Minutes of the COMPRES Executive Committee Meeting, January 21, 2022

Present: Carl Agee (President), Abby Kavner, Heather Watson, Thomas Sharp, Bin Chen (Facilities Committee), Lily Thompson (EOID Committee)

Absent: Suki Dorfman (Vice-Chair) (arrived at 11), Jim van Orman (Chair)

Agenda
1:45 PM EST Approval of the minutes from November 19, 2021 (in DropBox) (Jim)
1:50 Update on year-6 bridge funding from NSF (Carl)
2:10 Update on the Steering Committee for the new organization (Heather, Lily, Carl)
2:20 New business, announcements, or discussion
2:45 PM Adjourn

Minutes

1:45 PM AK moved to have Tom chair meeting
Heather 2nd

1:45 PM EST Approval of the minutes from November 19, 2021 (in DropBox) (Jim)
Ak--moved to delay a week because minutes were not updated in time to review
Heather and Tom agree and second.

1:50 Update on year-6 bridge funding from NSF (Carl)
Carl met with NSF (Russ Kelz) on January 18 on Zoom.
COMPRES current funding will be extended as a bridge fund covering June 1, 2022 - February 28, 2023. Bridge funding may take longer than 9 months.
In preparation for bridge funding requests Carl has met with COMPRES sub awards PIs.
Message to them: Spend rates on year 5 must be on track in order to receive full bridge funding.
Delays come mostly from the billing.
It was asked if it is worthwhile knowing if underspending is due to understaffing.
Answer: All our facilities are fully staffed.
Russ Kelz informed Carl that bridge funding will be extended at the same rate as the current year (provided that year 5 spending is on track)
From NSF: April 15th due date for bridge budget request
Preliminary balances from sub awards are due at the end of February.
Final balances and bridge funding requests from sub awards are due end of March.

2:10 Update on the Steering Committee for the new organization (Heather, Lily, Carl)

Members of the Steering Committee gave their impressions of the progress being made.
Discussion with the ExComm ensued.

(Note—SD left at ~11:50, before meeting was adjourned)
(Note—AK had to leave at 11:58, before meeting was adjourned)

2:45 PM Adjourn