

Minutes of DRSG Meeting

3 May 2022

Prepared by Dustin Kapraun

Participants:

- Andrew Williams, Chair
- Michael Dzierlenga, Vice Chair
- ???, Chair Elect
- Scott Auerbach, Past Chair
- Dustin Kapraun, Secretary/Treasurer
- Allen Davis, Trustee-at-Large
- Sarah Davidson, Trustee-at-Large
- ???, Graduate Student/Postdoctoral Representative
- Jeffry Dean
- Peg Coleman
- Paul Schlosser
- Weihsueh Chiu
- Bidya Prasad

Agenda Items

(Action items are highlighted.)

- Dustin Kapraun nominated Bidya Prasad for the (vacant) student/postdoc representative officer position. Andrew will send a ballot to full DRSG membership.
- **Vacant position – DRSG Chair Elect.** This officer is responsible for organizing webinars for the coming year (2022). Paul Schlosser contacted Paul White (on 4/5/2022) about this, but he has not responded. Scott Auerbach proposed Jeff Gift. Scott will contact Jeff Gift.
- Dustin contacted Sarah Davidson, Trustee-at-Large – She has not attended the last several DRSG meetings. She will not attend meetings in the future if they occur at the regular time slot because she has a conflict.
- Andrew may poll membership about adjusting regular meeting time.
- **Speakers for next webinar.**
 - Jose Cortinas (EFSA) – Model averaging, [paper](#) on unification modeling of continuous and dichotomous dose-response data in a Bayesian framework. Scott asked Matt Wheeler to reach out to Jose Cortinas about this. He followed up again on 5/3/2022. Scott will let officers know if he receives a response. Tentatively, the presentation could occur after summer.
 - Amanda Bernstein (EPA) won the student/postdoc award. Perhaps she could speak about her work? Dustin asked Amanda about presenting a webinar, and she agreed. Dustin will ask Amanda if she can present on 6/7/2022 or mid-July or mid-August or later?

- Weihsueh suggested (at a previous meeting) that we consider University of Nevada authors of two posters presented at the SOT Annual Meeting about nonlinear dose response relationships. He sent an email with more details. The authors are L. Li and D. Li of University of Nevada Reno, and the posters are entitled “Addressing Inter-individual Variabilities in Human Exposure and Toxicological Susceptibility in Environmental Risk and Impact Assessments” and “Population Variation and Nonlinear Dose-Response Relationship in Assessing Human Health Impact from Chemicals: Addressing Uncertainties in Exposure and Susceptibility”.
- **DRSG Financial Information.** In December 2021, Dustin contacted Burke, Inc., to request status of DRSG financial accounts. In 4/15/2022, he received some information from Laurie Mullins. According to her, DRSG has a fund balance of \$22,930.47 as of 3/31/2022. There may be some outstanding credits or debits to be processed. Dustin is awaiting further details.
- Perhaps we should begin encouraging SRA and DRSG members to apply for DRSG student travel awards and to begin planning for the 2022 SRA Annual Meeting. Contact SRA about using Newsletter for this? Bidya offered to create a draft poster that could be shared to make these announcements. Paul offered to share previous “flyers” that were used for this purpose. He shared this in the chat: https://www.sra.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/DRSG_Student_Award_2020.pdf.
- Peg proposed that we could attempt to host a virtual event to recruit members.
- **Joint session with the Applied Risk Management Specialty Group (ARMSG).**
 - ARMSG is looking for input from DRSG to identify joint perspectives for the improvement and application of the Risk Analysis Quality Test (RAQT). Andrew, Paul, Peg, and Weihsueh met with ARMSG on 4/12/2022 to discuss this possibility. Unclear if the joint session will materialize. DRSG will provide comments and examples for the RAQT. Link to the RAQT <https://www.sra.org/resources/risk-analysis-quality-test/>
 - Peg says they have an Excel spreadsheet version of the RAQT. Peg is planning to submit a session proposal to ARMSG related to RAQT and microbial risk analysis.
 - Andrew and Peg think there is not a strong need for DRSG to do more.
 - Andrew has, however, been working with ARMSG to evaluate and offer suggestions for RAQT.
- **There was some discussion of posting old webinars on a YouTube site.** We can post slides from webinar presentations (as PDFs) on the DRSG website. We can inquire if they can also post video. Andrew has inquired with Burke about options but hasn’t received a response. Andrew will follow up (again) and report back to us at the next meeting.