

Monthly BWIS Meeting

June 6, 2018



Attendees: 16

I. Call to order by: Wen Hu at 12:10

II. Comments or questions regarding minutes from last meeting: To focus on inclusion first and then diversity (Vivian).

III. Presentation by Maureen on Mentoring Program at BNL:

What is mentoring: contributing to another's growth.

Match with people you may not know well, no pairs in direct reporting relationship.

Focus on career development.

Right marketing of the mentor program

50-50 male female participation

provision of mentoring tools and guides

Next session starts on August 2018

Wen asked Maureen to send a link to sign up.

IV. Report on past BWIS activities:

a. Shoreham science fair. Represented by Vivian, Prerana and Nusnin. Attendees were too young although we were told high school students will participate.

b. **June 28, 2018: BWIS Lecture**

i. Jennifer Pluznick, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine *"The Sniffing Kidney"*

V. Report on future BWIS activities

a) **2018 Gertrude Scharff-Goldhaber Prize**

i. Winner had been chosen. The travel money is being sponsored by lab since tickets are more expensive than scholarship itself.

ii. Amber has volunteered to help out with food

iii. ceremony to be held on July, 7th.

b) **BWIS Spring Networking Lunch**

- i. Date was decided to be June 20. Menu was being worked on. Conference services suggested to use the online ordering system.
- ii. The budget for this event is ~600 dollars.
- c) New bags have arrived (Kathy)
- d) Leadership meeting to be held on June 22.

VI. Open Issues:

- a) New Board Selection
- b) Update on BWIS plaque wall:**
 - i. Requested suggestions to be posted on the plaque wall which will be established at SBU.
- c) BWISH 40th Anniversary (Same as last month)**
 - i. There will be a survey of BWIS members. The survey will consist of three open ended questions
 - 1. What kind of event would you like to participate in to celebrate the anniversary
 - 2. What time/day would you prefer this event be held?
 - 3. Would you like to serve on the 40th anniversary committee?
 - ii. Getting the committee together early, so that there is plenty of time to plan and allocate budget, is ideal.
- d) Proposed Event Request Form (Anna)
- e) How to promote local STEM events , get in touch with Girls Inc(Vivian)