

Meeting Minutes – August 24th, 2012

- 1) Welcome Back BBQ (Courtney and Stephanie)
 - Trevor's backyard will be the venue (on Hamilton St. North of Princess)
 - Anticipating 70 to 80 people will show up, ordering 100 burgers
 - Asked Joanne for the number of graduate students in the department (120-150)
 - Will be requesting an RSVP by email, and this is when you can request vegetarian options
 - Discussions about the budget (will ask Mel for 300\$) Ally will ask Mel what he can contribute
 - Will email around a volunteer sign-up sheet for helping out with the BBQ (cutting up vegetables and leading people from Grad club to Trevor's house)
 - Orientation will be at 4PM (Catherine has contacted both Bob and Joanne) followed by the Grad Club and BBQ beginning at 6:30PM

- 2) Elbow Lake Weekend (Courtney and Stephanie)
 - Proposed for a weekend in late Sept or October (Sept 29th)
 - 36\$/cabin about 10\$ per person, would be a pot luck
 - Need to talk to Steve about the availability first

- 3) 1DegreeBio Meeting
 - Voted to go ahead with this event (unanimous)
 - Would be a good event for the non- EEB crowd and are considering choosing a speaker from the department or something similar to the Carleton BEERS and invite someone from another school
 - Will mention to Cat to contact Anna (the rep)

- 4) RA Unionization Information meeting
 - Think this meeting is a good idea, several people have gotten emails from the people trying to organize the union and we agreed it would be best to take a unified approach for this and discuss at the next meeting (ie. None of us are meeting with them until we have discussed this at length and have been properly informed)
 - Hold an info session with the Union reps in October

- 5) Niraj resigned as Staff and Faculty Rep, his position as well as the others that are empty will be advertised at the next meeting in September

- 6) RTP News- Kim worked on some adjunct stuff during the summer, 2 faculty positions advertised right now: Roz is on one committee (Integrative cell biologist) and Kim on the other (Environmental physiologist), Tim Burt is the 202 coordinator, tenure applications this year (Nelson and Martin), will keep updated throughout the year

- 7) SGPS (Trevor and Kate) – no news

- 8) Graduate Committee (Eric) - no news

- 9) Donya (Academic Coordinator) suggested that we look into funding to travel and present our research at other schools, or funding to bring other people here, like we did for the BEERS seminar. Carleton students had funding to come here, agreed it was worth looking into

- 10) QUBS rep, Vanya (absent) – no news