

Minutes of the COMPRES Executive Committee meeting of 6 September 2013

Present: J Bass, P Burnley, A Campbell, Y Fei, A Kavner, Q Williams

Absent: J Jackson, J Tyburezy

Start time: 1:00 Eastern Time

1. Update on NSLS-II beamlines (Burnley, Bass)

A high-pressure end station is planned for the D hutch of the XPD Project beamline at the NSLS-II. As a Project beamline, XPD should be open on the first day of operations of NSLS-II. Don Weidner and Lars Ehm are the spokespersons for the high-pressure end station, which will include Large Volume Press and DAC experiments.

As presented at an NSLS-II workshop in August 2013, the NSLS-II project is ahead of schedule and on budget. The high-pressure project is also on schedule. Pam Burnley and Jay Bass visited the D hutch at XPD during the August NSLS-II workshop, at which Bass and Weidner gave presentations.

The research plan and management of the XPD beamline effort was discussed.

The high-pressure IR beamline (FIS, Zhenxian Liu and Rus Hemley spokespersons) has been approved as a NxtGen beamline and it targeted to open in the first half of 2016.

The ExComm will request detailed plans and timelines for the FIS and XPD projects as part of the annual reports that is requested on approximately Oct. 1.

2. Update on proposed beamlines at the APS

COMPRES is moving ahead with beamlines at 6BM (whitebeam for LVP), and 13BMC (DAC). These beamlines will help cover the dark period caused by the transition from NSLS to NSLS-II.

3. Budget supplement requests to NSF.

Bass submitted a supplemental funding request for equipment needed for the new APS beamlines at sectors 6 and 13.

4. 2014 Annual Meeting: Dates and venue: End dates for schools on the quarter system: The 2014 COMPRES Annual Meeting will be on the west coast. The Central Office has been obtaining information on possible venues, with the target window of June 16-28 for the 4-day Annual Meeting.

5. COMPRES & DEFORM EarthCube Workshop: An EarthCube meeting is scheduled for Nov. 12-14. A workshop website is at <http://www.energy.psu.edu/EarthCUBE/workshop.html>

6. Possible ways of improving communications from the COMPRES Central Office to the community were discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 15:15 Eastern Time      Notes by JDB