Minutes of the meeting of the COMPRES Executive Committee on 2 November 2012

Present: J Bass, P Dera, T Duffy, A Campbell, Y Fei, A Kavner, N Ross, J Tyburczy

Absent:

Start time: 2:00 Eastern Time

1. Approval of minutes of 5 October Executive Committee meeting (Duffy).
   Minutes were approved.

2. Update on COMPTECH search (Dera). Decision has been made and paperwork is being processed, letter being written by UIUC. Bin Chen was first choice. Backup plan is in place. Start date is Jan 15. Must count on 2 weeks till get an answer from first candidate.

3. Workshops planned:
   - FIB Methods: Fei discussed his plans.
   - CONUSS: Nov. 2-4 (Ongoing today)
   - Computational Method, USPEX: Dec. 10-15 Stony Brook, Artem Oganov

4. COMPRES Postdocs: An Annual Report was submitted by Wenli Bi, who is working on the COMPRES project at Sector 3. The ExComm discussed whether reports should be submitted by all scientists supported by COMPRES. We should first check with the project spokespersons.

4. A Kavner and P Dera reported on the Single-Crystal XRD Workshop at ALS

5. Opportunities for COMPRES at ALS, meeting with ALS management (Bass, Duffy). Various possibilities for an expanded COMPRES presence were discussed, along with ways in which ALS could help cover the NSLS dark period.

6. COMPRES beamlines at the APS (Bass).
   A meeting took place on 10/24 with J Bass, D Mills, and B Stephenson. Possibilities for APS to help cover the dark period at NSLS were discussed.

7. AGU meetings. Four committee meetings will be held: E&O, Infrastructure Development, Facilities, and Executive Committee. Dates are being decided and arrangements made with a restaurant.

8. Annual Facilities and ID Reports: Reminders have been sent.

9. Earthcube meeting with rock mechanics & COMPRES (Dera, Bass, Duffy). Renata Wentzcovitch, Chris Marone, Tom Duffy, Przemek Dera, and Jay Bass had teleconference on developing a proposal for Cyber Infrastructure. Dera has provided written material. Chris Marone is leading the effort in the Rock Mechanics
community, and attended the Earthscope Earthcube meeting. COMPRES and the rock mechanics community will collaborate on a workshop.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 Eastern Time.
Notes by JB