

**Postdoctoral Affairs Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
December 5, 2012**

2:00pm, 226 Tigert Hall (President's Conference Room)

Attending: Brian Harfe, Thierry Dubroca, Sobha Jaishankar, Ashley Seifert, Aaron Dossey, Alvina Mehinto, Celine Baligand, Kim Pace

Guests: Joe Glover, Georges Papathanasiou, Olorunseun Ogunwobi

The meeting was called to order at 2:04pm.

Review and approval of minutes:

The meeting minutes from the August 28, 2012 meeting were distributed for committee review. The minutes were approved without changes.

Updates:

Postdoc Research Symposium: Scheduled for Monday, March 25, 2013 at Emerson Alumni Hall Alvina Mehinto has been working to develop the day's program. Georges Papathanasiou will continue to work on coordination of the event once Alvina leaves at the end of the year.

Postdoc Mentoring Award Program: Brian Harfe will chair a committee of postdocs and faculty members for the Postdoc Mentoring Awards program. Applications from the colleges are due in mid-January 2013. The awards will be announced at the Research Symposium in March.

Postdoc Peer Mentoring Program: Seven Postdoc Peer Mentors will make themselves available to junior/new postdocs for mentoring. Mentors will also meet with each other to share mentoring strategies and meet with campus mentoring experts to discuss various approaches to mentoring.

Awards and Appreciations:

Ashley Seifert, Alvina Mehinto and Thierry Dubroca were recognized for their service and contributions to the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs during its inaugural year. Thierry Dubroca was recognized as the co-founder of the Office.

Aaron Dossey was presented with the 2012 Office of Postdoctoral Affairs Legacy Award by Provost Joe Glover. Dr. Dossey was recognized for his contributions to the Office of Postdoctoral Affairs and his co-founding of the Office.

The meeting concluded at 3:15pm.