DDSA Meeting

23 February 2010

Present: John Laugesen, Christa Austin, Andrew Carrothers, Nicole Wagner

1. Social Events
   i. Monthly pub night – next one February 25, 2010. John will book the Phoenix
   ii. Bulldogs game – February 27, 2010 (Saturday) against the Rochester Americans
      • 22 people are confirmed – great response! John is handing out the tickets this week.

2. John issued summary (by email on January 30, 2010) of the DDSA accomplishments so far this academic year.

3. Lunch and Learns
   i. February – John has completed the planning. Date: Friday February 26, 2010 – 11:30am to 1:30pm. DSB 505. Presenter: Hamed Saremi. Subject: TSSEM – re: testing models using meta-analysis. 25 people have committed to attending. Lunch will be provided
   ii. March – Christa to organize. Date: Friday March 26, 2010 – 11:30am to 12:30pm. DSB A102. – Confirmed: Teal McAteer. Subject: Effective Teaching….. Details on “teaching Track” option.

   Be sure to mark your calendars!!

4. Research Day – late April – logical extension to the lunch and learns… after exams and before comprehensives. Nicole has agreed to lead the planning for this day with help from the DDSA executive (and others)
   i. 8 to 12 presenters – approx 30 minutes each….. plan to take advantage of this opportunity to hone your presentation in a friendly environment.
   ii. Invite profs (generally well attended)

5. DDSA Finances
   i. Rahman (secretary/treasurer) transferred the carryover funds from last year. The prior year balance carry forward is $33.56

6. Committee Representation
   i. Faculty Business Meeting – Steve W.
   ii. Senate – Christa
   iii. GCPC graduate curriculum policy committee – Akanksha
   iv. GSA – FRC faculty representative council – Andrew
v. Union Steward – vacant.

Other

The DDSA meetings are open to all DeGroote doctoral students. Plan to attend the next meeting – your DDSA executive would welcome more active participation.

Meeting Adjourned