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Hello SSSP Drinking and Drugs Division Members,

As nine of you know we had our division meeting last Friday. It was great getting a chance to see some folks before the conference and to plan for some of the activities at the 2024 Montreal conference.

We also put together some committees for the 2024 conference and I wanted to let everyone know where we stand with each of those.

The **Graduate Student Paper award committee** is complete, here are the volunteers:

Dina Perrone
Julie Roddy
Drew Burns

We currently only have one volunteer for the **Senior Scholar award committee**, luckily, it's Sam Friedman, but we need one or two more people in that group. Sam has requested that it preferably be people who've been around for a while which makes sense given the award. If you'd like to join that committee, please email me and/or Sam.

Lastly, we also assembled a **Conference Planning Committee**. At the upcoming Philadelphia conference, I will meet with the other division chairs and have to hammer out the 2024 sessions on the fly. It's chaotic, so the idea is that this committee can meet before then, to discuss what we want in advance, and prepare me to deliver those results in the actual meeting. Like training Rocky for the big fight, sort of....

Here are the current volunteers:

Sarah Cunningham
Julie Roddy
Drew Burns
David Frank

If you'd like to be a part of the conference planning committee, just let me know.

I think those are the main announcements from the meeting. Let me know if you have any questions or comments or if you'd like to join one of the open committees.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in Philadelphia!

Cheers,
David