

PHHP Diversity Committee

Meeting Summary

August 11, 2014

9:00-10:00 am

HPNP 4102

Present: A. Ali, B. Dermott, C. Ewing, C. Toth, M. Troche, K. Vaddiparti, L. Vostrejs, and N. Whitehead

1. Welcome to new members and review of Action Grid.
 - a. Suggested improvements to HealthCare Summer Institute included hosting mini seminars / case studies in particular careers in addition to the overview. Also agreed that fact sheets about careers would be beneficial. AP: Brigit will arrange a meeting with organizers in January to start planning PHHP participation. AP: Brigit will develop a template for the fact sheets.
 - b. Cindy Toth reported that she is interested in expanding the program with urban high schools beyond Tampa Tech. Committee suggested incorporating the international travel possibilities in public health careers into the information provided to students.
 - c. Cultural competence modules for public health course. Dr. Vaddiparti reported that revisions to Intro to Public Health have been postponed until the fall, which allows more time to develop modules. It was suggested the definition of competence be expanded to include global / international perspective. It was agreed that that purpose of the modules is to establish foundational knowledge; departments are responsible for supplementing any discipline specific materials.
2. Diversity Day. Dr. Troche provided information about the proposed speaker, Dr. Juan Gilbert, and it was agreed that he will be an excellent speaker. Dr. Troche also presented the planned schedule of events. . Cindy Toth reported that the panelists from last Diversity Day have agreed to participate, and Dr. Allyson Hall will either participate or moderate. It was agreed that best posters will be selected and certificates awarded. The poster session working group will act as judges. AP: Brigit will send out save the date and call for posters in the first week of September.
3. Next meeting: September 15, 2014