

PDA Meeting 10/25/12

- Established New Positions:
 1. President: Nathalie Dubois
 2. Vice President: Meg Estapa
 3. Secretary: Katie Shamberger
 4. Treasurer/Beer Czar: Mike Polito

- Committee Representatives:
 1. International Committee: Lourdes Velo Saurez; alternate, Nathalie
 2. Women's Committee: Meg; alternate, Lourdes
 3. Gender Equality: Katie ; alternate, Mike
 4. Diversity: Mike; alternate, Katie
 5. Education Council: Ben Harden; alternate Meg

- Random Jobs:
 1. Amy Maas: in charge of webpage and google calendar.
 2. Ben: administrator of all postdocs list (Robert Todd will send you info to take over).

- What's Next:
 1. Update PDA webpage (Amy).
 2. Meet your new PDA Postdoc Happy Hour next week, Thurs, Nov 1, 5 pm.
 - a. Can most of the PDA make it? – looks like yes from the doodle poll we used for this meeting.
 - b. Send out email to postdoc@whoi.edu on Mon and reminder Thurs morning.
 3. Next PDA meeting before postdoc happy hour next week, 4 pm.
 4. Interview workshop in Nov?
 5. PDA activity during postdoc breakfast?

- Future things to do:
 1. Coffee hour ~ once a month, rotating departments.
 - a. Examples from last year: seismology, wave tank, Alvin, marine mammals.
 - b. Ideas: SEA boat, JP cruise, NOAA, aquarium, deep submergence lab, sentry/AOV labs, Fye open house (Chris Reddy), ESL, shore lab, OOI facility, ESP harmful algae tracking device...
 2. Career Development Events:
 - a. Interview Prep Workshop ASAP.
 - b. Startup bargaining (Jim Yoder).
 - c. Series of presentations on career development (Aran Mooney).
 - d. Janet has a list of other things the PDA has done.