



Symposium Committee Meeting Minutes

8/27/2011, 7:30-9 pm EST

The 1st Meeting of the Cardiovascular Research Symposium Committee was convened by a Skype teleconference at 7:30-9:00 p.m. EST on Saturday, August 27, 2011.

Present: [Hong Wang](#), [Jay \(Jianyi\) Zhang](#), [Zhongjie Sun](#), [Dayue Duan](#), [Qinglin Yang](#), [Juming Zhong](#),
[Li Zhang](#), [Shuping Ge](#), [Cynthia Taub](#), [Dali Fan](#), [Guo-Chang Fan](#), [Yuling Hong \(Email\)](#).

Absent: [Jie Cheng](#), [Yingjie Chen](#), [Jianming Li](#), [Grace Palma](#)

Meeting Coordinator: [Hong Wang](#)

Skype Coordinator: [Juming Zhong](#)

The Symposium Committee chair Dr. Hong Wang welcomed everyone to this meeting. Meeting started at 7:30 pm EST.

1. Fundraising progress report:

Dr. Shuping Ge reported: 1) Familion agreed to contribute \$3500; 2) approached other industries as well, but no response yet.

Dr. Wang reported that Dr. Jie Cheng has SentraHeart's promise for \$2000 and is working with multiple industries for a major YIA endowment funds.

Dr. Dayue Duan stated that Jianming met with Boston Scientifics who may contribute about \$5000. Dayue said that we can collect money from the registration. Students (USA and China) and scholars from China can apply for travel award and waive the registration fee.

Dr. Li zhang also contacted some companies, but no response yet. She stated that CME will not allow any commercial activities in the symposium.

2. Symposium location:

Dr. Shuping Ge reported that: 1) AHA agreed to allow us to use a 200 people space for the pm symposium; The space will be available till 6:30 pm on Saturday; 2) AHA will assist in looking for a China Night space.

Dr. Hong Wang seconded that we will have Room W110A (500 seats, 8am-6pm) in the convention for Saturday, November 12th.

3. Symposium work plan:

Dr. Hong Wang reported that we currently have 4 speakers including Drs. Minghui Zhou and Jay Zhang from basic science, and Drs. Ge and Jie Cheng from clinical research. Abstract oral presentations

are pending and will be selected from submitted abstracts. We will pick 6 (three from basic science and three from Clinical science). The committee discussed and agreed to give more chances to young investigators. The attendees also discussed the number of awardees, certificate or plaque to awardees. Dr. Shuping Ge suggested that plaque may be better than certificate. All attendees concurred that Dr. Hong Wang will be responsible for this event including preparing for plaques, how many awardees and how much of prize. Dr. Ge said that he will pay the prize to the awardees.

The meeting discussed that we should invite some speakers from translational study. Dr. Dayue Duan recommended Dr. Yibing Wang (USA) and Ruiping Xiao (China), which was seconded by Dr. Shuping Ge. The attendees concurred with the idea that invites Dr. Yibing Wang as one of our basic science speakers. In addition, Dr. Ge also recommended Dr. Li Zhang to be one of clinical science speakers. Dr. Zhongjie Sun emphasized that the speaker should be our member. Dr. Hong Wang recommended Dr. Qingbo Xu to be a keynote speaker at the “China night”. It is agreed that Dr. Wang will invite these speakers.

In addition, the meeting discussed and decided that time limit is 20 minutes for invited speakers and 15 min for abstract presentation. Café break is 10-15 minutes.

Drs. Yingjie Chen/Guo-Chang Fan will take care of AV service and arrange AV technician with the convention center.

Dr. Zhongjie Sun will prepare the signage outside of the symposium room and for China night.

All attendees agreed that the refreshment is as simple as possible to save costs (Dr. Juming Zhong in charge of this). Juming will order lunch box for board meeting at noon and arrange for refreshment.

4. China night location and work plan discussion:

Dr. Dayue Duan initiated that Rosen may be a best place to hold the China Night. The attendees discussed Plan A (Ming Court) Plan B (Rosen) and Plan C (symposium room). If we did not collect \$18,000-20,000, we have to select the Plan A. The problem of Ming Court is that the room can not hold more than 100 people. If host the China Night at our symposium room, it will cost us more money. Dr. Hong Wang said that the symposium room and convention will be closed 6 pm and not enough time for China night. All attendees suggested Drs. Dayue Duan and Jianming Li to make a decision as soon as possible.

Dr. Juming Zhong raised a question about the money account at the Symposium/China Night. Drs. Hong Wang and Shuping Ge answered the question. In the end, all attendees agreed that Dr. Juming Zhong is responsible for collecting the registration fee, and Cynthia will be responsible for the financial account and payment for China Night.