

Postdoc Association (PDA) Meeting - Monday, 9th October 2023

Attendance: Felicia Moss, Imdadul H Khan, Jeremy Didion, Sagar Regmi, Mohandas, Shashi Singh, Jonnelle Glenn, Maura McCall, Bernadette Schneider, Eric Mosher, Amra Ismail, Nicole Wagner, Suza Mohammad Nur, Reza Ferdousi Beirami

Felicia Moss, Director, PDA

- Fall potluck will be held on 4th November from 1 - 330pm.

Shashi Singh, Sr. Co-President

- Met with Cleveland Clinic postdocs.
- CBTA conferences will be held on 19th and 20th October 2023.
- Looking for a volunteer in the Fundraising committee
- Possibility to provide PDA service certificate from the university such as from the provost or associate provost office.

Ankit Sharma, Jr. Co-President

Imdadul H. Khan, Secretary

Jeremy Didion & Bernadette Schneider, Benefits Committee

Discussed the following issues:

- Individuals with high-power glasses might get a discount for glasses via Eye Med, Jeremy will check on how this works.
- How will health coverage work for postdocs' families or children? Is it will be covered by PI or the department?
- How NIH salary raise will work for postdocs as grants are based on the previous fiscal year.

Sagar Regmi, Immigration and Visa Committee

- A webinar regarding Visa and immigration issues will be held on 25th October. For [RSVP](#)

Eric Mosher, Popular Pandey, Maura McCall, Professional Development Committee

- Postdoc media training workshop will be held on **26th October**. For [RSVP](#).
- Career Series talk (RSVP) is scheduled for **October 19th** with Dr. Oliver Bogler, Center for Cancer Training Director at the National Cancer Institutes.
- The Next Career Series talk will be held on **20th November** with Dr. Muna Aryal, Bioengineering at North Carolina A&T State University. For [RSVP](#).
- For Discord users, Postdocs are requested to use their full name as the ID

Ankit Sharma and Jonnelle Edwards-Glenn, **Social Media Ambassadors**

- Dr. Jonnelle Edwards-Glenn is the Postdoc Spotlight for the current month. [Postdoc Highlight for October](#)
- Asked for suggestions with Twitter visibility issues as our account is an unpaid account.

TBD, **Social Activities Committee**

- This position is vacant. Postdocs are encouraged to join in this position.
- Volleyball will be held on **18th and 25th October** 2023.

Others:

- Symposium will be held on **October 18th**, Wednesday at 3 p.m. to celebrate Flora Stone Mather Center's 20th anniversary ([Link](#)).