

Minutes of the COMPRES Executive Committee Meeting 22 January 2016

Present: Carl Agee (President) Abby Kavner (Chair), Wendy Panero (Vice Chair/Secretary), Heather Watson, Steve Jacobsen, Mark Rivers, Quentin Williams, Jennifer Jackson.

Absent: none

Start 10:00 AM PST

AGENDA

- 10:00 Consent agenda: approve minutes and notes from 8 January 2016 (Abby)
- 10:05 COMPRES-Central update (Carl)
- 10:20 Report from Facilities committee for ExComm action (Mark)
- 10:30 Nominations Committee (Steven)

MINUTES

10:00 Consent agenda: Minutes & notes from last meeting, 8 January 2016 (Abby)
WP move, JJ second, approved by unanimous voice vote.

10:05 COMPRES-Central update (Carl)

CA placed a Planning Document/straw man for the renewal proposal in Dropbox for comments. Call for projects from community needs to be sent out. He needs to get an announcement out by the end of the month for new initiatives, workshops, etc.

CA had phone conversation with Przemek Dera about the future of COMTECH, expanding scope and possibly transferring it to the Central Office.

CA had email exchange with David Lambert about the AGU Town Hall. CA plans to visit NSF in the near future to discuss proposal planning.

There is an upcoming (1/27) telecon with John Hill for updates on the DOE budget, NSLS-II, FIS, and the offline IR lab.

JJ asks if we are calling for 1-pagers soon? CA replies yes. AK has target deadlines in the Google calendar, 1-pagers are called for early February.

JJ reminds us that a workshop on single crystal research hosted by APS and ALS would be desirable to have this year.

QW asks about the NSLS-II offline IR PUA regarding COMPRES roles and responsibilities. Reminds us that we cannot sign off on it, if it commits funds beyond COMPRES III, and that only CA can obligate COMPRES. CA is still waiting (as of 11 days ago) on a promised revision of the PUA from NSLS-II management.

SJ updates us on the National Academy's seismology and geodynamic committee. This opens a discussion with QW and MR on cross communication between COMPRES and similar organizations (CIG, IRIS)

10:20 Report from Facilities Committee for ExComm action (Mark)

The Report has been put in Dropbox.

The Report is a recommendation, but not the final budget decision. The budget proposal is CA's task. After that, the budget is presented to the ExComm for discussion and approval.

QW: the Facilities Committee didn't come to a consensus on the timing of purchase of the Vertex FTIR spectrometer for NSLS-II. Based on the NSLS-II budget from DOE (passed by Congress), which got their funding, would allow the FIS project to start soon. The current FTIR spectrometer will be moved to ALS.

Will vote after QW leaves the telecon (COI).

10:30 Nominations Committee (Steven)

Have 7 spots to fill. Wants recommendations from ExComm for committee people. Several names were mentioned from email discussions.

QW leaves the telecon (COI). Added to end of meeting: vote to receive the facilities report. WP move, JJ second, approved by unanimous voice vote.

Adjourn 10:59 AM PST

WP move, JJ second, approved by unanimous voice vote.