

Minutes of the COMPRES Executive Committee Meeting, May 14, 2021

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

Absent: Anat Shahar

Agenda Friday, May 14, 2021

12:45 PM CDT Approval minutes from April 9, 2021 (in Dropbox) (Andy)

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

1:10 Annual Meeting update (Tom)

1:15 Update on the Nominations Committee (Carl)

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

1:35 APS upgrade (Mark)

1:45 PM Adjourn

Minutes

12:45 PM CDT Approval minutes from April 9, 2021 (in Dropbox) (Andy)

Quorum 12:48. Heather moves to approve, Andy seconds, unanimous.

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

Steering committee meets most Mondays, not this week.

APS upgrade has also been pushed back 10 months, possibly coinciding with the timeframe of the award of new COMPRES/GSECARS organization.

Steering committee will constitute an independent search committee for the PI. Tom Duffy will appoint the chair. Suggestion that the PI should have a say in the structure and governance of new organization. Interview will include asking PI for vision about this structure. Discussion of the role of Steering committee vs. PI in setting vision for new organization. Steering committee

has been putting off making some decisions because solicitation not published. A lot of Steering committee activity has been reports on facilities. Meeting frequency will be reduced.

1:16 Update on the Nominations Committee (Carl)

Aiming for minimum of 2 people per open position. Nominations committee has found minimum nominees for all but 3 positions.

1:10 Annual Meeting update (Tom)

Meeting this year will be longer, 1 ½ or 2 days. August 12-13 are the dates. Rebecca Fischer is program chair. Central office will announce save the date to community ASAP. Will include Zoom social hour.

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

An update of the submission of the year-5 budget was given.

Will travel be fundable soon? We can ask NSF for supplement after the next year's funding awarded. GSECARS requested travel funding (assuming e.g. AGU will run).

1:38 APS upgrade (Mark)

Announcement at APS users' meeting that APS upgrade postponed 10 months. Ring goes down 1 year starting April 17, 2023. No impact on cost or completion time. Most of slip due to delays from vendors. Beamlines expected to be back to full capabilities ~3-6 months after beam comes back.

NSLS II is accepting limited in person experiments. APS started to accept in-person users 2021-1. Needs at least 1 month lead time for DOE approval of special justification for on-site work. 2-3 in person users at GSECARS 2021-1, aiming for increase in next cycle.

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