

BWIS Board Meeting  
October 8, 2014

Attendees: Simer, Kathy, Christina, Bernadette, Yan, Kristine, Anna, Lorraine, Vivian, Linda Bowerman, Loralie

Activities & cost:

Scholarships

- Goldhaber – Vinita and Linda
  - Call for nominations will be put out in February
  - Applications due at the end of April]
  - Reception will take place in June/July
  - Cost: \$1000 for the scholarship, \$500-800 for the reception
  - Christina will submit an electronic form to web services to allow for online application submission
  - Vinita has newest version of application form – send to Christina
- Chasman – Anna
  - Call for nominations is already out
  - Applications due November 30
  - Winner will be decided by February/March
  - Reception will take place in April
  - Cost: \$1000 for the scholarship, \$500-800 for the reception
  - Next year -> set up electronic submission
- New scholarship for high school students?
  - Either for local high school students or high school students performing research at BNL
  - Discuss options with the OEP
  - Poster session for high school students who performed research at BNL this past summer to take place in November
    - Give an award to the best posters/presenters? Money award or certificate?
  - Committee to discuss this: Vivian, Bernadette, Anna, and Vinita

Speakers - Vivian

- Susana Martinez-Conde – *Sleights of Mind* - October 23 at 4:30pm
  - Cost: \$300
- Spider Silk Speaker – November 20 at 4:30pm
  - Cost: (already received \$400 for airfare), additional \$400 needed

- International Women's Day – Saturday, March 7
  - ~10 female speakers, preferably who were female interns at BNL and now are professionals – Vivian has several people in mind, but looking for more
  - Partner with WISE?
  - Aimed towards HS or undergraduate women on Long Island
  - Cost: \$2000
  
- Penelope Boston – Caves and Environment speaker from New Mexico – Sometime in April
  - Cost: ~\$1200 (airfare)
  
- Would like more local female speakers (SBU, BNL) – please send Vivian suggestions
  - Possible speakers to ask:
    - Karen and Kristy at NSLS
    - RHIC scientist
    - Nancy Goroff – Chemistry department, SBU
    - Joanna Kiryluk – Physics department, SBU
    - Miriam Rafailovich – Materials Science/Chemical Engineering department, SBU
  
- Cookies & Coffee needed at each event

#### Events:

- Wine and Cheese – Thursday, November 6 at 5pm
  - Need to:
    - Print postcards to be sent to BWIS members, and level 1 & 2 managers
      - Modify existing postcard with new logo, date, etc.
    - Alcohol permit – Kathy will do
    - Order food
    - Volunteers needed
  
- WSE 187 – Introduction to Research class - Kristine
  - Looking for scientists to host 5-10 Women in Science and Engineering freshman students from SBU on Saturdays February 21 & 28 from 10am-4pm
  - Volunteers will work with the same students on both days, for a total of ~10 hours
  - Volunteers will create a session for the students to give them a taste of research in their field. The session can combine lectures with hands on activities that could be a part of an ongoing research project in your lab or an experiment that shows

students the essence of your field. All activities should be approved by your safety coordinator and students will be able to complete online safety courses prior to visiting.

- Volunteers can be postdocs (Christina will email ASAP) or scientists
  - Contact Kristine if you are interested or know of anyone who might be interested by October 17
- High School Career Day – Wednesday, March 25, 2015 – Kahille
  - CARE Workshop – week of March 16?
  - TIAA-CREF, *Attention to Detail: Financial finishing touches for women* on October 23 from 12-1pm, Large Conference room in Bldg 490

#### Membership:

- EBoard voted yes to creating a paypal account – Loralie will look into setting up account
  - Paypal charges 2% + \$0.30 per transaction
- BWIS logo items? Give to the first 25/50 members who pay dues and come to the Wine and Cheese event

#### Other Items:

- Merging of Account 7609 and 7617 -> contact Suzanne Davis for a single account number
- Christina has made a google account and calendar ([bwisci@gmail.com](mailto:bwisci@gmail.com))
  - If you want the password, contact Christina
- Yan needs access to BWIS website – Christina will do