

Minutes of the COMPRES Executive Committee meeting of 16 May 2014

Present: J Bass (President), P Burnley (Chair), A Campbell, Y Fei, J Jackson, J Tyburczy, Q Williams

Absent: A Kavner

Start time: 1:00 East coast time, by teleconference

AGENDA

Approval of agenda

Approval of the 2 May 2014 minutes

Update on Meeting Program and other Annual Meeting matters (Campbell, Bass)

Budget update (JB)

PUP for LVP/DAC project at XPD beamline of NSLS-II (PB)

Unofficial policy on reporting numerical votes on action items in minutes (PB)

Executive Session

0. JT moved, JJ second on approving the agenda. Approved 5 Yes, 0 No.

1. Approval of the minutes: Corrections were pointed out. JJ motioned to approve, JT second. Approved 5 Yes, 0 No.

2. Annual Meeting: AC summarized recent activity of the program committee. The committee now has abstracts to fill in the program. The President summarized the demographics of those who registered. Those selected for orals, posters, and cameos need to be notified.

3. Budget update: The NSF Grants office has approved budget with an extremely quick turnaround time, and is now processing the budget. Sub-awards are being pre-processed at U Illinois and funds will go out to sub-awardees as soon as funds hit campus.

4. Partner User Agreement for D. Weidner project at XPD, S Dierker cover letter, and reviewer comments: Consternation expressed. Only 20% of the total beamtime is allocated to the Weidner/XPD/COMPRES project. 75% of that time is to go to the highest-ranked geoscience proposals from the General User pool. The agreement is between D Weidner of Stony Brook University and NSLS-II, not involving COMPRES as a signatory partner. Because the agreement runs 15 months past the end of the current COMPRES Cooperative Agreement, the President could not sign the agreement even if requested. The EC expressed reservations about the terms of the agreement.

5. Reporting of vote counts in the minutes: If a vote is taken by a 'voice vote', then it is permissible not to report the vote. COMPRES policy will be: It is the prerogative of any Executive Committee member to request a vote count for any action item, in which case the vote count will be reported in the minutes. Otherwise, numerical outcomes of votes will not be recorded in the public minutes.

6. Executive session. AC will be included in the session. The President leaves the meeting at 2:19 Eastern time.

Notes by JDB and JT