

PSU Nutrition & Dietetics Alumni Society Board

Minutes from Conference Call Monday, March 2, 2015

Present: Jen Pullman (Pres), Lily Hsu (Treas), Barb Kochanowski (Sec), Alex Blatt Hast, Katie Bridgens, Kristi Stoehr, Brenda Eissenstat, Shana Adise (NGSA), Kristen Hendrix, Gwen Chodur

Absent: Sandy Schlicker (Past Pres), Morgan Cooper (SNA), Karen Weisen, Madelyn Hoover, Gordon Jensen, Maureen Spill, Melissa Altman-Traub, Michelle McGavin, Lucy Song

Routine Business

Minutes Approval

The January 5, 2015 and February 2, 2015 meeting minutes were approved. .

Treasurer's Report

Lily Hsu reported that there is a balance of \$2422.07 in the NDAS account. The increase is due to incoming registrations and donations for the brunch.

New Members

Katie Bridgens has joined the Board, filling a vacant slot (Amy Preston). Kristen Hendrix and Gwen Chodur, recent Penn State graduates, have joined the Mentoring and Awards Committees, respectively.

Reports from Department and Student Liaisons

Morgan Cooper reported via email that the SNA will hold elections on March 3, 2015. The group will exhibit a poster at the Department branding event on March 16th. They will also promote National Nutrition Month with Jamba Juice. Shana Adise reported that the NGSA has been inviting faculty to talk to students about careers and these meetings have been very successful. They may reach out to Board members to talk with students. The group will hold elections soon. Gordon Jensen reported via Jen Pullman that they are actively interviewing for 2 open positions. All alumni are invited to the Branding Day activities on March 16. A message on this was sent earlier to the board and committee members.

MACS

MACS: Mentoring

- We have 7-8 alumni for the speed networking event, 10-11 a.m. on 3/22/15
- For those Board members attending the brunch, we will meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Nittany Lion Inn, Assembly Room

MACS: Awards

- Regan Bailey's nomination was submitted on March 1st. Thanks to Sandy Schlicker for helping to obtain new letters of recommendation.
- An effort to co-nominate Laura Sims for an award with another group was unsuccessful.

MACS: Communication

- 4-5 undergraduates have been added to the LinkedIn group

MACS: Social/Professional Activities

- Brunch plans are set
 - Certificate of appreciation has been prepared for the guest speaker, Dr. Keller
 - 40+ students are registered to attend
- We will debrief the brunch on the April call

Other Business

- Jen Pullman will confirm Maureen Spill's status on the Board
- A new VP and chair for Awards is needed.
- The next call will be April 6, 2015 at 7 p.m.

Submitted by: Barbara Kochanowski