

## SERD Meeting Minutes

02/23/09

**Attendance:** Gargi Roysircar, Nate Thorn, Jamie Carroll, Sandra Carrazza, Afshan Afsahi, Sheeba Thomas

- Gargi reminded SERD members that there is still time to apply for the Jonathan Daniels Scholarship because the deadline has been extended; SERD members have had a good history of receiving this scholarship because of the services they provide and the hard work they do.
- Shakti's trip to Texas will likely need to be moved to a later time because of other commitments; The previous deadline of March 3<sup>rd</sup> will need to be removed from the Shakti application and should be changed to "applications are on a rolling basis"; Cindy will be notified about this change.
- Discussed the qualities that may be necessary to be involved in a Shakti outreach trip.
- Discussed SERD members' good results with internship matching this year, such as Ben Herzig, Fran Berry-Worcester, Wendy Vincent, and Brian Denietolis.
- Also discussed practicum search progress for first and second year students.
- Sandra brought to our attention the deadly forest fires in Australia which have taken the lives of people and animals and left thousands homeless; the fires have been said to result from a possible combination of arsonists and environmental issues; this is said to be the worst Australia has ever had.
- Discussed putting up a link regarding worldwide news such as this on the MCC website; events of violence, persecution, political suppression would potentially be put on the website to inform others.

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