Postdoctoral Advisory Committee Meeting

Attendees: Joanna Cooper, Ankit Dwivedi, Aditya Jhagharia, Archana Gopalakrishnan, Scott Baliban, Saumil Sethna, John, Neha, Melissa Kroeger, Renee Cockerham and Jennifer Aumiller

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<td>September</td>
<td>Retreat, September 20th- 100 registered, good attendance in career round tables, decreased for other sessions</td>
<td>Joint Social w/Hopkins- Indigma was well attended, 30-40 attendees, mostly Umaryland postdocs. PDAC sponsored food</td>
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<td>October</td>
<td>Dr. Helen Dooley, Oct 21st</td>
<td>TBD, Oct 25th Non drinking game evening in BRB 1-008 for Thursday, October 24th</td>
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<td>November</td>
<td>Teaching Portfolio Workshop- Jenn and Joanna</td>
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(1) Budget

- Update from Aditya: Total PDAC and Retreat

Prior to retreat, PDAC had a balance of 6670/. For Retreat, PDAC fundraised 9350/- of which, 211/- remained adding PDAC’s budget total to 6881/-. Note: PDAC was allocated 2000/- for Retreat in annual budget, which has not been used for the retreat due to the amount that was fundraised.

Split of the fundraised money for retreat:
- Food for Retreat: 4822/-
- Gifts for postdocs: 2700/-
- Postdoc/Mentor Trivia (Lunch with prize)- 650/-
- Networking Social food: 408/-
- Succulent: 342/-
- Gifts for speakers: 105/-
- Balance spent on miscellaneous: including: table cloths, signs, programmes, photo booth props, prizes for Science Quote of the Day.

(2) 2019 Retreat Reflection

- Career Round Tables- Invited 10 speakers, 8 showed up, good engagement with the postdocs, most stayed through lunch and networked. Best attended session of the day. (50-60). Jenn recommended to try a panel next year than round table so that all speakers are heard.
- Skill Blitz- Four sessions. Very low attendance for all (10-15 max per session). Peg McCarthy, Kate Bradford, Tonya Webb were good speakers. Unsure how well Neda Gould’s “Stree management with meditation” workshop was appreciated.
- Alumni Panel- 5 speakers. All very engaging and spoke well. One joined for Networking social also. But very very low attendance- (25). The speakers had diverse backgrounds so were able to share insights in varied directions.
- Keynote- Great speaker, but very low attendance (approximately 60-65) compared to previous year. Might be because speaker was young and not well recognized?
- Food- Italian buffet was better than the International Buffet- but overall lunch quality not great. Breakfast spread was good- Food was ordered from Culin Art.
• Gifts- Mostly well appreciated.
• Social- 40 people attended, PDA spent approxiamnte 400/- for food. JHU postdocs mostly arrived late and kept to themselves. UMB postdocs who attended stayed from 5:30-7:30.
• 2020 retreat planning (notes on fundraising, sessions, attendance, keynote, and food)- Start working on keynote speaker as early as possible.

(3) Continuing business
• 2020 NPA meeting
  Can PDAC present a poster, and what could be presented? Deadline has passed.
  Competition Event: Postdoc vs Mentor Trivia
• Teaching Portfolio Workshop – Jenn will talk to a faculty from Towson for this.
• Business Management Workshop- Try to organize this for Spring.

(4) New Business