

Student PDG

Members Present: Clyde (Chip) S. Manuel (Chair), Aaron Pleitner (Vice Chair), Perdeepinder K. Brar (Treasurer), Sarah M. Markland (Secretary), Gretchen M. Nagel (Social Chair), Laura J. Bauermeister, Tumnoon Charaslertrangsi, Marianne K. Fatica, Kirsten A. Hirneisen, Kyle J. LeStrange, You Li, Matthew D. Moore, Kruti Ravaliya, Laura K. Strawn, Soohwan Suh, Ellen M. Thomas and Grace Tung.

Board/Staff Members Present: Isabelle Walls, Don Shaffner and Tori Stivers.

New Members: Yangyang Wang, Ruth Oni, Nancy Liu, Xueyan Wang, Qian Wang, Deepika Suresh, Jessie Usaga, E.W. Evans, Mingming Li, Songchuan Ma, M. Evelyn Gutierrez, Jiemin Cormier, Elizabeth Williams, Dongjun Zhao, Heng Zhao, Hanshuai Zhang, Zeynal Topalcengiz, Angela Valadez, Qing Wang, Alvin Lee, Patrick Spaninger, Chawalit Kocharunchitt and Joshua Scheinberg.

Visitors/Guests: Rebecca Goulter, Renee Boyer, Andrew Clarke, Isabelle Adolphe, Paul Baxter, Michelle Danyluk, Helen Taylor, Manan Sharma, Eric Martin, Aaron Uesugi, Brooke Whitney, Kali Kniel, Christine Bruhn, Wendy White, Anna Lammerding, Gordon Hayburn, Adrienne Shearer, Inge Van der Linden, Thao Nguyen, Evy Lahou and Oscar Acosta.

Meeting Called to Order: 1:02 p.m., Sunday, July 22, 2012.

Recording Secretary of Minutes: Sarah Markland.

Old Business: Chip gave an overview of the last year's events and accomplishments. Don Schaffner gave a presentation on professional development and networking opportunities for students at the IAFP Annual Meeting.

New Business: Symposium ideas were discussed for next year's annual meeting. Suggestions included:

1. It was proposed that we do a repeat (different speakers and new topics) of this year's symposia, "Tales in Food Safety" as this has been well received so far.
2. How to communicate food safety concerns to the general public. It was noted that a similar symposia was done in 2011.
3. The student liaison for the risk assessment and modeling PDG that they would like to collaborate on a symposium with the SPDG, however no specifics were discussed.
4. Impact of Networking on Food Safety. Such a symposium would discuss how social or professional networking could increase the effectiveness communicating about

food safety issues. Ben Chapman and Wendy White expressed interest in participating in this symposium particularly on the social networking aspect.

A webinar idea was also discussed to inform students on the grant writing process and how to use the IAFP Annual Meeting to meet potential collaborators. A potential collaborator would be the Developing Professionals PDG.

Michelle Danyluk from the Florida Association for Food Protection announced that she will be donating her Affiliate of the Year Award funds (\$1000.00) to the SPDG for next year's student mixer. In addition, Gordon Hayburn announced that he would also be donating his Harold Barnum Industry Award (\$1500.00) to the SPDG for next year's student mixer. Both Michelle and Gordon noted that their donations are conditional upon the ability of the SPDG to raise a minimum of \$5000.00 for next year's student mixer.

Recommendations to the Executive Board:

1. For the 2013 Annual Meeting, the SPDG would like to recommend that session monitors be provided with special t-shirts for identification by session moderators. Students have expressed extreme dislike for the yellow vests that were worn this year. It has also been brought to our attention that some monitors are not wearing the vests at all or hanging them on the back of their chairs so they are not as easily identifiable as anticipated. The requirement of session monitors to wear a specific IAFP t-shirt may prevent this problem.
2. Because of the increase in funds being provided for next year's student mixer, the SPDG would like to recommend that the student mixer be held on a night that does not interfere with other social events such as the bioMérieux event. The SPDG Student Mixer often loses attendees because of this conflict.

Next Meeting Date: A conference call will be held within the months following the 2012 Annual Meeting to discuss the symposia topics for next year. Another meeting will be held at the 2013 Annual Meeting in Charlotte, NC.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:30 p.m.

Chairperson Name: Clyde S. Manuel.