

Monthly BWIS Meeting

November 8, 2017



Attendees: 18

- I. Call to order by: Wen Hu at 12:00
- II. Comments or questions regarding minutes from last meeting: None
- III. Report on BWIS activities:
 - a) Director of Membership
 - i. Welcome our new BWIS Board members: KellyAnne Convery, Katherine Bachner, Prerana Kankiya, Alex Soares
 - ii. All Board members can be found here:
<https://www.bnl.gov/bwis/membership.php>
 - iii. Need social media (Facebook) responsible person – Anna agreed to post in the interim (articles, and pictures, as needed)
 - b) Director of Communications
 - i. Upcoming:
 1. Chasman call for applications in Monday Memo and BNL sign
 - ii. Look out for BWIS emails
 - c) Director of Programs
 - i. Headcounts for past events:

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| 10/18/2017 | Kathryn Guarini, VP IBM Research - Talk | 50 |
| 10/18/2017 | Kathryn Guarini, VP IBM Research - Roundtable Discussion | 25 |
| 10/26/2017 | Suffragettes-Amazing Women and How They Got the Vote | 45 |
| 11/2/2017 | Barbara Hoffheins Talk | 35 |

1. Membership drive outcomes:
 - a. Oct 18 Table at Berkner - 16 forms
 - b. Big Bang Pop Festival Table – 2 new members
 - c. Total forms received: 56
 - i. 9 Board Members registered

ii. 14 Lifetime members

iii. 26 Regular Members

iv. 7 Students

ii. Upcoming events:

1. Nov. 8 – Rocky Point High School 6-9 PM- volunteers needed
2. TIAA workshop – 11/13/17 at noon – not too late to register!
3. Dec. 6 - Wine & Cheese Event– need budget to start planning;
4. Nov. 30 – Speaker Series Talk – title TBA
5. American Nuclear Society will be giving a talk honoring 150th birthday of Marie Curie Skłodowska at their annual dinner. Contact Ed Sierra for more information.

IV. Open Issues:

a) Harvey Weinstein article in NY Times:

- i. Bob Lincoln an overview of events that led to discussion with Doon Gibbs, Jack Anderson, Tom Schlagel, Wen Hu and Anna Goldberg. Tom Schlagel gave an overview of what happened at the Science Council meeting where the issue was originally brought up.
- ii. Bob Lincoln mentioned to be careful about communications to make sure not to misinterpret others. If something is does not sounds right, ask to clarify. To voice concerns, contact George Goode (Employee Concerns Program) and/or HR.
- iii. Bob plans on publishing data on disciplinary actions at BNL for the past few years. This includes termination for inappropriate behavior (2 in the recent years), suspensions, and written warnings. Most BNL investigations address disrespectful workplace environment. Bob offered to present the data to BWIS prior to publication.

b) Renew registration of bwisonline.org, deadline is Nov. 14th – will be renewed for this year

- i. BWIS paypal pay options is currently hosted on the google domain

V. New Business:

a) ACA (American Crystallographic Association) small grant application for BWIS outreach

- b) Nov.14: Take The Lead Day: “Embrace Your Power: Lead Like a Woman” Workshop (provided by Ivy network)
- c) Possible joint workshop for women on leadership skills. Come to tell us what skills you would like to learn through such a workshop.
- d) Vote on amending the charter. The new wording to say “General meeting to occur once a month” (Yay votes: 13 out of 13 Members in Good Standing present)
- e) Vote on changing the BWIS general meeting date.
 - i. Option 1: 2nd Tuesday of the month (no “yay” votes)
 - ii. Option 2: Even months on 2nd Tuesday of the month; Odd months on 2nd Thursday of the month (18 “yay” votes out of 18 attendees present) – will start with December meeting
- f) American Association of University Women Islip Branch offered to put up a plaque honoring Nora Stanton Blatch De Forest Barney at BNL as part of Long Island Suffrage Trail. They also offered their honorarium (\$200) toward a plaque of BWIS choosing (they liked Goldhaber). BWIS suggested to have a “BWIS Wall of Fame” in Berkner Cafeteria. This will be proposed to Lab Director. Bob Lincoln like the idea.
- g) Possible Luna Fest at BNL. Kathy Walker will register starting Nov. 16
- h) Chasman award discussion: Proposal to change next year’s criteria: remove research component and add undergraduate eligibility. To be finalized by committee. Nov. 30 deadline might be extended to allow for more time to apply.

VI. Action Items:

- a) Need to find Social Media Officer (BWIS Board)
- b) Wen Hu to provide letter of support for ACA grant application
- c) Guimei preparing Wine& Cheese event with Anna’s help
- d) Anna Goldberg and Kathy Walker to work on plaque pricing and proposal
- e) David Schlyer to start a Chasman scholarship restructuring committee to discuss new criteria
- f) Anna Goldberg to amend the charter to change the general meeting wording.
- g) Kathy Walker to keep Board members aware about Luna Fest plans

VII. Adjournment at 13:07