

## Plant Science Research Network

### Steering Committee Meeting Winter 2018

#### Date and Time

Saturday, March 10 from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM; dinner at 6:30 PM

Sunday, March 11 from 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

#### Location

Executive Boardroom

[Westin Convention Center Pittsburgh](#)

1000 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

## Agenda

- Meeting Goals**
- Engage societies in support of Training workshop pilots and recommendations
  - Coalesce around one or more strategies for Broadening Participation
  - Outline planning objectives for the Plant Summit and Decadal Vision

## Friday, March 9

*Arrive and check-in at hotel – Westin Pittsburgh*

*Dinner on your own*

## Saturday, March 10

*Breakfast on your own*

**8:00 AM** *Executive Board Room, Westin Convention Center Pittsburgh*

#### **Introductions**

- Please take a moment to introduce your organization and how you have participated in the PSRN over the last year; share how your organization plans to interact with the PSRN over the coming year.

**8:30** **Accomplishments in 2017** (*PSRN leadership*)

#### **Overview of Scenarios and Postgraduate Training**

- Imagining Science in 2035
- Postgraduate Training Workshops

**9:00** **Postgraduate Training Workshop – Pilot project presentations**

- 9:00      **Communication and Science Outreach**  
 Maria Wheeler-Dubas, *Phipps Conservatory, Pittsburgh, PA*
- 9:15      **Communications Pilot**  
 Nikki Forrester, University of Pittsburgh
- 9:30      **MAYS: Navigating and Networking Your Career in Plant Science**  
 Megan Kelly, Rutgers University (via GoToMeeting)
- 9:45      **Industry and Academia Conference for Students**  
 Emma Frawley, St Louis University (via GoToMeeting)
- 10:00     **Modular Training Pilot Program: Creating active participants out of trainees**  
 Andrew Nelson, University of Arizona (via GoToMeeting)
- 10:30      Break**  
*Coffee and tea, provided*
- 10:50      Discussion about best approach to implement Training Pilot Programs**
- 12:00      Working lunch, continue discussion**  
*Buffet provided*
- 1:00        Looking forward**
- Understanding and codifying PSRN Broadening Participation goals** (*Delanie Sickler*)
- Discuss concepts presented in the HHMI Campus Forums Pre-Proposal (*Crispin Taylor*) and additional opportunities associated with the BP workshop (*David Stern*)
  - Share success of ABRCMS/SACNAS outreach and strategize best approach for PSRN booth and REU/Internship collaboration (*Natalie Henkhaus*)
- 2:30        National Plant Systems Initiative**
- Share the feedback and discuss the process - Each steering committee member to summarize feedback from their organization (5 minutes or less). How did your organization respond to the feedback process? What research areas were under or over emphasized?
  - Determine how the PSRN will proceed with the NPSI as a discussion document
  - Outline a response to feedback received to acknowledge alternative perspectives (to be shared with PSRN member organizations)
- 3:30        Break**  
*Coffee and tea, provided*
- 3:50        Continue discussion on the NPSI**
- 4:45        Closing remarks**
- 5:00        Adjourn for the day**
- 6:30        Reservations for Dinner at the Omni Hotel**

Join the Plant Biology 2018 program committee for dinner at the *Omni Hotel*. 530 William Penn Place, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219

# Sunday, March 11

**8:00**      **Opening Remarks**

*Executive Board Room, Westin Convention Center Pittsburgh*

**8:15**      **Planning the Plant Summit (PSRN leadership)**

Proposed Goals of the “Plant Summit III”:

- Recruit participants from diverse backgrounds, disciplines, and institutions
- Reach consensus on scientific priorities for the plant sciences
- Produce a document/white paper, the “Decadal Vision” for 2020 – 2030 with clear audience and focus.

Discuss intended outcomes of the Decadal Vision 2020-2030.

- How will the scientific priorities be translated for various audiences? (Such as funders – who will describe programmatic recommendations?)

**10:30**      **Break**

*Coffee and tea, provided*

**10:50**      **Next steps for the PSRN (PSRN leadership)**

- Goal setting for PSRN activities in 2018

**12:00 PM**      **Working lunch, continue discussion**

*Buffet provided*

**1:30**      **Closing remarks**

**2:00**      **Meeting Adjourn**

## Attendees

James Birchler - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/11)

Michael Donoghue - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/11)

David Gang - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/12)

Rebecca Grumet - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/11)

Lonnie Guralnick - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/11)

Sonia Hall - No housing requested

Natalie Henkhaus - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/11)

Robin Howard - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/11)

Delanie Sickler - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/11)

David Stern - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/11)

Crispin Taylor - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/11)

Brett Tyler - Housing requested (checkin on 3/9, checkout on 3/11)

### **Guests on Saturday from Training Workshop**

(No housing requested)

#### **In person:**

Maria Wheeler-Dubas, *Science Education Outreach Coordinator  
Research and Science Education Department, Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, mwheeler-dubas@phipps.conservatory.org*

#### **By Go To Meeting:**

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