

CSAM-SMCA Conference Committee Meeting

June 2, 2021 – 6:00pm MST

Minutes

Present: D. Martell P. Sobey J. Brasch M. Willows A. Marmel
A. Warnock R. Fraser N. Ali B. Hebert (recorder)

Call to Order: 6:02pm MST – D. Martell

Adoption of Agenda:

- No additions to the agenda

Review of Last Meeting Minutes May 5, 2021 (Appendix #1)

- Minutes from the last meeting have been reviewed and approved

D. Martell makes a motion to accept the minutes from May 5, 2021

Seconded by: P. Sobey

New Business:

1. Conference Update (abstract submissions, marketing, sponsorship, registration)
 - 18 individuals registered
 - Abstracts:
 - i. 7 completed
 - ii. 21 pending
 - iii. Make a list of university affiliations and academic lists to circulate to
 1. B. Hebert to make a google doc with information
 - Marketing is on track – waiting for conference content to move forward
 - Sponsorship: Campaign has started
 - i. Indivior (platinum sponsor) is finalizing the process and has our invite letter and agreement for signature
2. Plenary Speakers
 - George Koob – Confirmed
 - Julian Somers – Confirmed
 - Helena Hansen – No response
 - i. Will not try to contact again
 - Other Plenary Speaker Options:
 - i. Nel Weiman – P. Sobey to ask for recommendations
 - ii. Richard Wagamese – Author

1. Context of recovery and healing etc.
 - iii. Someone from a healing lodge
 - iv. Jesse Thistle – Author of from the ashes - D. Martell to reach out
 - v. Tanya Talaga – Author of 7 fallen feathers P. Sobey to reach out
 - vi. Robyn Walkimmer – Author of Braiding Sweet Grass
 - vii. Section of Indigenous health providers in Nova Scotia – D. Martell ask for recommendations
 - Time of Plenaries:
 - i. Plenaries will start at 11:00am EST each day
 - Closing Keynote:
 - i. Will it be attended
 - ii. Will the individual asked be offended?
 - iii. Classic approach of having plenary speakers present in the morning
 - iv. May add a closing keynote if something arises closes to the conference that is interesting and topical
3. Social Activities
- Trivia – A. Marmel
 - i. Latest available time to run the trivia event is 6:30pm EST.
 - ii. Committee confirmed the date of Thursday October 21st, 6:30pm EST
 - iii. Conference attendees will not be charged to attend the event (included in registration)
 - iv. A. Marmel to connect with B. Hebert about deposit
4. CCSA Donation – P. Sobey
- CCSA has donated \$5,000
 - Is there a means of collaborating with CCSA again?
 - i. Invite them to give a symposium of their choice
 - ii. Practice norms in residential treatment centres (CSAM-SMCA Policy Committee partnership)
 - iii. Recognition of the collaborate efforts
 - iv. D. Martell to contact A. Porath about this donation and offer a symposium spot
 1. Give B. Hebert information for obtaining donation
5. Session Topics
- CMA presenting content on physician wellness in the context of dual pandemics
6. Diversity – A. Marmel
- Shared an article about ways you can integrate diversity goals into your planning
 - B. Hebert to hold onto the article and use it for future conference committees
 - Increases our awareness and provides practical advice on how to approach this
 - Pay your speakers

- i. Add to agenda of next meeting – what should we pay speakers?
 - 1. \$1500-\$2000
 - Not written as an academic institution format, written as advice
 - i. We will continue to look for frameworks to follow
 - Figure out a way to offer more space for people with lived and living experience
 - i. Have someone with lived experience sit on the committee
 - ii. Include more voices
 - iii. Inclusion in planning committee
 - iv. Expand our awards (etc. advocacy)
 - <https://hbr.org/2019/09/what-it-will-take-to-improve-diversity-at-conferences#>

7. Fundamentals

- Ticket Price
 - i. General Ticket \$100 (stand-alone)
 - ii. Trainees \$75 (stand-alone)
 - iii. If a trainee is registered for the CSAM-SMCA conference they can attend Fundamentals at no- charge
- Platform
 - i. Our options are either to build out a webpage or work from the Hubilo platform
 - 1. B. Hebert to look at pricing options
 - ii. Want to make a good impression with Fundamentals as it is before the CSAM-SMCA conference
 - iii. Committee would like to use the Hubilo platform
 - iv. To be signed off with Dave and Paul
- Speaker Registration
 - i. Free conference registration for Fundamental Speakers

Next Meeting: July 7, 2021 @ 6:00pm MST

Adjournment: 7:03pm MST – D. Martell

Action Items:

D. Martell

- Contact Indigenous health providers in Nova Scotia for plenary speaker recommendations
- Contact Jesse Thistle for plenary speaker option
- Contribute to the call for abstracts distribution list
- Follow up with the CCSA donation and offer them a symposium spot

P. Sobey

- Contact Tanya Talaga for plenary speaker option
- Contact Nel Weiman for plenary speaker recommendations

A. Marmel

- Book Trivia night for Thursday, October 21, @ 6:30pm EST

B. Hebert

- Give P. Sobey and D. Martell access to review the abstracts
- Connect with A. Marmel for Trivia deposit
- Connect with CCSA to receive donation
- Cost analysis for Fundamental platform