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Update from Dr. David Threadgill, CPI Chair

August CPI News – The Council of Principal Investigators Executive Committee (CPI-EC) met with administrators August 7, 2019. Discussions during the CPI-EC August meeting included having Dr. Jerry Strawser come provide CPI an update for the first A&M home game on Thursday, August 29th and had Mr. Brad Urbanczyk and Ms. Christina Robertson discuss BioRAFT along with what they were going to demo at the August 14th general meeting. Discussions continued on preparing for the August 14, 2019 meeting with the Student Financial and Employment Office regarding the Enhancing On-Campus Student Employment changes that impact research labs.

CPI Contacts – The new complete 2019-2020 roster of CPI Representatives and the new CPI Executive Committee can be found on the CPI website at https://cpi.tamu.edu/membership/2019-2020_Council_Membership. Previous membership lists can be found in the council [archive](#). Thank you to all the CPI representatives whose terms are ending August 31, 2019. Even though CPI terms end, PIs remain actively engaged with CPI from past years. Thank you for your continued efforts in moving research forward!

The CPI-EC will continue to meet with President Young and Provost Fierke each month in order to keep PIs informed. The CPI-EC also meets with Chancellor Sharp every other month. If there are items of concern that impact the research environment, we would like to hear from you. All PIs are encouraged to communicate with their representatives to bring forward items of concern or interest for the research community. Please continue to bring research-related issues (and solutions) to my attention at CPI@tamu.edu.

Reminder: The next CPI General meeting will be Wednesday, September 11, 2019, Rudder 601, 11:30-1:15pm.

The September 11, 2019 CPI General Meeting will have Dr. Sarah Misemer, Associate Director, LAUCH: Undergraduate Research provide an announcement of LAUNCH's upcoming events that faculty should be aware of. Dr. Diane Hurtado, Associate Vice Chancellor for National Laboratories Management and a panel of five researchers will come hold a panel discussion on their research activities with Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) and how they are currently working with LANAL.

Contact Rebecca Luckey, rluckey@tamu.edu or 979.862.9166, for more information or to suggest agenda items for our monthly meetings.

Writing Winning NIH Grant Proposals

Mark your calendars to attend a professional development seminar for Texas A&M PI-eligible researchers on September 26, 2019. This workshop will be led by Dr. John D. Robertson, Granter Writers' Seminars and Workshops, LLC. The deadline for registering is September 20, 2019. For more information, see attached or contact Research Development Services at 979-845-1811.

Research Development Services Upcoming Workshops

The Research Development Services office within the Division of Research is offering numerous workshops that researchers can take advantage of. For a complete list of workshops with dates and locations, visit their website calendar at <https://vpr.tamu.edu/initiate-research/research-development-services/calendar>. (See attached flyer).

Summary of Recent NIH Policy Changes

NIH, CDC, and AHRQ have announced that individuals supported by research training, fellowship, research education, and career development awards will be required to have an ORCID iD linked to their eRA Commons account beginning in FY2020.

For more information, see NOT-OD-19-109 (<https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-19-109.html>) and a recent NIH Open Mike blog post (<https://nexus.od.nih.gov/all/2019/08/05/linking-orcid-identifiers-to-era-profiles-to-streamline-application-processes-and-to-enhance-tracking-of-career-outcomes/>).

Limited Submission Proposal Opportunities

The list of current Limited Submission Proposal (LSP) opportunities, maintained by the Division of Research, is available at <https://u.tamu.edu/LSP>. To receive notifications about new LSP opportunities as soon as they are announced, email Ms. Shelly Martin at shelly.martin@tamu.edu.

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