

GSO Meeting on 10/08/2020

Presiding: Wei-Lee

Present: Wei-Lee, Carly, Aidan, Apurva, Daniel Gribble, Daniel Hayes, David, Gaurav, JT, Kurt, Paulina, Sydney, Bev, Prof. Morgan

Absent: Vik

Symposium

Wrap-up:

- Videos uploaded.
- Apurva has sent an email to Industrial reps.

Regular updates

Co Curricular - Sydney:

- Post-doc seminar: Dr. Qinghua Xu (Dr. Liu's group)
- Faculty seminar: Dr. Cornelius Masuku
- Format?
 - Can ask speakers what format they prefer.
 - Preferably have a more organic discussion format rather than a formal one.
- Time and date still to be decided

First Year reps- Paulina and Daniel H:

- Mentor/Mentee update
 - Short survey to mentors and mentees separately
- Zoom Mixer
 - Invite faculty and research groups?
 - How should breakout groups be divided?
 - Probably better to have separate events for faculty and grad student mixers.
 - Insomnia cookies event
 - SAO needs room to be booked for the event

Safety- David:

- Anonymous submission: wipe station now located near Jason's office by the gas carts.
- COVID-19 Lab Safety panel by CheSS to be organized comprising experts from Corteva, Cook, Argonne.
 - On 28th Oct at 1 pm.
 - Virtual seminar

Social- Kurt:

- Virtual Trivia on Oct 21
 - May move it in case prize needs to be added
- Virtual Jackbox night on Nov 11.
 - Could be a zoom meeting with breakouts sessions (depending on number of attendees)

Sports- JT:

- Kickball and Sand Volleyball started, a couple of teams have signed up.

Student Advocacy- Aidan:

- Concern submitted: what to do with liquid N₂ tanks when the elevator inside is not working?
 - No protocol as such for this, there are auxillary tanks that can be used.

President- Wei-Lee:

- Sent out monthly email
- Numerade (a STEM-ed company) wants to sponsor GSO.
 - Asked for more details
- GSAC meeting tomorrow, they want us to present a summary of events/activities

Staff advisor- Bev:

- Oct 28 and Oct 29, there'll be two information sessions (both identical). There'll be a Q&A panel, same as before.
- Need to start thinking about Colloquium.
 - Conduct social event for the same