

Minutes of the COMPRES Executive Committee Meeting, April 9, 2021

Present: Carl Agee (President), Andy Campbell (Chair), Suki Dorfman (Vice Chair), Anat Shahaar, Lily Thompson (EOID Committee), Mark Rivers (Facilities Committee), Heather Watson, Tom Sharp (late)

Absent: none

Agenda Friday, April 9, 2021

12:45 PM CST Approval minutes from March 12, 2021 (in Dropbox) (Andy)

12:50 Steering Committee update (Mark, Anat, Heather, Lily, Carl)

1:10 Finalize Annual Meeting date (Carl)

1:15 Update on the Nominations Committee (Carl)

1:25 Update on the COMPRES year-5 budget (Carl)

1:35 Other business

1:45 PM Adjourn

Minutes

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Anat moves to approve, Heather seconds, unanimous.

12:47 Steering Committee update (Anat, Mark, Carl, Lily, Heather)

Solicitation not yet posted from NSF. Mark notes previous meeting where he and Lily provided updates. Workshop organized by Peter Heaney coming up soon. Outreach committee being formed. Conversation about how group will make decisions has been postponed. Members are providing input about which committees they would like to participate in. Possibility that proposal due date will be pushed back to Q4 from Q3, and COMPRES and GSECARS may receive supplement until new organization reviewed. Concerns that partial year supplement wouldn't be sufficient to maintain operations due to annual contract rules.

1:02 Finalize Annual Meeting date (Carl)

Discussion about Annual Meeting at Steering Committee asked for some time for community discussion of new organization, which would be better sooner than later (July rather than August). However, July doesn't work as well for beamline scientists. Possibility of finding window during 2-day shutdown in July. Organizing committee isn't formed yet, so it would also be hard to rush these folks to schedule a meeting sooner. Perhaps the meeting about the new org could be decoupled from COMPRES Annual Meeting, and run sooner. Easier to schedule 1-day special meeting.

Reminder of last month's decision to let organizing committee choose date.

1:08 Update on the Nominations Committee (Carl)

Jackie Li is chair of nominations committee. Decision on Annual Meeting date will define deadlines for nomination committee. Carl reminded Jackie of the Executive Committee's new recommendation not to nominate current COMPRES PIs.

1:12 Update on the COMPRES year-5 budget (Carl)

Budget approved by ExComm has been submitted to NSF. Katherine Armstrong will start soon at ALS.

1:17 Other business

Update from Tom on the ASU NSF MSRI-1 Proposal.

Congratulations to Mark Rivers and Steve Sutton on Compton Award!

1:24 PM Adjourn