ARO Education Committee Minutes
November 13, 2024
3:00-4:00 PM ET

Attendance:

Cathy Sung (chair), Sumana Gosh, Tong Shan, Jarnail Singh, Peter Santa Maria, Sunil Puria (council liaison), Jason Brant, Rhiannon McNeely (executive office)

Minutes:

Seminar Series and Coffee Hour Updates

The committee reviewed the ongoing seminar series and coffee hour initiatives. The seminar series has seen successful events and will continue with upcoming speakers scheduled, following a theme from central to peripheral topics, starting with the auditory cortex and thalamus.

Regarding the coffee hour, two upcoming sessions were discussed: one on publications behind the scenes in January and another on gEAR in August 2025.

gEAR Workshop and Special Edition

The committee considered the timing and format of the upcoming gEAR workshop, with the possibility of holding it closer to the ARO event to accommodate attendees who might miss it. A Q&A session was also suggested. Additionally, the committee discussed a special edition for JARO, which had an initially loose deadline but is now being given a more specific one. A one-month deadline for responses was agreed upon, with the submission period remaining open for one year after that. It was also suggested to tie the Presidential Symposium on hearing aids to the special edition.

Publication behind the scenes coffee hour will be held January 8th 2025. Andreas Eckhard and Judith Kempfle will be leading this coffee hour and will discuss topics:

- Tips for writing good manuscripts.
- How does a manuscript get reviewed?
- What are the reviewers looking for in a manuscript?
- What to include and to exclude in your responses to reviewers.

Science communication workshop

The Accessibility and Accommodation is hosting a Science Communication Workshop on January 22nd, 2025. Therefore, the Education Committee will hold off on organizing a similar session for the 2024-2025 cycle. Future discussions with the Accessibility and Accommodation Committee could lead to a potential collaboration on an annual Science Communication Workshop, but this will be determined through further discussions between the two committees.