s
		4. Panera Bread
		5. Zoup
		6. Tropical Smoothie Cafe
		7. Jimmy Johns
	7. Flyers and RSVPs- going out as soon as a third speaker is performed
	8. Travel Reimbursement and Gifts for Speakers- Marianne works with reimbursements; planning on $20/gift from the gift shop
6. 2016 Graduate Research Forum – March 17-18
	1. Location - IISC

- Reserved rooms for lunches on Thursday-adjacent to atrium

- Reserved CCE 0111 for lunch with Dr. Zhao on Friday

- Collier 1000/lobby reservation pending

III. New Business

1. 2017 GRF guest speaker invitations
	1. Begin invitations immediately- Dr. David Felten ranked 1st, Erin will be contacting him; next to highest speakers 2nd- Dr. Richard DiMarchi and 3rd- Dr. Steven A. Rosenberg
2. BGEC update – Adam/Dr. Williams- evaluations are being transitioned to an anonymous, online system. Did a test run with Dr. Khuder in the summer- received high remarks. Continued discussion about career planning and career options and the best way to communicate various options to students.
3. Cedar Point – Erin; September 26th- open to all students; looking into group ticket options, UT credit union has reduced price tickets. If enough students are interested, a bus or group transportation could be possible.
4. Sandpiper tours- looking into Fall event; River tours that depart from downtown Toledo and travel the Maumee River.

Next meeting- September 17th, 2015

IV. Adjournment

End Time: 8:53am