# NSSA Executive Committee Minutes of the conference phone call 11:30am ET, 6/2/05 (action items in bold red)

#### Present on the conference call:

Dave Belanger (DB) Franz Trouw (FT) Shenda Baker (SB) Simon Billinge (SJB) Rob Briber (RB) Greg Smith (GS)

#### Missing:

Jim Jorgensen (JJ) Susan Krueger (SK)

## Agenda

- 1.) Accept minutes from 5/5/05 conference call Documents distributed by Simon
- 2.) Update on ACNS 2006 (Rob)
- 3.) Felcher/Pynn Workshop (Rob)
- 4.) NSSA elections
- 5.) Continued discussion of NSSA prizes (Simon and Susan)
  Discussion of NSSA Fellows
  Document circulated by Shenda and Greg
- **6.) Other Business**

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#### **Discussions:**

1.) Accept minutes from 5/5/05 conference call Documents distributed by Simon

Accepted with minor changes.

### 2.) Update on ACNS 2006 (Rob)

Not a lot to tell. DB & RB participating in conference calls. Funding commitments from most places (except LANSCE). BNL and Canadians want to commit, they are working on it. RB collecting names suitable for the program co-chair to serve with Art Schultz (outside person). Each person on the committee forward two names of (a) willing to do the work (b) not assistant professor (c) non-diffraction person.

### 3.) Felcher/Pynn Workshop (Rob)

The information and nomination materials are now posted on the NSSA website. Applications are being collected by the workshop organizer and will be forwarded.

#### 4.) NSSA elections

Will be done in the fall by email ballot. We need to work on a slate of candidates. RB: should we combine it with program co-chair request? FT: why not have someone on the committee stay on the committee to provide continuity and shepherd through the meeting. Greg Smith has agreed to serve again as membership secretary. President needs to be non-lab person. Other positions are not restricted, but treasurer should be non-lab person. Everyone provide some names and affiliations (4-5) for ACNS co-chair and excom candidates. This should be done in the few days after the conf call. SJB will work with RB on the slate.

### 5.) Continued discussion of NSSA prizes (Simon and Susan)

Discussion of NSSA Fellows Document circulated by Shenda and Greg Call for nominations for all prizes due 11/1/05. Committees will report: Shull Prize by 12/02/05, Other prizes by 12/16/05. Nomination package for Shull Prize vs. packages. RB will update the Shull-prize announcement and send them out. DB: make it clear that there are 3 distinct prizes. DB There is some ambiguity about whether the prize should go to a single person or multiple people. RB remove explicit references to groups or multiple modifications in the award announcements, but accept that the award could be made to more than one person at the discretion of the award committee under exceptional circumstances.

### **6.) Other Business**

Next call: try and schedule it for 11 or 12 July.

Call ended 12:27 pm Respectfully submitted, Simon Billinge, 6/2/05