Minutes of the 25 February 2011 meeting of the COMPRES Executive Committee

Present: J Bass, P Burnley, P Dera, T Duffy, R Liebermann, W Panero, J Tyburczy, J van Orman, D Weidner

Not present: Nancy Ross,

Start Time: 2:00 East Coast Time

1. Approval of the minutes of the Feb. 18 meeting. (Duffy) To be done by email vote.

2. Update on report of the Site Review of NSLS COMPRES-Supported Facilities (Panero).

The committee report is ready and has been circulated. 12 of 13 users polled for opinions responded. Facilities websites should be brought into uniformity to the standard of X17B3/C. Google Sites was mentioned as easy to use and should be considered for updating websites.

3. Update on program committee (Tyburczy) The committee has received some responses and is waiting for others.

4. Update on Nominations Committee (Dera)

3 Committee members are making good progress on assembling a slate of candidates. A meeting via phone conference is scheduled to get the slate of candidates finalized. A letter from Bass to the community was sent to the committee for approval.

5. Update on Long Range Planning Working Group (Weidner)

The Advisory Council suggested looking into possible E&O efforts. NSF program managers and others suggest looking into ways of partnering with other groups/consortia. Glenn Richard has worked with Dave Mogt on Deep Earth E&O efforts. This is worth continuing.

A meeting with LRPWG members is scheduled.

The program InSynC at the NSLS should be looked at as a possible model for a future effort.

6. NSLS II .

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DOE funding levels for the year are uncertain. A small ad-hoc study group will be formed to develop various possible themes for COMPRES efforts at NSLS-II and other synchrotron facilities.

Joining forces with the XPD (powder diffraction) beamline at NSLS-II is a possibility. Coordinating with the rock mechanics community should be explored.

COMPRES needs to consider the beamtime allocation policies at NSLS-II.

Opportunities complementary to NSLSII exist.

Returned to the topic of E&O: 17 responses to Pam Burnley's survey have been received so far. Another email will be distribution via the listserve inviting people to take the survey.

Meeting adjourned at 4:04 PM