

## **Minutes of the COMPRES Executive Committee Meeting 20 November 2015**

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

Absent: Wendy Panero (Vice Chair)

Start 8:00 PST

### **AGENDA**

- 8:00 Consent agenda: Minutes & notes from last meeting, 13 Nov. 2015 (Abby)
- 8:05 Update on transfer of COMPRES Central Office (Carl)
- 8:10 Planned site visit SLAC/Stanford (Carl)
- 8:15 Vote to approve the Annual Meeting venue (Carl)
- 8:20 Annual Meeting planning and timeline (Jennifer)
- 8:30 AGU Town Hall Meeting (Carl)
- 8:45 Discussion committee oversight Chicago/GSECARS gas loading project (Abby)

### **MINUTES**

#### **Consent agenda: Minutes & notes from last meeting, 13 Nov. 2015 (Abby)**

JJ moved to approve, QW second, approved by voice vote.

#### **Update on transfer of COMPRES Central Office (Carl)**

The COMPRES grant is set up with an index at UNM and is now billable.

The sub-awards are being processed and will be released soon.

CA sent two letters, to UCSC and UIUC, guaranteeing their sub-awards.

The purchase of the micromanipulator (major equipment) for APS is in progress.

The COMPRES domain name transfer to UNM was requested by Steve Hurst at UIUC yesterday. We also need to get the COMPRES announcement mailing list transferred to UNM.

#### **Planned site visit SLAC/Stanford (Carl)**

CA will be hosted by Ariana Gleason and Wendy Mao this coming Monday. Tours of the MEC, LCLS, SSRL, and campus facilities are scheduled. Meetings with MEC manager, LCLS Director, HED Director and SLAC Director are planned.

#### **Vote to approve the Annual Meeting venue (Carl)**

CA requested a vote on having the annual meeting at the Tamaya Hyatt north of Albuquerque. June 19-23, 2016. COMPRES is ready to pay the deposit, Tamaya has graciously held our reservation during the long delay in the COMPRES transfer.

JJ moved to approve, SJ second, approved by voice vote.

#### **Annual Meeting planning and timeline (Jennifer)**

Henry Scott and JJ have begun planning for the Annual Meeting agenda. JJ circulated last year's planning schedule for reference. There was general consensus that we would like to announce the Annual Meeting before AGU (mailing list, plus other professional

distribution lists), and follow that up with announcements at AGU MRP reception and the COMPRES Town Hall Meeting. CA agreed to send out invitations to our NSF program contacts. JJ noted that selecting the keynote speakers is first order of business. She plans to talk to people at AGU for guest speaker suggestions. CA noted that we would like to start registration for the meeting early in 2016, AK suggested Feb-March timeframe for registration. AK asked if we should include the Advisory committee in our invitations. JJ asked if we should have an Advisory Committee lunch at AGU, CA will contact them to see if there is interest. JJ mentioned that the other Annual Meeting Committee members are Henry Scott, Ann Pommier and Alisha Clark (student rep).

### **AGU Town Hall Meeting (Carl)**

COMPRES will have a Town Hall Meeting, Fall AGU, at the San Francisco Marriott Marquis, Salons 1-2, Thu, 12/17 @ 18:00-19:30, "Renewal Proposal Planning". It was suggested by MR that we request 5-minute presentations by current PIs and potential PIs. CA will make announcements to the mailing list and other professional distribution lists (e.g. MSA) next week.

### **Committee reports**

MR request to give quick report that he and Steve Sutton, (directors of GSECARS) met with David Lambert and program managers in EAR, including I&F, Geophysics, Geochemistry & Petrology, Tectonics, and Carol Frost (Division Director). The new DOE BES (Basic Energy Sciences) Geosciences Program director Jim Rustad was there. This DOE program also contributes funding for GSECARS. DOE/BES is onboard with continuing GSECARS collaboration with NSF.

MR is recused and leaves the meeting.

### **Discussion committee oversight Chicago/GSECARS gas loading project (Abby) (CONTINUED)**

(AK) Two issues: First: is there a conflict of interest? Second: if so, what to do about it?  
1: Consensus is that there is a conflict of interest. The chair of the committee is the PI of the gas loading proposal and the vice chair is a member of the institution. The remaining committee members do not represent a plurality, so cannot act on report & budget request.

2: Best idea is to temporarily move consideration of this project to EOID committee.  
QW makes motion: That the executive committee moves consideration of the gas loading report/budget request to the EOID committee for at least this round. Unanimous yes vote.

AK followed up with telephone call to Mark Rivers.

QW makes motion to adjourn. JJ second.  
Adjourn 9:00 AM PST