SRA Dose Response Specialty Group
Business Meeting
October 2, 2012
Attending: Julie Fitzpatrick, Kan Shao, Peter McClure, Sara Henry, George Woodall, Jeff Gift, Allan Davis, John Christopher, Paul Schlosser, Resha Putzrath

1. August meeting notes: Draft notes for the August 7, 2012 meeting were approved.

2. Treasurer’s Report (June-September 2012):
   
   Beginning Balance (June 30, 2012): $8,451.02
   Income (dues): $135.00
   Expenses: $2,000.00 (J. Fitzpatrick’s travel to World Congress on Risk)
   Ending Balance (September 30, 2012): $6,586.02

3. Update on 2012 Teleseminar Series: Julie Fitzpatrick reported that three teleseminars have been presented this year, and a fourth will probably not occur.
   
   2. June 4: Evaluating the Plausibility of Estrogen Receptors as Mediators of BPA Toxicity in the Context of Human Serum Concentrations of Unconjugated BPA. Justin Teeguarden, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

4. Increasing Student and Academic participation in DRSG and SRA: At the August meeting, DRSG members discussed ideas to increase student and academic participation in DRSG and SRA. A letter (drafted by Peg Coleman) was sent to incoming SRA president, George Gray, outlining a new initiatives proposal to engage academics, particularly students, in DRSG and SRA activities. George Gray replied that such a proposal would have the attention of the council and asked about the breadth of the proposal. These issues were discussed further.

   It was agreed that a new initiatives proposal will be written by a group of DRSG members in October. The group will include Kan Shao, Sara Henry. George Woodall will contact Peg Coleman and Lynne Haber to see if they will be in the group. The proposal will be distributed to DRSG members before the November 6 DRSG meeting. The plan is to present the proposal at the December meetings of the SRA Council and the Specialty Group chairs.

   Other ideas discussed included direct contact of the SOT pre-doctoral student group informing them of SRA and DRSG activities and the student presentation award, and extending invitations to specific academic advisors (such as George Gray) to have their students present at the SRA annual meetings or in the DRSG teleseminar series.
5. Upcoming Election for DRSG officers (Secretary/Treasurer; Trustee-at-Large; Chair-elect): George Woodall will send out a call for nominations in October. Elections will be held in November. John Christopher recommended seeking a slate of DRSG officers with a balance of professional affiliations (government, industry, consulting, academic) and trying to have at least one officer with membership in SOT's Risk Assessment Specialty group (to keep abreast of overlapping interests with DRSG).

6. Mixer Plans For San Francisco meeting: George Woodall will confirm that DRSG will partner with the Exposure SG. No information has been distributed yet on options for the menu. It was agreed that the November meeting will be a better time to discuss specific mixer plans including food choices, presentation topic (e.g., entertainment or overviews of SG goals?), and the DRSG Poster update.

Prepared by Peter McClure