

PDA Exec Meeting

June 17, 2021

1. Officer Updates (if there are any)
 - a. Vice President (Arpa):
 - b. Treasurer (Stephanie Klein)
 - c. Secretary (Niladri Gomes)
 - d. IT Coordinator (Cassandra)
 - e. Graduate Council Rep (Chamari)
 - f. College Rep (Amro)
 - g. UCW Rep (Yuderka)
2. Postdoc Awards – Spring 2021 Awards were due May 15. Exec board members to judge the faculty awards at a later date. Next steps? Misty can help with further instructions
3. Library Childcare Space for Postdocs
 - a. Cris Broshar (WorkLife & Family Services Coordinator) coordinating with GPSS to get a new family space to accommodate parents and children at Parks Library
 - b. Natalie, Arpa, Misty, Carolyn Cutrona, Cris Broshar and Dean Seo had a very productive and positive discussion on how to help postdocs get access to the Library Childcare Space – postdocs will be eligible to apply
 - c. Cris further wants to help postdocs get involved in Cyclone Family Network – Meeting with Natalie, Arpa and Misty on 6/17/21 - Great discussion – Survey to follow from Cris Broshar and Keri Guy – PDA will review the survey – Misty and PDA will help them advertise and communicate about this service and resources in July orientation as well as a potential PDA General Meeting in Fall 2021
4. Officer Elections – Begin the nomination process on July 1st? Deadline: July 31st for nominations/votes? Election results and pass down of duties by August 15th or before Fall semester begins?
5. General Meeting Planning
 - a. June 24, 2-3PM: New Faculty Panel
 - i. Faculty who have accepted positions during the last two years to get fresh perspectives on the interview process and what it's like to start your own lab
 - ii. Panelists:
 1. Shawana Tabassum – ISUPDA alum, PFF alum, new tenure-track position at University of Texas Tyler
 2. Kelsey Gasior – Postdoc at Florida State, just accepted a position at University of Ottawa, Canada
 3. Sougata Roy – ISU PFF alum, Postdoc at ORNL, currently Asst. Prof. at University of North Dakota
 - iii. Only Q/A panel – no presentations
 - iv. **Moderator needed!**
 - v. Arpa has questions ready and will share with the panel by June 17th

- b. July/August: Given that the CDC is easing restrictions, we could try and plan an outdoor social event? Maybe July 15-31st? Postdocs could take a “break” during rest of the summer and resume with informational general meetings in Sept.