Summary of the PiBS Executive Committee Meeting on September 25, 2012:

- The Virtual Grad Fair was a success for the PhD programs. There will be another Virtual Grad Fair on October 25, 2012.
- GMS will be hosting an Open House for BU students at the George Sherman Union on Wednesday, October 3, 2012 from 4:00-7:00 PM. PiBS will be represented.
- The Executive Committee will be developing a process to ensure that the Faculty Research Interest page on the PiBS website is accurate.
- Admissions requirements for PiBS are as follows:
  - The PiBS Admissions Committee performs a holistic review of every application.
  - Applicants should have a strong academic background in Biology, Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics.
  - The minimum GRE score is within the 70th percentile. Subject GRE tests are not required.
  - Competitive applicants will have meaningful research experience outside of coursework.
  - For international students, the minimum TOEFL scores are: 550 (paper test) or 213 (computer test). The computer test score minimums are as follows: 21-Reading, 18-Listening, 23-Speaking, and 22-Writing.
- The Advising Committee, chaired by Dr. Vickery Trinkaus-Randall, is close to finalized.
- The Curriculum Committee, chaired by Dr. Greg Viglianti, is close to finalized.