Minutes for the February 13, 2024 Hazard and Dose-Response Specialty Group (HDRSG)

1. Discussion on open positions:
   a. The chair elect position is still open. Although it is technically a one-year position, it is preferable to find someone willing to run for chair next year. The group will continue to send meeting agendas and minutes to the membership to remind them of the vacancy and encourage applicants.
   b. There is still a need for a student or post-doc liaison. A few HDRSG members are accepting new students and post-docs this year that may serve as potential candidates for the position.
   c. Trustees from last year will be asked if they would like to continue as trustees for this year.

2. Annual meeting planning:
   a. Abstract submission has not yet opened for this year's meeting.
   b. A suggestion was made to advertise at local universities in the Austin area. This increases visibility and possible recruitment of new members because of the opportunity for students to attend the meeting without travel costs.
   c. The proposal for a joint symposium with the Advanced Materials Specialty Group was revisited. A joint symposium would be beneficial since there are many areas of overlap between the two specialty groups.

3. March webinar:
   a. There is a potential for collaboration with Advanced Materials. They haven't had their first meeting yet and need to get approval from the group before agreeing; therefore, the soonest webinar collaboration can begin is in April.
   b. Post-doctoral students were discussed as possible presenters. It would add visibility to their work.
   c. A call to membership asking for potential speakers was suggested.
   d. The webinar in March will serve as the next monthly meeting.

4. Website updates:
   a. Website updates are needed on several pages including the executive committee page, minutes, logo and name of the specialty group, and by-laws.
   b. The member with access to the HDRSG webpage needs to be updated.

5. Next meeting will be on March 19th from 12-1 pm.