

Society of Behavioral Medicine
38th Annual Meeting & Scientific Sessions
 San Diego– March 29-April 1, 2017
 Program Committee Conference Call

Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2016
 Time: 12:00 PM PT; 1:00PM MT; 2:00 PM CT; 3:00 PM ET
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In Attendance

David X. Marquez, PhD, Chair
 Rachel Shelton, Co-Chair
 Kate Wolin, ScD, Past Chair
 Angela Odoms-Young, PhD
 Andrea Cherrington, MD, MPH
 Jing Wang, PhD
 Noel Brewer, PhD
 Ana Abrantes, PhD
 Genevieve Dunton, PhD, MPH
 Matthew Buman, PhD
 Susan Aguinaga, MS
 Kristi D. Graves, PhD

Staff

Erin Trimmer
 Mary Dean

Unable to attend

James F. Sallis, PhD, President
 Renee Umstattd Meyer, PhD, MCHES
 Kathy Goggin, PhD
 Clement Gwede, PhD, MPH, RN, FAAN

1. Brief update on abstract submission final numbers

Dr. Marquez provided a summary of the final abstract submission acceptance numbers for the committee (see below for the detailed table).

Session Type	Number of Abstracts Submitted	Number of Abstracts Accepted	Acceptance Rate
Pre-Conference Seminar	23	19	83%
Symposia	87	84	97%
Panel Discussion	28	26	93%
Paper and Poster	834	762	91%
Paper Only	53	34	64%
Poster Only	342	288	84%
Pre-Conference Course	15	15	100%
Breakfast Roundtable	18	18	100%
Midday Meeting	20	20	100%
Overall Acceptance Rate	1419	1265	89%

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2. Overview of recent board meeting

Dr. Marquez informed the committee about the recent board of directors meeting that was held in Washington DC the weekend prior to the call noting the board expressed enthusiasm regarding the program and plenary speakers for the 2017 Annual Meeting. Also, the board discussed adding a local chair to the paper sessions to provide attendees with examples of local translation of research to practice.

The committee brainstormed ways in which to implement adding local chairs to the existing chair/co-chair structure of the paper sessions determining that it will be best for the small committee to identify a handful of pilot paper sessions for the new structure. Dr. Graves requested that the committee attempt to identify a diverse group of sessions to touch on multiple disciplines within SBM.

In order to determine the success of the new session chair structure Dr. Marquez suggested including an additional question on the post-meeting evaluation of the pilot sessions to collect attendee feedback.

3. Begin identifying paper session chairs

The committee reviewed the list of paper sessions with the individual paper presentations and presenters to begin identifying a senior and a junior SBM member to chair/co-chair each session.

Next Conference Call

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