

## GSO Meeting Minutes 7/9/2015

Absent: Ridade Sayin

### Symposium

- Sydney
  - Keynote speaker! - Deborah Grubbe - Process controls and safety consulting for industry. – She has a commitment on the evening on the 20<sup>th</sup> in PA, so she'll have to leave right after her presentation. She'll be meeting with faculty beforehand this year.
  - Advice for next year: Have previous prez put list together and get it approved during the spring by Varma.
- Mariana
  - 20 posters so far, estimate of 29. Last year: 33 posters, 2 didn't present.
  - No answer – Beaudoin, Harris, Lister, Caruthers, Ramkrishna.
  - Poster layout – will be in a U-shape in the atrium. Supposedly a safety hazard?
- Scott/Taufik
  - Proctor recruitment – 34 oral presentations. 5 sections, 2 at a time. Need 2 proctors at any given time, total of 20 slots. Has layout and presentation slots.
  - Next task: Make detailed schedule and get proctors to sign up.
- Han-Ting/Zheyu
  - Banquet – one selected packages offered by Lafayette Brew Company. Packet 7: 2 entrees, rice/potato, dish, salad, dessert, \$23 per person.
    - Watch out for vegetarians, gluten, and people who don't eat beef/pork.
  - Mixer – last year more munchies like cheese and crackers.
  - Menus are on the shared drive! =)
  - 2 alcohol tickets per person for both
  - To-do: Approximate total \$\$ for all the meals.
    - Mixer attendees: Faculty (~4 last year) + New grad students + officers + volunteers + reps + presenters (poster and oral)
    - Banquet: Faculty (~8 last year) + officers + reps + presenters (poster and oral)
- Rick
  - Judges for presentations: Won, Kim, Miller (maybe?), if not then Gounder and Laird are other options.
  - In the past we always had 3 judges, but 4 seems more even (two per presentation room)

### Individual

- Taufik and Zheyu
  - Booked picnic venue for new grad students.
  - Document for international students – add banks, car purchasing (discounts with Toyota, Nissan, etc... if you don't have credit history, will give you discount if you prove you're a grad student), used cars.
- Marina
  - Looking into Laird and Liu
- Parul

- Boilerlink is ready for reimbursements.
- Scott
  - Coffee Hours – well attended. Two cartons of coffee was perfect. People like cookies better than pretzels.
  - 2 weeks from today: Pint Night @ Brewing Co.
  - 25<sup>th</sup> – high ropes.
- Arthur
  - Poster will be printed and up by next week.
  - July newsletter out (13 posted around building)