

CNMS UEC Agenda – Thursday, June 30, 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

- **Proposal submission portal status**
 - UEC still awaiting meeting confirmation from Tony and Hans
- **Proposal call results**
 - 202 proposals were received May 4; peer reviews and decisions complete
 - 133 proposals approved (66%), includes 4 that were also awarded neutron time as part of CNMS project
 - Discussed issue of missing reviews, especially in cases of divergent opinions
 - Suggestion to pilot a “stand-by” reviewer arrangement in next proposal call
 - Project Extension requests for 2015B projects- deadline 6/29: 48 received of 117 eligible (41%); 25 approved with 23 still in review; approvals include 5 partial approvals where request exceeded original project scope
- **2016 User Meeting**
 - All Plenary and Invited speakers have been confirmed
 - Evgheni and Nazanin have assembled a judging roster for the poster session
 - **All-** Make travel plans with Sandy for the UEC meeting by the first week of July if you have not already
 - Abstracts- 75 received, 15 contributed oral spots available (also accepted one late abstract for 76 total)
 - Decisions on oral presentations for each of the sessions? All selections are nearly final
 - **Session leads** notify Tony, Brad, Sandy when selections are final, before COB 7/1, so they can notify speakers
 - Floor plan approved for up to 64 posters to accommodate all abstracts not selected for oral
- **UEC Annual Election**
 - Please start advertising positions on the UEC with your colleagues and reach out. Candidates are needed for Vice Chair and four At-Large members
 - **Sandy** will email call for nominations to User Group on 7/11; includes 1495 eligible members
- **User Meeting 2017**
 - Dates recommended by SHUG: week of July 31-Aug. 4, 2017 (Many thanks Lane for coordination with SHUG)
 - Tony reported no conflicts with major conferences, only issue is smaller event scheduled for ORNL Conf Center
 - **UPDATE:** Conference Center has been reserved for our joint user meeting the week of July 31-Aug 4, 2017
 - SHUG plans to announce the dates at American Conf on Neutron Scattering (7/10-14)
- **Other News from CNMS (Tony)**
 - Suggestion box- No submissions this month
- **Adjourn 12:40**

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: July 28, Thursday, 2:00pm, Eastern Time

Note change of time to accommodate GRC attendees