**PPDA Feb. 2023 Board Meeting Agenda (02/09/2023, 4-5 pm)**

**Location:** BRWN 4106

**Attendee:** Alex, Tu, Subhadeep, Dezhi

1. **Constitution amendment (Tu)**

Summary of main proposed changes

* Reduce the maximum number of council members from 20 to 12
* Limit the council membership to a maximum of 3 years
* Limit the presidentship and vice presidentship to a maximum of 2 years
* Revise the responsibilities of council members
* Other proposed changes are still encouraged
* Details: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wkC4hpWZ3Gxjf6SANN6Hfn7hhOWZzgMUUp40u3HP290/edit#](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1wkC4hpWZ3Gxjf6SANN6Hfn7hhOWZzgMUUp40u3HP290/edit)
1. **Comments on postdoc’s transition to industry seminar (Tauqeer, Subhadeep, Alex)**

Event went well. Feedback from the audience was good. Around 40 attendees.

To improve our next event:

* Add the zoom link on the flyer. Some postdocs wanted to attend and were not able to register and could not attend the event.
* Due to the high number of questions from the audience. We should schedule a 1.5 hour event for the next event.
* Check that the different emails that are sent from Purdue mention the PPDA as the organizing association.
1. **Updates of office ergonomics talk (Shamila)**
2. **Email system for postdoc’s sharing information (Dezhi)**

Lisa agreed to have such a system. We need to think about how to launch, advertise and monitor it.

1. **Academic events plan this year (Tauqeer, Alex)**

Academic job application series:

Tauqeer can contact Daniel Gonzales who is starting a new laboratory. Subhadeep can also contact a scientist starting a new laboratory. Planning date has to be confirmed.

Academic fellowships:

Alex will organize an event in April to present Marie Curie-Sklodowska Action fellowship for Postdocs. Alex will contact current fellows from different fields.

1. **Other topics:**
2. Upload minutes to website (Dezhi prepare, Elvita help to upload)
3. Transition to next generation: help next generation to be familiar with their responsibilities.
4. Determine if it is relevant to organize a visa seminar for Postdocs in addition to the ones already organized by Purdue.
5. Start to follow up on our buddy system to determine if they are happy with this system?