

NEBSA Board Minutes - August 8th 2017

Present: P. Arokiaraj, D. Felis, J. Healey, M. Sabolefski, A. Sallee, R. O’Keefe, B. Parsons

Absent: C. Tafoya, J. Tonkiss, K. Joseph

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Review July 2017 Meeting Minutes (All)
 - Approve
2. NEBSA Board Lunch:
 - Thursday, August 17th at 4 PM
 - Location: China Town, Theater District, Government Center or Cambridge??

Theater District:

- Montien (Thai, theatre district) <http://www.montienthaiboston.com/>
3. NEBSA Board Lunch at ABSA – Tuesday, October 17th
 4. Affiliate Ribbons at ABSA – (Rhonda – add to next NEBSA email)
 5. Affiliate Relations Committee Lunch on Monday, October 16th (Anne) & Booth Volunteer (Jessica, Mary)
 6. Budget Update (Mary)
 - NEBSA Symposium will be \$85, no increase in price
 - Balance of 10K in reserve
 7. Annual Symposium (All)
 - Webcast options (Kathy, Rhonda) – On demand option, record in PPT with the speaker permissions, set up website and have people pay to access materials – we’ll do a proof of concept and try to have this available for 2018 symposium – the presenters will be asked to consent in this demo – include in email to speakers(Des)
 - “After-symposium social” (beer and pizza) at a local restaurant with optional attendance options (Mary)
 - Promote in agenda and on our website, apps included, drinks are not included

Meadhall

- Minimum spend \$250 (food or beverage). Defined space in upstairs mezzanine. (Information by phone) <http://themeadhall.com/>

Champions

- Minimum spend of \$500. (see email). Defined/semi-private space for 30 available. <http://www.championscambridge.com/>

Confirmed Speakers:

- Eric Minikel and Sonia Vallabh – Prion Research (Rhonda) (30-45 min)

- Ron Corley (Director of the NEIDL) - (John)
- Patty Olinger (Anne & John) - what kind of role does biosafety have in a hospital environment, relationship with infection prevention/control, biosafety is a content expert, how to fit in the hospital team - Multi-faceted Aspects of Biosafety - Theme
 - Travel Budget (Mary, Despina)
- Application of Biosafety in Innovative Lab Design – Mary S., Betsy P. and Laura Mark (30 min)
- Laboratory and Clinical Biosafety Considerations for Imlygic^R (30 Min) – Kim Parker
- Biosafety Concerns with Prion Research (40 min) – Sajal K. Ghosh
- Ditch the Pre-Inspection Scramble: Achieve an Inspection-Ready and Incident Ready Lab (30 or 45 Min) – Ted Myatt and AJ Troiano – move toward beginning of the agenda
- Draft email to abstract submitted speakers (Jessica and Rhonda)

Waiting to Confirm:

- UMass Lowell Grad Student – LAI Capstone (Mary)
- Brian Petuch – Large Scale, Merk (Mary, Rhonda)

Abstract Reviews:

- Developing a Water Management Program for a Major University Campus (30 Min) – Scott Herzog – Not in line with the objectives of the NEBSA.

Other Potential Topics/Talks:

- Multi-faceted Aspects of Biosafety - Theme
 - Ideas for next year:
 - CDC Select Agent – Updates to Regulations (inactivation) – (Despina) – in progress
 - NIH Gene Therapy Updates (possible option) (Despina)
 - Animal Biosafety (Jessica) – in progress
 - Zoonotic agents
 - Transgenic
 - Different species
 - Zebrafish
 - IACUC/IBC Integration
 - Multiple hazard agents administered into the animals
 - Hazard assessment forms/process – chem/rad/bio (panel discussion) (Pari, Betsy, Mary) – breakdown rooms (Rhonda)
 - Insectary – (Yale) (Ben)
 - Application of ACL's
 - ABSA President (Despina)
8. Taxes Status Update (Mary & Despina) – in progress
 9. Communication/Outreach to Universities & Colleges – save for next year
 10. Communication/Outreach to Towns/Cities to help with Ordinances Update — Burlington asked for help to re-write their policies - (Pari)
 11. Interactive Learning/Networking Event Location – save for next year
 12. Other Business (All)