

Neuroscience Graduate Students' Association  
Meeting Minutes **Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012.**

10:30am Good Earth Coffee House

Attendance: Ian Surdhar (President), Scott Travis (VP Secretary), Curtis Benson (VP Treasurer), Nina Weishaupt, Caitlin Hurd, Camille Olechowski, Craig Sherstan, Andrea Shafer

Approved meeting minutes for January 6th, 2011.

**Neuroscience Research Day News**

- ∞ Bernice Sist is putting on a lunch with keynote speaker Dr. Michael Graziano on the 25<sup>th</sup> at noon. All students are invited, and an invitation was sent out by Megan.
- ∞ Ian brought a list of neuroscience classes that we can advertise at next week. Volunteers signed up to visit classes before they begin and give students a brief outline of the event, why we're excited to have such a great keynote speaker, and that this is a great opportunity to see what kind of research is done in the Centre.

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes:**

Physl 210B – Saswati Das  
8:00 TEL 150

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9:00 ETL E1 001

Psyco 403 – Fred Colbourne – GOMATHI?  
10:00 ESB 133

Psyco 472 – Peter Smith - CURTIS  
11:00 ED 276

Pmcol 202 – Peter Smith - CURTIS  
1:00 ED N2 115

Pmcol 344 – Frances Plane - CRAIG  
1:00 ED 254

Pmcol 412 – Simonetta Sipione - SABINE  
2:00 ED 129

Psyco 375 – Jeremy Caplan - IAN  
2:00 BS-M 145

Psyco 275 – Dallas Treit - IAN  
3:00 CCIS 440

**Tuesday and Thursday classes:**

PSYCI 511 – Esther Fujiwara – SCOTT  
8:00 CS2 117

Neuro 410 – Satyabrata Kar – CAITLIN AND NINA  
9:30 DP 2023

Physl 372 – Arthur Prochazka - CRAIG  
9:30 MS 227

Psyco 475 – Kathryn Todd - SCOTT  
11:00 SAB 331 (building south of cab)

Psyco 365 – Karsten Loepelmann - IAN  
12:30 CCIS 1 140

Neuro 201 – Keir Pearson - SCOTT  
12:30 CS2-117

Psyco 377 – Anthony Singhal - ANDREA  
2:00 CCIS L1 140

- ∞ The Centre has requested that we print off a full program the day of, rather than the abridged version we had intended without abstracts. Curtis will investigate printing options.
- ∞ The Centre has agreed to contribute \$550 to the event. This will cover the cost of poster boards and tables, keynote and student lunch on the 25<sup>th</sup>, dinner at Earl's on the 25<sup>th</sup>, coffee on NRD, and Honourarium for Graziano.
- ∞ Curtis reported that the SfN grant for NRD is in.
- ∞ Scott has got some volunteers for setting up and/or tearing down the tables, chairs and poster boards on the 26<sup>th</sup>. So far, Sabine, Camille, Craig, Kam, Yvonne, Melanie, Nina, and Caitlin have volunteered.
- ∞ We've put out a call for a few extra posters if people have them, from presenters and NSA members, to better fill the poster presentation time. We anticipate having a total of 40 posters on the day.
- ∞ On Tuesday the NRD schedule and abstracts were sent to other departments to send in their newsletter emails. As well, NRD appears in the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry calendar.
- ∞ Curtis and Camille are going to pick up the food on the morning of the 26<sup>th</sup>.
- ∞ The Centre has let students know that attendance at NRD is mandatory. As such we will be taking a registration/attendance at the front as students come in. It will also be required to have posters up by 9:30, before the oral presentations begin. Scott or Megan will send out a reminder of the setup closer to the date, and include that presenters should have their presentations loaded on the computer before they start in both the morning and evening sessions.
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### **Miscellaneous News.**

- ∞ NSA has invited us out to play laser tag on the Tue, 28 February, 18:00 – 19:00, at Gateway Entertainment Center: 3414 Gateway Boulevard Northwest, Edmonton, AB (780) 435-1922
- ∞ Andrea has been working on getting speakers in for the Neuroscience Seminars. It's difficult because you must apply for the funding AFTER asking the speaker if they are free. ANNAE is a fund to bring speakers in from Alberta, the MS network can bring in MS speakers from across the country. After NRD, Scott has volunteered to help out more with this.

Next meeting is after NRD on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012, at 10:30 in the Good Earth Café.