

NEBSA Board Meeting Minutes – July 10th 2018

Board Members: D. Felis, A. Sallee, J. Healey, J. Tonkiss, P. Arokiaraj, R. O’Keefe, B. Parsons, M. Sabolefski, L. Mark

Board Members Absent: K. Joseph, P. Holeman

Guest: S. Ryan

AGENDA

- I. Review the June 2018 Meeting Minutes (All)
 - Approved
- II. UMass Lowell Student Presentation – Lab Acquired Infections, Sean Ryan
 - S. Ryan presented his capstone project to the Board
- III. 2018 NEBSA Board Goals
 - Mentoring Program Status Updates (Rhonda, Mary, Pari)
 - i. 4 pairs of mentee/mentors
 - ii. Email introductions were sent out
 - iii. The subcommittee will check in with the groups in August/Sept to see how they are doing
 - Webinar – potential topics/speakers update
 - i. Webinar platform review (Rhonda) – in progress
 1. Ruzuku - <https://www.ruzuku.com/pricing.htm> \$83 a mo billed annually
 2. GoToWebinar - [\\$89](https://www.gotomeeting.com/webinar/pricing) a month billed annually
 - Scholarship for student’s update
 - i. Web Based Application (Betsy/Rhonda/Jessica) – in progress
 - Social Media Outreach update (Penny) – no updates
 - i. The Board requested:
 1. Posting info on the upcoming conference on the social media sites
 2. Reminder on media, if you’ve changed emails notify NEBSA through our website
- IV. NEBSA Email & Contact List
 - Mailchimp will remove inactive people from the email distribution list
 - Kathy and Rhonda will reconcile lists
- V. Symposium – November 15th and 16th at UMass Medical Worcester
 - i. UMass Worcester – November 15th (150 estimate) and 16th (50 estimate)

- ii. ½ BL-3 Day Workshop Update (Rhonda, Pari, Despina) in collaboration with T. Myatt.
 - 1. Meeting this Thursday to discuss ½ workshop
- iii. Post Symposium Survey (Jessica) – in progress
- iv. Symposium Budget Update (Mary)
 - 1. Fee to attend were discussed but not yet finalized
 - 2. Visitor Parking for Speakers - \$40
 - 3. Budget for Speakers Gifts - \$700
 - 4. Budget for Speaker Travel - \$1500

- v. Suggested Topics:
 - 1. New submissions/suggestions
 - a. LAIs, presentation at SEBSA – Tony Gemellaro (Mary)
 - i. Potential companion presentation to Sean’s presentation.
 - 2. Regulatory Updates
 - a. Kathryn H. - NIH OSP
 - b. Other agencies? FBI, DOT, USDA, APHIS, Fish & Wildlife, CDC
 - 3. BMBL 6th Edition Updates
 - 4. Clinical Trials – institution tag team regarding oversight and regulations
 - a. Edward David, Celgene (San Diego)
 - b. Celgene is coming to Cambridge
 - c. Poliovirus clinical study
 - d. Jason C. - Mass Eye & Ear, Gene Therapy regarding Blindness (Kathy)
 - 5. Pimp your biosafety program
 - a. Resources
 - b. Support
 - 6. Insectary Research – Malaria
 - 7. Lab Automation
 - 8. Next generation gene sequencing
 - 9. 3D Printers (Vertex, Novartis)
 - 10. Jeff L. – University of Vermont – Culture in Academia vs. Industry
 - 11. AABC Testing – Biosafety Cabinet Certifications
 - 12. ABSA 2018 Updates
 - 13. Biosecurity
 - 14. Safety Culture
 - 15. CRISPR/Gene Therapy - Penny
 - 16. NIH guidelines update
 - 17. Eagleson Institute – biosafety cabinet engineering
 - 18. Topic highlight from ABSA for those unable to attend; differences in protocols for handling blood in clinical setting vs. research lab
 - 19. comparison of older and newer methods - for example alternatives to not cloning in a marker to see results
 - 20. Plant topics, including molecular work with plants and transgenic plant work
 - 21. Risk evaluation and risk communication

22. current emerging infectious diseases
 23. liked ABSA presentation by G. O'Riordan on situation based training
 24. DIY gene manipulations and stand of regulatory agencies
 25. Gene drives, RNAi, viral vectors, shipping-how to figure out when a permit is necessary...
 26. gene editing updates perhaps from local field experts
 27. Public Health – Penny, Pari, Kathy
 28. Recombinant DNA
 29. Large Scale – viral vectors (Betsy)
 30. DFCI Cell Manipulation Core Facility (Despina)
 31. BL-3 UMass Medical (Rhonda)
 32. Next generation sequencing, strain identification technology, potential vendor (Mary)
- vi. Call for Speaker Submissions:
1. Clordisys – presentation submission
- vii. Confirmed Topics & Speakers
1. NEBSA 2018 Updates
 - a. Mentor Program
 - b. Scholarship Program
 - c. Biosafety 101 Webinar Announcement (Dec/Jan) time frame
 2. Jeff L. – University of Vermont – rDNA Agriculture, Cheeses (Laura)
 3. 15 Minutes Networking Activity
 4. Sean Ryan – LAI Capstone (15 min)
- viii. New Business