

NGSO Meeting: March 22, 2017

Chris opens meeting to discuss fundraising, social events, professional development, and website updates.

1) Fundraising:

Congratulations were in order for a successful fundraiser at Melt. Response from Melt RE: amount raised is forthcoming, we eagerly await a response. All members present at the meeting were smiling and had positive comments about the fundraiser.

Next fundraiser: cleanup day at the Schott. Approx. 2h of work, 16 interested volunteers at the NGSO meeting - Liz will email with details regarding potential dates for this volunteer opportunity.

2) Social:

Kathryn is organizing a faculty+student Columbus Clippers mixer. Most likely plan will include group seating for attendees, and the event will take place on May 6th (day before OSU graduation), with the game scheduled for 7:15pm.

Kathryn also planning an April happy hour - date and location TBA. Members who were present at the March happy hour enjoyed themselves and thought happy hours were a fun idea that should continue throughout the summer.

3) Professional Development:

OUAB is hosting a graduate/professional etiquette dinner March 30th (next Thursday). The event is free, but tickets are required to attend. Tickets can be reserved at: [OUAB ETIQUETTE TICKETS](#)

Professional development committee will begin work on a guide for grant submission to be included on the NGSO website. This will serve as a resource for the fellowships and grants available to students in the Neuroscience Graduate Program, and students who have successfully applied for non-standard grants are asked to please contact Luke Russell.

4) Website:

Sarah presented 3 possible NGSO logos for the website, the group voted in favor of version 2 but with some modifications.

Sarah requests (and sent an email about this) that we send photos from Neuroscience get-togethers to her for publication on the website.

Sarah also refers students to their NGP bios for review and updating: students can submit their own changes to Sarah through an [ONLINE PORTAL](#), and are advised to do so whenever new publications, presentations, or accolades are achieved.

The meeting room applauded Sarah's efforts on the website and everyone thought she had done a marvelous job.

5) Sports:

Chris mentioned multiple softball leagues (IGP summer league and a Thursday night (6:30-8:30pm) league) for which he sent out a detailed email today. Students who wish to participate should come up with witty team names to bring to the table before throwing their hats into the ring to play ball. My contribution is Paul Bunyan's Axons.

Chris also mentioned a Parkinson's 5K run/walk on April 2nd (also in his detailed email). [REGISTER HERE](#)

A sports captain was proposed but no volunteers came forward to take the role.

6) Next meeting:

Meeting date is April 19th after the final 7887 class.

At the next meeting, we will discuss potential times for NGSO meetings during the summer.

Chris adjourns the meeting.