

Minutes of the 25 March 2011 Executive Committee meeting of COMPRES

Start time: 2:00 Eastern Time

Present: Bass, Dera, Duffy, Liebermann, Panero, Ross, Tyburczy, Weidner

Absent: van Orman (giving a COMPRES lecture), Burnley

1. The Infrastructure Development committee will be sent proposals for the renewal for their review. This would be consistent with the 2006 proposal procedure.

2. Approval of the minutes of the 4 March meeting (Duffy)

Approved unanimously.

3. Update on the Program for Annual Meeting (Tyburczy)

All keynotes are lined up. Registration target is to open 1st week of April.

On the registration page students will be able to indicate that: a) they are a student, and b) whether they want to give a poster, be considered for an oral presentation, or none.

Post doc status will be noted as well.

All agreed that COMPRES should continue the student scholarships.

4. Possible Cuts in the COMPRES year 5 budget:

David Lambert approved our submitted budget for Year 5, at \$2.4M. However, depending on congressional budget actions in the coming weeks or months, we should have contingency plans for a 2%-5% budget cut.

Bass will work on draft alternate budgets.

5. Progress on obtaining 1-page summaries for the renewal proposal (Bass)

We now have 53. In 2006 the renewal had about 116.

Chong-Hwey will generate a summary.

6. Meeting of Weidner, Duffy, Bass, Ehm with the XPD project beamline Beamline Advisory Team (Weidner).

This was a meeting about the possibility of having a hutch at the XPD beamline for high-pressure studies at NSLS II. The XPD beamline is a Project beamline, one of the first six that will be built with the construction funds for the NSLS II. Bass, Duffy, and Weidner described COMPRES activities at its facilities, and the XPD BAT described the beamline characteristics and their proposal for the beamline.

7. Update on new Facility and Infrastructure Development proposals for the renewal. (Bass)

Three proposals have been received with the possibility of 2 more that have been promised soon.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 PM.