

CNMS UEC Agenda, Thursday, May 5, 2016

12:00 pm Eastern Time

Participants (attendees in blue)

Chair – Molly Kennedy (Clemson U.)

Vice-Chair – Lane Martin (U. California, Berkeley)

Secretary – Yang Zhang (U. Illinois)

At-Large Members:

Alex Belianinov (ORNL/CNMS); Kathrin Dörr, (MLU Halle-Wittenberg); Eric Formo (U. Georgia); Enrique Gomez (Penn State U.); Megan Robertson (U. Houston); Evgheni Strelcov (NIST); Rafael Verduzco (Rice U.)

Past Chair, *ex officio* member – Nazanin Bassiri-Gharb (Georgia Tech)

CNMS (non-members) – Tony Haynes, Brad Lokitz, Sandy Lowe

- **Review planned agenda and add any items missed (All)**
 - **Confirm change of upcoming meeting dates (Molly)**
 - New dates for July and August meetings are 6/30 and 7/28 respectively; 7/28 meeting time 2pm EDT
 - **Sandy/Tony** will send Outlook calendar updates
 - Keep original 8/4 meeting time as contingency for Enrique and Eric to resolve last-minute User Meeting items if needed.
 - **Huge thanks** to Molly, Yang, Eric and Lane for representing UEC at the Triennial Review 4/26-27 at ORNL
 - **User Meeting**
 - Update on invited speakers (Lane, Kathrin, Eric)
 - Plenary- One confirmed, one still open, next alternate TBD
 - Invited- Nine confirmed, three invitations pending
 - Website status: URL distributed 5/4 for review and testing
 - **All**- Review and test website; provide feedback to Sandy and Tony by Fri, 5/13
 - List of confirmed speakers should be added to website
 - **Eric/Enrique**- Send updated list of confirmed speakers to Sandy by Fri, 5/13
 - First Announcement to be distributed 5/16 (**Sandy**)
 - **News from CNMS (Tony)**
 - Suggestion box – no new submissions
 - 2016B Proposal Call – 203 proposals, including ~100 that arrived overnight; submissions closed
 - Triennial Review – CNMS internal assessment is that it went well overall, no big surprises
 - Four great user talks!- outstanding science with emphasis on benefits and uniqueness of CNMS
 - Reviewer Q&A session on final morning had several themes:
 - New capabilities for users that might arise from each Theme- 17 opportunities identified including multimodal/multiplatform characterization, theory and computational methods, directed assembly and fabrication
 - Plans for getting external funding, especially to support postdocs
 - User base, outreach and distribution- Metric: Fraction of projects each year with first-time PI is approximately 50%, including 70% of those (35% of all projects) being first-time PIs from outside ORNL/UT locus
 - UEC lunch: Reviewers were interested in determining whether UEC had resources it needed for its function
 - UEC comment: Turnover of UEC membership between reviews makes preparation difficult, hard to anticipate lines of query; can we capture any “lessons” to pass along for future reviews?
 - **Molly called for volunteers** to join a subgroup that will work with Hans, Tony to identify best approaches to collect additional demographic data on PIs and Users
 - Adjourned 12:35 EDT
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Subcommittee Appointments: Leads are **Bold**

- User Meeting Team: Bobby, **Enrique, Eric**, Evgheni, Kathrin, Lane, Megan, **Molly**, Rafael, Yang, Nazanin
- Graduate Student Poster Session at User Meeting: **Evgheni**, Megan, Bobby, Eric
- Newsletter: **Brad**, Yang

- LinkedIn: **Alex**, Yang, Molly
- User Satisfaction Survey Analysis: **Molly**, Lane, Kathrin, Nazanin
- CNMS Strategic Plan and Review Document to be sent to Hans: **Molly**, Lane, Nazanin
- Minutes from UEC Meetings and Agenda: Sandy, Tony, Molly, Lane, Yang, Brad

Next Conference Call: June 2, Thursday, 12:00pm, Eastern Time