

COSMOS TEAM MEETING MINUTES
February 14, 2008, 12:00pm-1:30pm
Room 246 Math Science

Attendees:

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| 1. Ballone Duran, Lena | 10. Klinger, Michelle |
| 2. Belcher, Jessica | 11. Meel, David |
| 3. Duran, Emilio | 12. Messersmith, Stephania |
| 4. Gallagher, Deb | 13. Midden, Bob |
| 5. Haney, Jodi | 14. Moses, Barbara |
| 6. Heddle, Mandy | 15. Nurnberger-Haag, Julie |
| 7. Hoose, Nancy | 16. Shafer, Michelle |
| 8. Huziak-Clark, Tracy | 17. Underwood, Eileen |
| 9. Laird, John | 18. Worch, Rick |

I. Announcements

- A. Members were reminded to complete Professional Outreach and Publication/Presentation forms; the forms are now available on the COSMOS website:
<http://cosmos.bgsu.edu/communities/COSMOSteam/COSMOSteam.htm>
- B. ODE Seed Grant (Michelle K): Was submitted 2/13 (πr^2). State will fund four proposals. On 2/13, Jodi was contacted by UT about a possible collaboration, but proposal had already been submitted. If funded, possibly collaborate with UT.
- C. Emilio announced that Keith Hall's last day at ODE is February 15.
- D. Women In Science (Julie): Could use more math presenters.
- E. Middle School Visit (Julie): Admissions Office is sponsoring tours for middle school students on April 3 and 8. Looking for volunteers to provide 45-60 minute hands-on STEM activity. Julie will email details. Possibly GAs could be used. Discussion was held on creating a STEM Student Board made up of two members from each math/science student organization. Then requests for math/science activities could be processed through this group.
- F. CCC (Michelle): Next meeting is Monday, March 3, 8:00am (new day/time). Partners from the seed grant will be invited to attend.
- G. COSI Outreach (Jodi): Though the building is closed, COSI is still operating its Outreach program. NWO TEAMS plans to include COSI outreach/teacher professional development in Cohort II. COSI outreach programs will be offered as incentives to teachers who attend the summer institute. Outreach is paid for by Project ISIS through the Martha Jennings Foundation.
- H. COSMOS Team Spring Retreat: May 14, 9am-1 pm, Alumni Center
- I. SECO:
 1. Rick noted that only two centers were represented—our center and one other—and complimented our staff/booth.
 2. Michelle reported that the NSTA regional conference will be held in Cincinnati next year; therefore there will be no SECO meeting. The cost of a booth is \$1,400. Michelle will propose to Steve that OBOR fund a "Centers" booth or that OBOR asks all centers to jointly fund a booth.
- J. NCTM (Barbara): Is holding its regional conference in Cleveland in October.

II. Working Items:

- A. Promotional Items for Praxis Folders (Julie):
 - 1. This year the Praxis Prep Workshop was opened to region.
 - 2. Plan to put promotional materials for BGSU graduate programs in participants' folders.
- B. NWO Updates:
 - 1. BGSU deans have met with Jodi, Barbara, John, and Emilio to plan a strategy.
 - 2. STEMM Summit at UT on 2/22: By invitation only—Deanne, Roz, and Jodi have been invited.
 - 3. UT funding/collaboration issues need to be resolved by May.
 - 4. Team members are encouraged to share their thoughts and feelings with their deans.
 - 5. Deans must have a collective consensus/plan/strategy.
 - 6. Best contact at UT may be the graduate dean.
 - 7. If the Center agrees to give funds to UT, there should be a scope of work along with external evaluators. Some kind of accountability is needed; more involvement from deans.

III. Reports:

- A. Tracy announced that PRISM paper authored by herself, Steve Van Hook, Julie, and Lena has been published in *School Science and Mathematics*.
- B. Future Teacher Conference: Michelle K. reported that registration will begin March 3 for the FTC to be hosted by the University of Findlay on April 12. Flyers and pdf file will soon be available to be sent to undergraduate students.
- C. Project Wild: Michelle S. noted that Project Wild will be taught by Rick Worch at the Inquiry Series next week.
- D. BG SECO: Deb reported there are 22 members.
- E. Tracy said there has been request by NSTA representative Mary Lightbody that BGSU have a NSTA student organization, but there is usually low student interest due to high annual fees. Jodi noted that the NWO budget could possibly help with these costs.
- F. BG CTM: Deb announced that BG CTM w/Texas Instruments is hosting a workshop for pre-service teachers who will receive a free TI84. It was suggested that future workshops include MAT students.
- G. Summer PD Opportunities: Jessica noted that the flyer is available on the web. Barbara said that Jim Albert's course is full. Info on Barbara's course should be put in folders of Inquiry Series participants.
- H. InspireData: Jodi noted that this data program will be installed in Room 140. Jodi will check about installing in microteaching rooms.