

Society of Behavioral Medicine
39th Annual Meeting & Scientific Sessions
New Orleans – April 11 -April 14, 2018
Program Committee Conference Call

Date: Tuesday, September 19, 2017

Time: 12:00 PM PT; 1:00 PM MT; 2:00 PM CT; 3:00 PM ET

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In Attendance

Rachel Shelton, ScD, MPH Chair

David X. Marquez, PhD, Past Chair

Staff

Erin Trimmer

Lauren Seward

Unable to attend

Gary G. Bennett, PhD, President

Kristi Graves, PhD, SIG Chair

Charles Jonassaint, PhD

Ryan Shaw, RN

Andrea Cherrington, MD, MPH

Jennifer Huberty, PhD

Meagan Helmick, MPH, CHES

Deborah Bowen, PhD

Eric Hekler, PhD, Co-Chair

Mary Dean, JD, CAE

1. Abstract submissions update

Dr. Shelton reported that there are currently 491 abstracts submitted with 430 in draft as compared to last year's initial deadline in there were 305 submitted with 445 in draft. In 2017 there were 1370 total abstracts submitted in the first round.

The breakdown of abstracts by session type:

5 pre-conference seminars

31 symposia

13 panel discussions

235 paper and posters

207 poster only

For the SIG/Council/Committee link there are:

3 pre-conference courses

12 breakfast roundtables

13 midday meetings

The committee discussed how the SIG/Council/Committee submissions were down slightly and agreed to extend the deadline as needed to allow for additional submissions.

2. Reviewer timeline discussion

Dr. Shelton recapped the second abstract submission extension timeline and the shortened review timeline noting that there has been little to no negative feedback or issues with the extension.

3. Program Planning Meeting agenda discussion

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The committee reviewed the agenda for the upcoming program planning meeting. Staff will forward the agenda to Dr. Hekler for review and collect flight information from Drs. Marquez and Hekler.

Next Program Committee Conference Call

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