Dear Kathleen,

It is with great pleasure that we award Brookhaven Women in Science the opportunity to train and develop a workshop to advance women in the science and engineering at Brookhaven National Lab in conjunction with SUNY Stonybrook’s Women in Science and Engineering.

Barring any legal objections from our research office at George Washington University, the full $10,000 will be awarded to you for the first year of the project provided the proposed budget you submitted be slightly revised up to $10,000. Most of the items you requested funds for were in the participant support category: for these we anticipate no problems. For the travel of two members of the management team (to Washington DC) there is no need to include these in the budget. We are prepared to pay for travel of two team members to the May 23–25, 2011 FORWARD to Professorship workshop for observing and training in Washington DC up to $1200 (total for two people).

Below are the amalgamated comments on your proposal. It was reviewed by three people.

"Strong proposal with nice collaboration of national laboratory and academic institution. The focus on mentoring is a good one. Although the proposal was a bit vague and included some unreferenced statements on the status of women in scientific fields, it nonetheless set out the beginnings of an effort to organize a successful workshop to advance women. Some assessment strategies were proposed. Cost-sharing from the national laboratory and administrative support are assets to the program."

Congratulations!

As we get closer to the workshop date, please make your travel arrangements to fit the schedule:

We will have a pre-briefing Monday May 23rd from 8:30 or 9am to noon + a lunch. The workshop itself starts at 1:30pm that day. The workshop ends Wednesday May 25th at 4:30pm. We will have a debriefing Thursday May 26th 9am–1pm.

We can arrange for hotel rooms for you at the Gallaudet U Kellogg Conference Center. Please let us know what nights, names. Information is on the website: http://www.student.seas.gwu.edu/~forward/

with the program: http://www.student.seas.gwu.edu/~forward/program.php

and travel: http://www.student.seas.gwu.edu/~forward/housing-and-travel.php

We look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

Catherine Mavriplis
Rachelle Heller
Charlene Sorensen
Paul Sabila
Yell Inverso
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