



SMAB Meeting Agenda
Science and Math Advisory Board



Date: Saturday, March 31, 2012
Place: S115 (Science Building)
Time: 9:00 am

Opening devotional & prayer (David Hammond)

Introductions (Board, Faculty)

Review & Approval of Minutes (Board)

Agenda Items:

1. State of the University (Dr. John Russell)
2. Status of Action Items:
 - a. Notify John P. that Bliznak & St. Clair approved as new members (Weldon)
 - b. Notify Max & Leann that terms on board approved for another 3 years (John M.)
 - c. Research & revise the WOH guidelines (David)
 - d. Details of spring trip to A & M (Wayne K. & Jim S.)
 - e. Larry Sharp to contact John M. re possible pre-med trip (Alicia)
 - f. Other possible technologies for meetings; Web-X?; contact Robby in CS (Elaine)
3. Dean's Report (Alicia)
4. Financial Report / Bloomer Award funds (Alicia)
5. Departmental Activities (fall meeting only)
6. Friends of the Board (Carol)
7. Membership/Nomination Committee Report (John P.)
 - nominations due fall 2012, need 4 new members to reach full membership of 21
8. Event Planning (standard items)
 - a. Wall of Honor status & plans - (David)
 - b. Nobel Event - speaker search; also consider speakers other than Nobel (Max)
 - c. Charles Bloomer Award nominations - (Elaine)
 - board vote on nominations; award presented April 21
 - d. Student Events
 - A&M nuclear facility & observatory (Jim, Wayne K, Alicia)
 - Pre-med trip to Scott & White (John M, Larry Sharp)
 - Engineering Week trip options (Elaine)
 - Consider repeats of Hammond, Wynn, NASA trips
 - Other possible student interactions
 - e. Bloomer Ranch social, Fall 2012 (Carol)

New Business:

1. Next meeting - Fall 2012

Committees

Nobel Laureate Committee

- ✓ Max Wynn (chair)
- ✓ Weldon Bailey
- ✓ Colby Stone
- ✓ Gary Wilson
- ✓ Elaine Harmon (helper!)

Suggested Speakers by Max Wynn

- ✓ ~~Hamilton Smith, MD~~
(will not be able to speak)
- ✓ John Deisenhofer, PhD
Nobel for solving the most complex membrane protein complex for the photosynthetic reaction center (1989); background in physics, math, & biology.
- ✓ Bruce Boitler (sp)
Nobel in Medicine, Immunology

New Thoughts (Oct 2011 mtg)

- ✓ discontinue Nobel Series
- ✓ replace with other relevant & passionate speakers such as Bill Gates, Mort Zuckerman, etc.

Membership / Nominations Committee

- ✓ John Pemberton (chair)
- ✓ Elaine Harmon
- ✓ Weldon Bailey

Suggested New Members

- ✓ Christie Crim, Melvin Griffin (physics), Ron Henderson, Ralph Turner (74), Mike Powell, Doug McEwen (01), Donna Jean (Anderson) Fredeen, Sarah Hardwick

Wall of Honor Committee

- ✓ David Hammond
- ✓ Weldon Bailey

Friends Committee

- ✓ Carol Perry (chair)

Suggested Friends

- ✓ Chris & Kayla Dean

Events & Schreules

Bloomer Award (per SMAB Mar 2011)

- ✓ applications submitted to the dean each spring, (the dean determines the date)
- ✓ applications sent to Elaine for review to ensure criteria met
- ✓ Elaine sends acceptable applications to John to distribute to the board for review & vote
- ✓ The Dean presents the award at a scheduled student event

Departmental Reports (per SMAB Mar 2011)

- ✓ to be submitted in writing before the fall meeting
- ✓ questions discussed at the meeting, no formal report
- ✓ no reports at the spring meeting

Student Lunch (per SMAB Mar 2011)

- ✓ immediately after the fall meeting each year

Bloomer Social

- ✓ Saturday evening after the fall meeting in even numbered years