PHUGAS November Meeting

11/5/2020

5pm CST

Beth Adams, Grad. Pres.

The November PHUGAS meeting began with two officers in attendance, Beth Adams, Graduate President, and Autumn Joanow, Vice President, along with Faculty Advisor Marina Rust and PHUGAS member and MPH student Katie Clark.

We still need an Undergraduate President to represent all undergraduate Public Health students at the faculty meetings. If interested, contact Marina Rust or Beth Adams.

Each meeting attendee gave a brief introduction about themselves, and then the meeting followed the agenda prepared by Marina Rust.

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Autumn Joanow volunteered to be a representative for one of the new faculty search committees. There is still need for one more committee representative here.

Katie Clark volunteered as the representative for the graduate curriculum committee that meets once per semester. There is still need for one undergraduate curriculum committee representative. Email Beth Adams (Elizabeth.adams@wku.edu) to volunteer.

The meeting attendees briefly discussed the BSPH motions suggested by the faculty members. These motions included the replacing of a current BSPH class with a newly created Health Equity course, adding three new competencies to the BSPH program, and splitting the current BSPH 6 hour internship into a 3hr capstone course and a 3hr internship. All members present agreed that these are good changes, although none of the members present were BSPH students.

Next, the attendees discussed the current Diversity, Inclusion, and Equity policies and recommendations. The attendees agreed that having all gender bathrooms in the Public Health hall would be beneficial, and committed to continuing the conversation throughout the school year.

For next meeting, the attendees discussed having a Spotlight led by a faculty member. There were no program suggestions nor feedback, but hopefully suggestions will start coming in!