

AGSIP Executive Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2023

AGSIP Constitution

- Going to update the constitution for this year's AGM
 - Clear outline of role & time commitment
- Easier to join AGSIP if there is a clear idea about the responsibilities for a specific role
- Opportunity to ask for funding for area specific activities
 - E.g., coffee for a working session within an area

AGSIP Knowledge Sharing

- Working on a platform to keep all AGSIP information
 - E.g., constitution, exec meeting minutes, area meeting minutes & rep updates

EDI Committee Update

- Want to avoid overlap between AGSIP and EDI initiatives
- Current EDI initiative: GRFs for equity deserving groups
 - There is concern that the increased minimum funding could disadvantage equity deserving groups
 - GRFs can be included on one's CV
 - Potential for more student input through EDI committee
 - Implement and get immediate feedback from students that are impacted – does this meet the need?
 - Various concerns will be addressed in the proposal stage

Funding Updates

- Funding proposal has passed within department
- Going to be supporting and communicating university-wide initiatives
 - Rally February 7th at 11am
- Ongoing communication at department meetings
 - Always looking for more transparency about how funding decisions are made (varies across labs)
- New funding database
 - List of all available resources – shared across whole department
 - Start developing this summer (more free time to work on this)
- Conference coverage
 - Can get an advance to help cover credit card bills
 - Talk to Janessa about coverage

Open House Updates

- Friday March 3rd
- Lunch, research showcase, and dinner
 - Call for volunteers for the research showcase – present poster from previous conference

- Plan to elaborate on the research showcase in future years
 - Submit abstract
 - Science communication line on CV
 - Funds to cover the cost of poster printing