Date: May 12, 2015
Time: 10 - 11 AM

Bluejeans call in information:
1) Dial: +1 888 240 2560 (US or Canada only)
2) Enter Conference ID: 176564440

Action Items:

Attendance: Val, Krista, Lucas, Sara, Danielle, Richard, Josh, Brock, Eric

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**Agenda**
1. Intro: Lucas (APS FGSA student delegate for AAAS Science & Human Rights Coalition)
   a. Essay & poster competition for science and human rights
2. 2015 March & April Meeting, how did it go (Val)
3. CAM 2015 Update  (Val, Josh, Richard, Manolis, Krista)
4. Treasury
5. 2016 March & April Meeting Update (Krista)
6. Thoughts from APS Council (Eric)

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**Minutes**
1. Intro: Lucas (APS FGSA student delegate for AAAS Science & Human Rights Coalition)
   a. Essay & poster competition for science and human rights
      **2015 AAAS Science and Human Rights Coalition Student Competitions**
      Undergraduate and graduate students are invited to participate in the AAAS Science and Human Rights Coalition [Student Poster Competition](#) and [Student Essay Competition](#). Both are designed to inspire students to explore connections between human rights and science, engineering and health, and are supported by the AAAS-Andrew M. Sessler Fund for Science, Education and Human Rights. Prizes include a AAAS membership, Science subscription and cash! For more information, contact Theresa Harris at tharris@aaas.org.
   b. Deadline for essay competition: May 22, 2015
   c. Deadline for poster competition: **Friday, June 26, 2015**
   d. **Action item:** Advertise competitions to larger FGSA community, DONE :)
2. 2015 March & April Meeting, how did it go
   a. Both very well received
   b. great collaboration on w/ Careers & FIAP - goal to continue this
      i. No content overlap with those sessions
      ii. Successful advertising of Careers & FIAP sessions to grad students
   c. Daily facebook post very useful
d. March
   i. Reception and dance party for students (badly advertised)... “it was a riot”

e. April
   i. Unofficial “grad night out” held

3. CAM 2015 Update - Val, Josh, Richard, Manolis, Krista
   a. Oaxaca, Mexico. September 9-12, 2015
   b. General Update from Val
   c. Travel grant money - FGSA
      i. Awaiting NSF response
   d. Budget for CAM
      i. Can special CAM travel grant be available?
      ii. $40k available in open budget for FY15/16
   e. Visa Letter Process
      i. Val handles forwarding messages to SMF for invitation letters
   f. FGSA representative on site
      i. Amy will be going
      ii. Val will be applying; looking for personal funding
   g. Shipping/promotional materials?

4. Treasury
   a. Approximately $54 K in FGSA budget
   b. Approximately $40 K in FGSA budget after usual FGSA travel awards
   c. $20k available next year from APS if under $50k end of CY15
   d. $12k budgeted per year for travel grants (general)
      i. Possibly increase # of grants offered per quarter (2 more/quarter = $4k/year?)
      ii. To do: Propose (via email) permanent increase in awards for FGSA Travel grants from 5–6 awards per quarter to 7–8 awards per quarter, pending availability to funds and merit.
      iii. To do: APS CAM 2015 organizing committee propose large allocation ($10k~$15k) of FGSA funds to support student travel
   e. Advertising budget for promotional materials?
      i. Not provided at APS sponsored events in general

5. 2016 March & April Meeting Update - Krista
   a. RR: Session theme idea: Science and Human Rights Coalition
      1. To Do: check in to co-sponsorship possibilities
   b. March
      i. Dance/reception? Clarify advertising and scheduling?
         1. Who organized?
   c. April
      i. Val - beneficial to have FGSA event. Reception/Networking
ii. Need to setup within APS meeting planning committee

d. Budget
   i. Use some $ to have a social events for grad students at both conferences
   ii. Co-sponsor event to avoid overlap with pre-planned graduate social activities but also compliment pre-existing plans?
      1. FIP once held an "ethnic dinner" that was a big hit...could we collaborate with them or another similar group?

   e. To do: Set up a phone meeting soon (this week) for all members of planning committees
      i. Include Lucas into these emails, phone calls

6. Thoughts from APS Council - Eric
   a. Topics that we would like brought to the council?
   b. One option is to email ideas, or tell Eric
   c. Next meeting Nov.