



## **PHHP Diversity Committee**

### **Meeting Summary**

**October 12, 2015**

**9:00-10:00 am**

**HPNP 4102**

Present: M. Amaya, A. Blue, A. Burne, B. Dermott, R. Degener, C. Friedel, S. Hardy, A. Ladendorf, M. Laitner, C. Rush, and K. Vaddiparti

1. PHHP Open House follow-up – Brigit reported on the results of a survey of attendees. Overall the feedback was very positive and it was agreed that the committee will host this event again next year. It was suggested that including the undergraduate organizations in the tabling is an effective means of keeping students connected following the event. It was also suggested that we invite juniors who might be interested in the dual degree program.
2. Website – Claudia Friedel agreed to join the work group for the website.
3. PHHP Diversity Day
  - a. Posters: It was agreed that Dr. Vaddiparti, Melissa Laitner and Dr. Blue will review the abstracts and provide feedback as necessary. Michelle Heeg, Caronne Rush and Dr. Vaddiparti will judge the posters at the event.
4. Cultural Competence Workshop –Brigit Dermott will send out an announcement this week.
5. Review of Action Plan
  - a. Recruitment and retention of diverse student body: several ideas were raised to reach out to underserved high school students including the GHS Institute of Health Professions, the Center for Independent Living, and program that connects UF students with HS students from immigrant families.
  - b. Foster an environment of cultural competence: It was suggested that experience based cultural competence activities are effective. The committee also discussed cultural competence as it relates to global health