

# CNMS UEC Agenda – Thursday, October 12, 2017

## 12:00 pm Eastern Time

### Participants (attendees in blue)

**Chair** – Lane Martin (U. California, Berkeley)

**Vice-Chair** – Eric Formo (U. Georgia)

**Secretary** – Yang Zhang (U. Illinois)

### **At-Large Members:**

Alex Belianinov (ORNL/CNMS); Valentino Cooper (ORNL); Kathrin Dörr (MLU Halle-Wittenberg);

Ben Lawrie (ORNL); Matthew McDowell (Georgia Tech); Adam Moule (U. California, Davis);

Evgheni Strelcov (NIST)

**Past Chair, ex officio member** – Molly Kennedy (Clemson U.)

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

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### **2018 CNMS User Meeting – August 13-17, 2018 (Lane, Eric)**

- Decided on specific days in that week (1-2 days for workshops + 1 day for meeting)
  - Workshops will be held Aug 13 and 15; User Meeting will be on Aug 14
  - Eric suggested a more open structure to the meeting with fewer sessions/tracks and more time for interactions with users/staff/labs, etc.
  - Comments?

### **Revision of Proposal Review Criteria (Brad, Tony)**

- New reviewer form is set to go live for this call cycle, 2018A
- The reviewer form is posted on the CNMS website under [For Users >> User Policies](#)
- Call for Proposal deadline is October 18, 2017
- Other updates or suggestions?
  - Add a box for comments to CNMS Internal User Office only that will not be shared with PI; can include reviewer feedback on proposal process or issues with a specific proposal

### **Election update and procedure (Lane)**

- Voting opened October 4 – Reminders are important as deadline gets closer!
  - FRI 10/27 – deadline for voting; ballot will remain live until first thing MON morning 10/30
  - MON 10/30 – results will be distributed to UEC Secretary and Chair for certification
  - THU 11/2 [UEC teleconference] – share results, break ties if needed
  - FRI 11/3 – inform candidates of results
  - MON 11/6 – inform User Group of results

### **2017 CNMS Division Awards (Tony) - information files distributed earlier**

- Annual call for nominations for 2017 CNMS Division Awards has been announced
- UEC members are eligible to nominate CNMS researchers for any of the categories  
Tony distributed several helpful resource to UEC earlier including:
  - Excel workbook listing nominations submitted via the online “Thank a Staff Member” page during the past 12 months (separate tab lists number of “hits” for each person named);
  - CNMS org chart to assist in identifying postdocs as well as staff members;
  - List of current user projects: <https://www.ornl.gov/facility/cnms/subpage/active-user-projects>;
  - Publication list: <https://www.ornl.gov/facility/cnms/subpage/publication-list>;
  - Collection of CNMS Research Highlights: <https://www.ornl.gov/facility/cnms/subpage/research>
- Send nominations by October 29th to [Lynn Smalley](#) (or Tony can forward)

### **Update on web-portal discussion (Tony)**

- On hold pending FY18 budget clarity; expect project start in FY18 but may not complete before FY19

### **Transition to 2018 UEC (Lane, Eric)**

- Probably worth doing some housekeeping on what we want/need to accomplish by the end of 2017 and get started in 2018
  - Ideas/feedback from entire UEC welcome
- Results of the CNMS User Satisfaction Survey will be distributed to UEC before the next meeting (Tony)
  - UEC subcommittee to summarize and develop recommendations: Matt, Eric, Ben
  - Summary will be shared with the UEC for feedback.
  - Summary and recommendations will then go to CNMS administration for comment/action

### **Suggestion box (Tony) – is empty**

### **Other topics**

- Suggestion: Explore opportunities to partner with SNS/HFIR to “market” CNMS capabilities to biomaterials community, which is seen as a growth area for neutron scattering
  - Tony to discuss with Hans and bring feedback to next meeting

Adjourned 12:44 Eastern Time

**Next Conference Call: November 2, 2017, 12:00pm, Eastern Time**