

Minutes

MI-ASM Conference Call , July 25, 2012

Meeting called to order by Audra: 3:06 PM, EDT

Present: Jen Hess, Audra Swarthout, Steve Gorsich, Judy Hudson, Alan Hudson, Jim VandenBosch, Kris Baumgarten, Sue Bagley, Joan Rose

Fall meeting: Weber Inn—free parking and no cost for renting the room, but we will pay for food.

- How good would the A/V be for the Weber Inn? Jim or Mike would have to check it out.

- Nanobio—Judy has been in contact with a researcher. Corporate sponsorship? If they sponsored, would they have a say in where the meeting would be? Judy thinks no, but this could still be discussed.

- Which would be faster?

- October 6th sounds good, but can we get Weber Inn? Or should we go with Delta College? And we don't have to pay for room rental there.

- The 19th and 20th of October would be better at Delta. (The faculty prefer this date, but room availability might be limited.)

- Jim called Weber's: someone else has a tentative booking for 10/6. We are tentatively booked on 10/27. The other two weekends in October in are open. The rooms are booked, but there's another hotel nearby.

- The food all together would be about \$3000.

Speakers?

- One person who is working on treating biofilms with nanotechnology: Dr. Smeltzer from Arkansas.

- We probably have expertise within the state, too. Nanobio personnel? Judy's contact will be invited; perhaps Jim Baker would present, but probably not.

- We'll probably need three speakers for the meeting.

- Audra will contact Dr. Smeltzer.

- We'll set the availability in October weekends based on the availability of the proposed keynote speaker.

Student chapters/money from national?

- Student chapters can discuss this with John Geiser.

Raise the cost by \$5 as per John Geiser's email from 7/25?

- We will raise the student cost by \$5, but students could get a discount by registering prior to one week before the meeting.

- The participants are in unanimous agreement with this suggestion.

We'll finish this planning via email.

Conference call was ended at 3:44 PM EDT.