

Minutes – Dose-Response Specialty Group

Monthly Tele-meeting November 4, 2008, 12-1 pm EST

Conference call attendees: Sara Henry, Dale Hattis, Linda Teuschler, Julie Fitzpatrick, Jeff Gift, Paul Schlosser, Gary Foureman

1) Approval of minutes from last meeting.

Minutes were read from the Oct 7, 2008 meeting and were approved with one correction. It was noted that Paul Feder, not Gary Foureman, had nominated Paul Schlosser for Chair Elect; this correction has been made.

Minutes were read from the May 6, 2008 meeting and were approved.

Paul Schlosser requested that these minutes be sent to him as well as the April 1, 2008 minutes for posting to the Website.

2) Treasurer's report. Sara has received this from SRA main office. The current balance is \$5945.42.

3) Election of officers for 2009

Sara sent out an email on 10/30/08, announcing our nominations for officers and asking for additional nominations by 11/7/08. She put forth the following in the email:

Dr. Paul Feder, of Battelle, this year's Chair-Elect, will be **Chair for 2009** and **Dr. Patricia Toccalino**, of the US Geological Survey, is **Vice Chair**. This year we are nominating the following persons:

Chair-elect: Dr. Jeff Gift of NCA/EPA

Secretary/Treasurer: Ms. Julie Fitzpatrick of ILSI

Trustee at Large (to finish out the remaining one year of Dr. Gift's two-year term): Dr. Nagu Keshava, of NCEA/EPA

Trustee: Dr Kenny Crump of ICF Consulting

We noted that we are in violation of the bylaws which require 30 days for additional nominees. We are just making the 30 day requirement for the election. The 2009 Chair needs to be careful about this next year. We also noted that we should call for nominations in the Risk Newsletter.

4) Uncertain status of mixer at Annual Meeting in Boston.

SRA is discouraging specialty group mixers, but we don't see any real conflicts. Our mixers are successful and we would like to continue them. Sara will continue to try and get SRA to agree and will keep us posted on the mixer. We authorized Sara to spend \$\$

for the mixer using her good judgment; it is possible SRA will not give us any \$\$ this year.

We may not have entertainment because of the uncertainty. There is no student award.

The poster needs to be updated – Sara will do this and also request an easel or roll of tape to post this at the business meeting and at the mixer.

5) Business meeting at Annual Meeting and introduction of officers for 2008 as well as 2009.

Paul Feder will be running the meeting which is Monday Dec. 8 at noon, room to be announced in the SRA program.

Agenda Items

- Introduce 2008/2009 officers.
- Ask for suggestions for 2010 teleseminars.
- Announce DRSG-sponsored events

Sara requested that all of us advertise the Poster-Platform session to people we know,

We want to make up and send around a flyer to DRSG members of the sponsored events. Jeff Gift will do this with Paul Schlosser's help.

6) New members workshop

New members workshop is on Sunday, Dec 7, 2008. Dale will present for us and use info from our poster to put together materials together. SRA is sponsoring this. Purpose to introduce new members to the specialty groups.