

Student PDG

Members Present: Jessica C. Butler, Clyde S. Manuel, Jessica L. Corron, Lorraine Doralys Rodriguez-Rivera, Anna Van Stelten, Laura Strawn, Caitlin Hickey, Stephen Grove, Matt Ranieri, Evan Chaney, Ashley Haneklaus, Kirsten Hirneisen, Sarah Markland, Marianne Fatica, Amit Morey, Louise Lee and Di Li.

Board/Staff Members Present: Isabel Walls, Don Schaffner, Katie Swanson, David Lloyd and Lee-Ann Jaykus.

New Members: Ellen Thomas, Silin Tang, Chunlei Shi, Vinicius Ribeiro, Aaron Pleitner, Tumnoon Charaslertrangsi, Jeff Daelman, Sarah Finn, Courage Saba, Gustavo González-González, Patricia Hingston, Kyle LeStrange, Stephanie Masiello, Joshua Vandamm, Ashley Bramlett, Katie Vail, Matthew Moore, Jonathan Baugher, Kruti Ravaliya, Sarah Allison Smathers, Kruti Ravaliya, Grace Tung, Abdallah Al-dakheelallah, You Li, Caleb Suh and Martha Maradiag.

Visitors/Guests: Jenny Scott, Julian Cox, Gary Cohen, Chunlei Shi, Renee Boyer, Wendy Maduff, Linda Leake, Sean Leighton, Anna Lammerding, Eric Martin, Jan Soon, Kristina Barlow, Manan Sharma, Richelle Beverly, Divya Jaroni, Jean Weese, Ben Tall, Linda Harris, Jeff Farrer, David Reyda, Patrick Ward, Michelle Danyluk, Amy Simonne, Wendy White, Karen Harper, Mario Estrada, John Bruhn, Christine Bruhn, Paul Baxter, Mathew Barbosa, Tanya D'Souza, Barikisu Jangu, Jacob Smith, Sara Fallari Marvast, Peter Slade, Qing Wang, John Wendell, Maria Igarashi and Adrienne Shearer. *Note:* Only students were present in the meeting.

Meeting Called to Order: 12:50 p.m., Sunday, July 31, 2011.

Recording Secretary of Minutes: Lorraine D. Rodriguez-Rivera.

Old Business: Old business was not discussed due to time constraints.

New Business:

Introductory Items: Preceding the meeting and during the luncheon, the newly-elected committee was introduced to the audience. Preliminary instructions on Monitoring sessions were explained. The T-shirt sale was announced, as well as the Student Mixer. Finally, the speaker Gordon Hayburn gave a short but engaging talk.

Meeting for new symposium ideas:

The following were topics proposed by the members of the SPDG:

Microwave safety/food safety of microwaved food

1. Alternative processing
2. Professional Development for students
 - a. How to do a good presentation
 - b. How to do a good presentation
 - c. Networking
3. Academic Research/Industry/Government/Extension
4. Ready-to-Eat food
 - a. Food safety concern
 - b. Education
5. Outbreak investigation
 - a. Different perspectives (e.g., Public Health)
6. Uncommon emerging pathogens in food
7. Horror stories of contamination
8. What else do we (students) need to know?

- a. Leadership course
- 9. Trends
 - a. Diet trends
 - b. Pre-packaged meals

A webinar was suggested for the “Professional Development for student” topic. In addition, the possibility of holding a webinar aimed at new and first time IAFP student attendees. This webinar would discuss how to approach the meeting and make the most of it. For the “Outbreak investigation” topic, a roundtable discussion approach was proposed. In order to recruit speakers for the “Horror Stories of Contamination”, a massive email was mentioned as a useful tool. At the end of the meeting Jessica Butler asked which were the topics that the SPDG members were more interested in, and the following are the three topics that the students have the most interest: (Roundtable) “Outbreak Investigation Perspectives”, “Horror Stories of Contamination”, and “Alternative Processing.”

Recommendations to the Executive Board:

1. Recognize the appointment of the new SPDG board members for 2011–2012: Jessica Butler, Chair; Chip Manuel, Vice Chair; Lorraine D. Rodriguez-Rivera, Secretary; Anna Van Stelten, Treasurer; and Jessica Corron, Social Chair. The newly created Social chair position will be the individual primarily responsible for planning, organization, and fundraising for the student mixer (and potentially other events).
2. The SPDG would like to explore the possibility of creating a webinar and is requesting help in seeing this idea to fruition. The webinar will be for IAFP 2012 and would be broadcast approximately 2–3 weeks prior to the meeting. The webinar will focus on “How to make the most of your IAFP Meeting.” The target audience will be students and young professionals who may be new to scientific meetings. The idea for this stemmed from the observation during our meeting that many students new to IAFP felt overwhelmed during the meeting. Based on the success of this webinar, future webinars focusing on student development may be explored. These webinars may also offer an excellent opportunity to collaborate and facilitate a growing relationship between the Student PDG and the Developing Food Safety Professionals PDG.
3. The time slot of 12:00. p.m. to 1:30 p.m. was very successful for the student luncheon and meeting during IAFP 2011 as a large number of students remained for the meeting portion of the luncheon. The SPDG would like to request this time slot for IAFP 2012 and future meetings.

Next Meeting Date: TBD.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:35 p.m.

Chairperson: Jessica C. Butler.