

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

Absent: Lily Thompson (EOID Committee).

### **Agenda Friday, September 11, 2020, 12:45 PM CDT**

**12:45 CDT Approval minutes from August 28, 2020 (in Dropbox) (Andy)**

**12:50 Future of the Sector 3 at APS subaward (Carl, Mark)**

**1:00 LVMAP Zoom meeting (Carl)**

**1:10 Update on the request for Facilities annual reports (Mark)**

**1:15 Release of the NSF Dear Colleague Letter**

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**1:20 Discussion of COMPRES-GSECARS Merger (All)**

**1:45 PM Adjourn**

### **Minutes**

**12:45 Approval of minutes**

Motion by Anat, seconded by Heather, approved unanimously.

**12:49 Future of the Sector 3 at APS subaward (Carl, Mark)**

Mark will be overseeing facility in year 4 to onboard new beamline scientist ASAP. For year 5, ExComm reaches consensus that Sector 3 should continue to be managed by Chicago. Continuity will reduce overhead costs and ensure employment stability for beamline scientist. Potential COMPRES/GSECARS merger also may impact structure of subawards after year 5. Need to still offer COMPRES community opportunity to be involved in this program (concern about appearance of COI). Possibility of offering workshop to talk about future directions or discussing future of program as part of COMPRES/GSECARS merger. Need to communicate clearly to community reason why Sector 3 award is moving to Chicago for rest of COMPRES IV.

**1:09 LVMAP Zoom meeting (Carl)**

37 people expressed interest in meeting next week via Doodle poll. Meeting may be recorded. Best time is 2 pm Mountain time Wednesday 9/16. Which institution will host facility is major question, and few institutions have \$1 million required match funding available. Potential for >1 simultaneous MRI proposal for LVMAP? Will make a call for 5-minute presentations at this Zoom workshop.

**1:33 Update on the request for Facilities annual reports (Mark)**

David Lambert requested additional information from COMPRES breaking down users by NSF funding program, for comparison to GSECARS. NSF would like COMPRES and GSECARS reporting to be uniform.

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Letter cites COMPRES and GSECARS as structure for current capabilities.

### **1:42 Discussion of COMPRES-GSECARS Merger (All)**

Due to time pressure, we need to make sure to make plans for Town Hall meeting soon. Not much feedback came in when we put together the white paper on the merger, but perhaps now that this merger is happening, we will get more feedback from community. Decisions to be made before proposal submission include where will the central office be, and how will the management unit be structured. Need to sketch out a few straw man proposals as candidates for community to debate. Plan to have an ad hoc COMPRES + GSECARS executive meeting (or several meetings) to brainstorm and develop management structures.

### **2:03 PM Adjourn**