

AAPS “Section Connection”

August 2007

SUMMARY OF EC ACTIONS

- Recommendations from the Regulatory Sciences Task Force were sent to the EC. The task force was charged with examining AAPS’ relationship with the FDA and collaborations on programming. The EC accepted the task force recommendations and will appoint a smaller task force to determine which recommendations will be implemented.
- The EC received an update regarding Dr. Fiese’s presidential goal to charge the AMPC and the NBCPC with reviewing the content and format of the respective meetings in order to identify opportunities for improvement. The AMPC and NBCPC met in January 2007 and developed talking points and ideas for improvement, several of which have already been implemented.
- The EC approved retaining Mike Olsen, a consultant working with the FDA, as a liaison between the FDA and AAPS in order to obtain topics for future workshops.



Important Dates

October

5	RS Section Conf. Call 12:00 pm EDT Contact: Sharon Pichon PichonS@aaps.org
7	Copy Deadline for December <i>AAPS Newsmagazine</i> Contact: Melody Merin MerinM@aaps.org
10	BIOTEC Section Conf. Call 12:00 pm EDT Contact: Stacey May MayS@aaps.org
10	PPDM Section Conf. Call 2:00 pm EDT Contact: Jake Harris HarrisJ@aaps.org
10	APQ Section Conf. Call 3:00 pm EDT Contact: Maureen Downs DownsM@aaps.org
12	CPTR Section Conf. Call 12:00 pm EDT Contact: Sharon Pichon PichonS@aaps.org
	EC Conference Call CANCELLED Contact: John Lisack LisackJ@aaps.org
18	PDD Section Conf. Call 12:00 pm EDT Contact: Rich Lawson LawsonR@aaps.org
19	DDD Section Conf. Call 3:00 pm EDT Contact: Stacey May MayS@aaps.org
23	PT Section Conf. Call 12:00 pm EDT Contact: Peter Inchauteguiz InchauteguizP@aaps.org

Member-at-Large Section

As time for the EC conference calls is limited, reports from only 4 sections are given per meeting. The reports provided for the August meeting were from the APQ, BIOTEC, PPDM, and PT sections. Reports from other sections will be given at the September meeting.

- The APQ Section is beginning discussions on a visiting scientist program much like the PPDM Education Initiative. APQ is holding two open forums at this year’s annual meeting, one of which is in conjunction with the RS Section.
- The BIOTEC Section conducted an outreach program in conjunction with the 2007 NBC that was very successful. BIOTEC is also addressing concerns regarding volunteer burn-out and the need to recruit new leaders.
- The PPDM Section completed their strategic visioning and developed impressive short- and long-term goals including a leadership role within the Q X’ology and D3I initiatives. PPDM is also offering eight travelships to the 2007 annual meeting.
- The PT Section is working with the PDD Section to make a strategic visioning recommendation during the September EC meeting. Vishal Gupta, PT Section Chair-elect, will be giving an instructional talk to patent examiners at the U.S. Patent and Trademark office. During the monthly conference call, it was reported that the Modified Release Focus Group is collaborating with the Controlled Release Society on a workshop being held just prior to this year’s annual meeting.