

Postdoctoral Association Meeting Minutes

Aug 10, 2017, 1pm

Graduate School Building Room 2328

In attendance: Nicole, Rebecca, Tahmid, Kurt, Ismaeel, Deepika, Kelly

Agenda:

- Postdoc Appreciation Week (PAW) events
 - Mock interviews: Wait and do later as independent event or do as part of PAW? Pros and cons were discussed, and general consensus was to wait and do later when have more lead time. Will check with Erin.
 - Erin has done: Application/ registration and flyer for mock interviews.
 - Also discussed whether mock interviewers should be outside or within your field. What target audience for critique of your resume? Technical audience or non-technical? It was agreed that a mix should be used.
 - 9/18/17 Kickoff breakfast (Playzone in Carmichael Rec Center) (Nicole and Kurt will spearhead)
 - 9/19/17 Ice cream Social and meet the dogs of PDA (An outdoor space excluding Brickyard-Stafford Commons) and Minute to Win It Games (Rebecca will spearhead). Flyer for this event will have statement that owners are responsible for their own dog's behavior and safety.
 - 9/19/17 Periodic Tables: "Scientific Artist or Artistic Scientist?" Event (Kelly will spearhead)
 - 9/20/17 Mock Interview Session? (Erin?)
 - 9/21/17 TED Talks at the museum (Deepika)
 - 9/22/17 Final Happy Hour (Nicole and Erin?)
 - Passive service project during PAW: Food Drive (Nicole will spearhead)
 - Spearheads: By Sept 1, please confirm time and location for each event. Will print and distribute flyer for PAW. Re-send a couple days to a week before event.
 - Swag for PAW? Nametags or buttons? Buttons that say Proud NCSU Postdoc were the consensus.
 - Additional events to add or replace mock interviews on Wed:
 - Career panel?
 - Improv comedy class or performance?
 - Bell Tower tour?
 - Potluck in the Park?
 - Library tour?
 - Non-science talk? Just for fun
 - A talk from Dr. Nacoste, Psychology Department

- Later this semester: Active service project like Greenway Adopt a Mile, Post Doc talent show
- Collaborate some of our future events with Duke post doc group? Women in Science?
- Quarterly or once a semester Town Hall style meeting with encouraged extra attendance: mid October? In addition to continued monthly organizational meetings.
- House Officers from Vet School are now included in Post doc regulations and policy via HR; Issues to be addressed soon: Grievance policy, salary changes, time reporting
- Individual event planners for PAW will coordinate events via email.
- Meeting adjourned