CNMS UEC Agenda – Thursday, May 11, 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:
(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

Status and Action Items:

- Last invited speaker: Requested to be added to User Meeting website
- Abstract review/sorting sub-committee: Evgheni, Matt, Adam, Valentino, Molly, Ben, Lane
- Email announcement forthcoming (Tony/Sandy)
- Confirm plenary/invited talk titles: Tony will include in formal invite letter/email

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- **2017 Nanoscience and Neutron Scattering User Meeting** update: (Eric)
  - Meeting format/schedule – (*as approved in April*)
  - Agenda to be finalized with speaker allocations
  - Updates and questions
    - Registration and Abstract Submission opened May 3
      - Abstract submitters will be asked to create an account to track their abstracts
    - Be sure to register!
  - Abstraction Submission
    - Committee to read/sort abstracts, work with SHUG counterparts to make cohesive program: Evgheni, Matt, Adam, Valentino, Molly, Ben, Lane
    - Authors to indicate first and second preference of topic area
      - Abstract submission open – May 3 to June 7
      - Abstract sorting (poster vs. talk) – by June 14; floorplan and poster space pending
      - Abstract selection telecon – June 19
      - Abstract notification – June 21
      - Abstract book released – June 28
- **2017B Proposal Call:** (Tony)
  - 230 new user proposals, a new record! 15% higher than previous record one year ago
  - 25 proposals request new instruments (AFM-TOF-SIMS, NanoIR, MALDI-TOF with Imaging)
  - 7 from industry include General Motors, Procter & Gamble, Honda, Oxford Instruments, Carl Zeiss, Syngenta Crop Protection
  - 56% from outside TN, including 34 proposals (15%) from outside the US
  - Decisions to be made June 23, notifications last week of June
  - UEC question: What fraction of PIs suggest reviewers? A: about half; 54% in this cycle.
  - UEC question: Do you consider their suggestions when assigning reviewers? A: yes.
- **Suggestion Box** – no new submissions this month (Tony)

Adjourned 12:15p Eastern Time

Next Conference Call: June 8, Thursday, 12:00pm, Eastern Time
User Meeting Subcommittee: May 25, Thursday, 12:00pm, Eastern Time