

SUPD Agenda
9 Oct 2008. CCSR 4205. 1-2pm
Acting Secretary Will Grissom

I. Welcome/Attendance

- Introductions for new people (We had 26 people in attendance!)

II. Old Business

1. BBQ Recap/Feedback (Irfan)

- About 100 people came
- Good feedback
- Spoke to Terry about getting more funds for it
- Name tags worked really well - should continue that
- Solicited people to help out with next BBQ - to be held in a week, perhaps during next debate

2. Unfilled Council Positions

- Request for council membership
- Explained council membership responsibilities
- Modi Wetzler
- Viswanathan Raja
- Nick Shah
- (*Will: All in attendance will be put on council mailing list)

3. Childcare link (Will)

4. VA e-mail (Brandon & Will)

III. Follow-up on Previous Action Items

1. Next Issue of The Voice (Kevin, *et al.*)

- Voices from the past
- Have one article that was submitted over the summer
- How to solicit articles or topics?
 - Career Center/Lane Library/Postdoc office as sources?
 - Should get somebody to compile short something or other describing what we have been up to
 - John Pringle will sponsor costs up to 1000\$
- Nick Shah will help out

2. Childcare online group (Kevin +/- Will)

- Gave recap of what the site would be
- Elsevier grant deadline has passed
- MAD scientists at Stanford Yahoo Community Group
- Kevin will send web link to Will, *Will will put it on the front page as a news item, and also as a link

- Put it in the Voice
- 3. UCLA Social Events Budget (Will)
 - They get money from the Graduate Division
 - Do not have additional funding for their pub nights

IV. New Business/Council Reports

1. Upcoming BBQ (Irfan)
2. Social Events (movie nights, pub nights, etc.)
 - Solicited people to run social events (Pat Sandale, Johan von Doornik)
 - can get group discounts for things (symphony tix, etc)
 - dinner club
 - Short presentations/practice academic job talk + dinner
3. Budget/new PDO position. Meet with Chequeta (Brandon & Irfan)
4. Postdoc Commute (Johann)
 - Working on getting a meeting with Transportation Office
 - Is there some way to pay for transport before tax?
 - We will get somebody to email head of Transport Office on our behalf
5. Women & Science Grant (Kevin & Alison)
 - Survey consultant
 - Nanny Share
6. Drink storage for council meetings

V. Recap Action Items

news item, and also as a link