Minutes of the COMPRES Executive Committee Meeting, January 29, 2021

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

Absent: none

Agenda Friday, January 29, 2021

12:45 PM CST Approval minutes from January 13, 2021 (in Dropbox) (Andy)

12:50 Steering Committee update (Carl, Mark)

1:00 COMPRES year-5 budget (in Dropbox) (Carl)

1:45 PM Adjourn

Minutes

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Minutes postponed to next meeting to incorporate additional notes from Heather.

12:49 Steering Committee update (Carl, Mark)

Meeting scheduled for the Steering committee. First meeting will discuss designating a chair and revisit the charge. Chair is not necessarily a member of the existing committee, but should be someone from COMPRES and GSECARS communities since we expect to be the core of the forthcoming proposal. Steering committee may hold workshops before the solicitation, but expect that most work will wait until solicitation released. Low temperature geochemists have begun separately surveying their community about synchrotron needs. David Lambert has been in touch with Carl and Mark about budget categories for current COMPRES and GSECARS, e.g. how much of our budget is management, capital equipment, education and outreach.

Some critical comments were received from the community about the steering committee.

1:00 COMPRES year-5 budget (in Dropbox) (Carl)

Carl introduces the budget draft (June 2021-May 2022). Used surplus funds by not requesting additional funds, particularly central office. EOID projects and participant support were discussed. No cost (virtual) annual meeting, no travel. Resolved some issues with salary

guidelines. Note that release of funds for this year was delayed to Fall 2020, and delay possible for 2021.

Plan to ask for travel as a supplement in the case that travel becomes possible in 2021. Would it be better to assume normality now, and budget travel? Pandemic may not be resolved, but need to be ready to act. Normality may never return?

Budget will be finalized in next meeting.

Celebratory final annual meeting at end of COMPRES before merger, 2022?

1:57 PM Adjourn