**Minutes**

**U of U Postdoctoral Association Board Meeting**

4-5 pm on November 3rd, 2021

Virtual meeting

***Active Board Member Count:***10

***Board members:***

Elizabeth Charron (Epidemiology) - Jr. Chair

Elizabeth Sefton (Human Genetics) - Jr. Chair

Kenneth Lyon (Neurobiology and Anatomy)

Harriet Dashnow (Human Genetics) - Sr. Chair

Mai Tran (Biology, Human Genetics)

Noemi Paguiguan (Medicinal Chemistry)

Olja Simoska (Chemistry) - Secretary/treasurer

Sharanya Kalasekar (HCI)

Shraddha Nayak (Biochemistry)

Amy Barrios (OPA)

Leave of absence: Tosifa Memon (Pharmacology and Toxicology)

***Number Present: 9***

***Present*:** Harriet Dashnow, Betsy Charron, Elizabeth Sefton, Amy Barrios, Kenneth Lyon, Mai Tran, Matthias, Olja Simoska

***Known Absences:***

***Absences:*** Noemi Paguiguan, Sharanya Kalasekar, Shraddha Nayak

***Guests*:** Ainhoa Gomez Lumbreras

***Minutes taken by:***Elizabeth Sefton

**Agenda**

1. Introduction of new attendees

1 new attendee: welcome to Ainhoa Gomez Lumbreras (Pharmacotherapy Department)

1. Approve minutes from October: Approved. (yes: 7, no: 0, abstain: 0)
2. Updates on previous events

Weekly Coffee event is going fine. It can be hit or miss. Sometimes 1-2 people attend, sometimes it is just Kenneth. We should consider directing people to the website to verify whether or not the coffee event will happen that week. So, Kenneth will then be able to cancel or proceed as needed.

1. Review upcoming events
	1. "The Dark Side of Science: Misconduct in Biomedical Research" - Dr. Elisabeth Bik (Kenneth)

Event is scheduled for Friday. There is a lot of excitement on our end. Honoraria does not need to be sent in advance (can be within the next month). We have not heard back yet if she is ok with recording.

Discussion about video recordings events:

We want a policy where speakers can opt in. We could use a model of 3 choices: not recorded, recorded but only used for specific purposes, or recorded and can be used for anything (public).

One option is to store videos stored on YouTube, but we need to decide on degree of privacy. It would probably make sense to do something in the middle (public, but not searchable). YouTube can track number of views. We could put the link on the UPDA website or e-mail it out in weekly newsletters. We could replace videos of events as they are repeated between years. This policy can change in the future as well.

Should we restrict how people can access them? To be more private, we could also get a Canvas Page. You would use your uNID to log in. We can create a ZoomLink through Canvas, but may be a bit more work if individuals have to register. Harriet will look into whether there’s an option to log In through the University of Utah, but not increase administrative burden of having individuals register.

From NPAW: Carolyn mentioned she might reach out to Amy about honorarium, but she has not yet so perhaps it went through ok.

* 1. Emotional Intelligence (Nov/Dec)

Ken thinks late November or early December would make sense for emotional intelligence. Ken had contacted speaker and will follow up to set up a call or e-mail with her. Do we want to have this in person? He will ask the speaker.

* 1. Grant event – Harriet will liaise with Amy to discuss options for event in December.
	2. Scientific Society – Mai currently has two speakers: Olja, who is involved in scientific society, and Kristen Kwan. She would like to have a third person. Current third option is very busy and scheduling 2 months out. Amy suggests that it would be better to have a third person to have more perspectives. Amy will reach out to someone in Cancer research. We could move event to New Year to accommodate schedules.
	3. Job/Chalk Talk Event in January – Betsy will coordinate with Mai to contact Nels Elde.
	4. Winter social event? In previous years, there were winter potlucks. Amy would order a main dish and others would bring a dish, but attendance was not very high. We’re not sure if we would be allowed to have a meal together indoors or how comfortable people would be. Mai and Liz will work together on indoor/outdoor space in early December (perhaps at TF Brewing, which has outdoor heaters).
1. Guest comments
2. Vote for new board members
	1. Kevin M. Korous - Inclusion and Diversity Officer

Could not vote this week, as Kevin was unable to attend.