

**NSSA Executive Committee
Conference Call Minutes, 8/4/14**

Chris Leighton (Secretary), 8/5/14

Present: Stephan Rosenkranz (SR)
Chris Leighton (CL)
Mike Crawford (MC)
Julie Borchers (JB)
Norm Wagner (NW)
Chris Wiebe (CW)
Mark Lumsden (ML)

Absent: Ron Jones (RJ)
Tonya Kuhl (TK)

Agenda:

1. Adoption of minutes from 7/2/2014 (CL/All).
2. Date for next conference call (SR/CL/All).
3. LANSCE follow up from ACNS (Bourke, McQueen, Dehmer) (SR/All).
4. ACNS "debriefing" (JB/All).
5. Next ACNS venue (SR/All).
6. Candidates for open Exec Comm positions (CL/All).
7. AOB.

Discussion Minutes (by agenda item number):

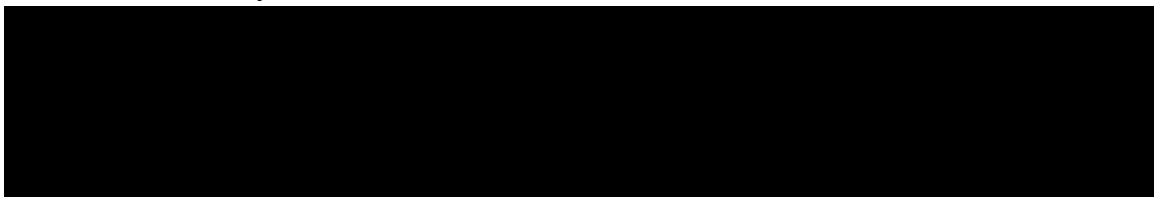
1. Approval of minutes

The minutes from 7/2/14 were adopted with no corrections and no objections.

2. Date for next conference call

After some discussion, **Wednesday Sep 10th at 11:00 am (central)** was agreed upon. CL will send an email reminder on 09/09/14, along with a proposed agenda.

3. LANSCE follow up from ACNS





4. ACNS “debriefing”

JB noted that she had nothing to add over previous discussions; as discussed with MC, final resolution of financial matters with MRS is expected to take several months. This precipitated a substantial discussion between MC, SR, JB, CL and NW regarding the current NSSA finances and the future possibilities of endowing prizes and/or earmarking funds specifically for ACNS liability issues. MC mentioned that seeking professional advice with regard to the tax implications for such actions would be essential. On a separate ACNS matter, SR and ML also discussed posting of photography from the ACNS meeting on the NSSA website, along with some mention of the successful ACNS meeting. ML agreed to do this.

5. Next ACNS venue

SR first relayed opinions from the LANSCE management that the next ACNS conference should likely not be planned for Santa Fe. After some discussion of the required timeline and likely size of the conference (considering DOE travel regulations), potential venues with a relatively high concentration of academic neutron scatterers were discussed. Discussion focused on UCSD, UCSB and Delaware. UCSB with [REDACTED] as a potential local contact was discussed favorably and CW was charged with approaching Seshadri. The onsite ICMR was mentioned as a means to facilitate planning. CL and CW noted that they will both attend a workshop at this facility in the month of August, and agreed to follow-up onsite if necessary. UCSD was decided upon as a potential alternate location.

6. Candidates for open Exec Comm positions

CL relayed to the committee that the following names had been suggested (by email):

[REDACTED] MC confirmed that he is willing to run again for the Treasurer position. Discussion then centered on the VP and Secretary positions, [REDACTED]. After substantial discussion between the majority of the committee, [REDACTED]. SR agreed to approach these to

determine their willingness to be considered for the position. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It was agreed that the Secretary position will be tackled after the two names for VP are secured.

7. AOB

None raised.

Action items

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