

Summary of

2008 CBA Leader Retreat

On September 14, 2008, the Chinese Biopharmaceutical Association – USA (CBA) held its second annual leader retreat at Comus Inn located at Sugarloaf Mountain in Maryland. Started by Dr. Yuling Li during her presidency (2007-2008), the one-day retreat is designed for members of the board of directors and the executive team, along with other key members of the CBA, to gather to review the past year's operation and plan for the next year's activities. Chaired by current CBA president (2008-2009), Dr. Lin Sun-Hoffman, attendees of the 2008 CBA Leader Retreat summarized the 13th CBA Annual Conference held in Shanghai; planed the 14th CBA Annual Conference; discussed the proposals for future events led by the newly formed Functional Committees; debated the need of amending CBA's vision and mission, as well as bylaws; and updated other issues, including web renovation and collaboration with other organizations. The retreat started at 9:00 AM and ended at 4:00 PM.

Attendees of the retreat included Lin Sun-Hoffman, Yuling Li, Yifan Zhai, Dajun Yang, Yingxian Xiao, Patrick Lu, Richard Zhao, Xiaobin Lu, Yanni Wang, Maggie Lee, Linda Powers, Claire Driscoll, Peter Qian, Qiao Y. Bobo, Jean(Zhen) Xiao, Sujuan Ba, Ed Wang, Shoupeng Lai, Roxanne Duan, Minghui Wei, Jeffery Huang, Dan Zhang (via teleconference), Kevin Li (via teleconference), and Kening Li (via teleconference).