

MINUTES
Executive Committee Meeting
Radiation Protection and Shielding Division

Hyatt Regency Hotel: Vinnings Room
Monday, June 15, 2009, 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Present

Officers:

John S. Hendricks, LANL, Chair (2009), jxh@lanl.gov
Robert Hayes, WIPP, Vice-Chair/Newsletter (2009), Robert.hayes@wipp.ws
Charlotta Sanders, Holtec International, Secretary (2009), c.sanders@holtec.com
F. Arzu Alpan, Westinghouse, Treasurer (2009), alpanfa@westinghouse.com

Executive Committee: (year term expires)

Dick Amato, Bettis (2011), amators@bettis.gov
Dave Court, LANL (2011), davec@lanl.gov
Michele Ferenci, Penn State (2011), michele.sutton@mingspring.com
Everett L. Redmond (2010), elr@nei.org
X. George Xu (2010), xug2@rpi.edu (sent proxie: Wayne Newhauser, wnewhauser@mdanderson.org)

RPSD Members:

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Tom Jordan, EMPC, tj@empc.com
Scott Mosher, ORNL, moshersw@ornl.gov
Jeff Hoole, KAPL, hoole@kapl.gov

1. Call to order (5:05 P.M.) – John Hendricks, Chair

- John Hendricks provided introduction to the meeting and initiated a quorum count and identified proxies
- Agenda and attendance sheet were circulated

2. Student Conference Report – Christopher Perfetti, University of Florida

- The ANS student conference (April 1-5, 2009) was very successful with over 500 attendees
- RPSD were thanked for the support of the conference (\$1,500 sponsorship)

3. Upcoming ANS Student Conference – Students from University of Michigan

- The next ANS student conference (April 8-10, 2010) is being held at University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- Students asked for RPSD's support and for volunteers to help out as mentors and judges at the conference.

4. Action Items

- The meeting minutes from last RPSD Executive Committee meeting (November 2008) were approved as is.
- Arzu Alpan, Treasurer, reviewed the budget (see attachment). The only spending this year was a loan of \$6,000 to RPSD Las Vegas topical meeting.
- A discussion and motion took place to give \$2,000 in support to the ANS student conference. The motion was passed.
- A discussion took place regarding the level of the financial support of the RPSD student member. Numerous motions were suggested. After voting, it was decided that \$300 would be offered to the RPSD student member in support of attending the ANS conference.
- During the Professional Divisions Committee (PDC) meeting held on Saturday, a presentation was made by a professional web designer that numerous ANS divisions have consulted for their www support. The initial cost is \$1,500 followed by a yearly maintenance fee of no more than \$500. A discussion took place regarding if RPSD should consult this web designer. No decision was made.
- A motion was passed to approve the name change of ETD to ETWD and for RRSD to add 3D computations to its charter. Further, the motion also called for the RPSD chair to decide if ANST should be approved as a new division.
- John Hendricks, RPSD chair, asked everyone to submit names for nominations to the Executive Committee. He also encouraged everyone on the Executive Committee to serve on one of the sub-committees.
- Carl Mazzola, chairman of Nuclear Facilities Standards Committee (NFSC) gave an overview of the ANS standard committee and its functions.

5. Follow-up Action

- o Program Committee - Charlotta Sanders & Eric Burgett
 - Eric Burgett will become the new TPC with continued support from Charlotta Sanders
 - The RPSD Executive Committee was encouraged to submit paper for the 2009 ANS Winter Meeting in Washington D.C. Also, volunteers are wanted for the upcoming paper review.
 - The meeting minutes for the Technical Program Committee are included in the attachment.
- o Las Vegas Topical - Rob Hayes & Charlotta Sanders
 - The planning and preparations for the topical meeting are going well.
 - Session chairs are still needed so everyone was encouraged to volunteer.
- o Joint Benchmarks - Dick Amato
 - Report was provided of the Joint Benchmark Committee meeting. Two new benchmarks are suggested/planned from RPSD.
- o Honors & Awards - Dave Court
 - Dave Court encouraged RPSD to submit names for the excellence award. The deadline is March 1st.
- o Affiliation with IRPA - Rob Hayes

- Rob Hayes will be heading an effort to pursue a membership in the International Radiation Protection Association (IRPA).
- o Standards & others
 - No reports.

6. Closing

Outgoing chair, John Hendricks, provided a summary of his 2008 – 2009 term as RPSD chair:

- Successes: Governance; International & student executive committee elected member; WWW site and bylaws improvements by Eric Shores; Program: tutorials, computational tools, roundtable, panels, etc.
- Disappointments: Census – RPSD membership is flat; Honors & Awards – a nomination of Wayne Newhauser for the ANS Special Award was unsuccessful and no other RPSD national awards were received;
- Admonitions: Go to PDC training - Saturday before national meeting; A Toolkit is provided from the PDC committee (see website); Programs: organize sessions, give review papers; Joint benchmarks, standards, "get the word out", students

7. Incoming Chair – Rob Hayes

- Rob Hayes thanked John Hendricks for his outstanding performance as the RPSD chair.
- Rob would like to see RPSD focus a little bit more on radiation /health physics topics (e.g., dosimetry, radon).
- At the November meeting, we will resolve the issue of www support.

8. Adjournment – Approximately 6:35 P.M

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Standing and Special Committee Chairs:

RPSD 2010 Las Vegas – Rob Hayes, WIPP, Robert.hayes@wipp.ws

Membership – F. Arzu Alpan, Westinghouse, alpanfa@westinghouse.com

Honors and Awards – Dave Court, LANL, davec@lanl.gov

Scholarship – John Poston, TAMU

Program – Charlotta Sanders, Holtec International, c.sanders@holtec.com

Benchmarks – Dick Amato, Bettis, amators@bettis.gov

Standards – Bill Hopkins, Bechtel, retired, wchopkins@insightbb.com

Bylaws – Erik Shores, LANL, eshores@lanl.gov

Nominating – John Wagner, ORNL, wagnerjc@ornl.gov

Web-site – Erik Shores, LANL, eshores@lanl.gov

ANS Board Liaison – Herb Fontecilla

Attachments

1. Treasurer Report

2. Minutes from TPC Meeting

2008/2009 Budget

	2008	2009	2009		Details
	FINAL	(proposed)	Actual 3 Month		
Income					
Carry Forward, Prior Year	17,302	17,764	17,764	F	
Member Allocation	2,656	2,656	2,616	F	\$2 per RPSD member
Other Budget Funds	0	410	0	E	\$410 National Meeting Participation
Total Budget Funds	19,958	20,830	20,380		
Expenses					
Newsletters	0	0	0		
Awards, Plaques	570	45	0	E	\$45 Outgoing Chair
National Meeting Costs	0	0	6,000	F	\$6,000 Loan to RPSD, Las Vegas 2010 Meeting
Division Officer Expense	0	0	0		
Student Support	1,500	1,900	0	E	\$1,500 Student Conference 2010 (2) \$200 Student Travel Grants to National Meetings
Scholarship/Need Funding	0	0	0		
Other Expenses	124	250	0	E	\$250 National Meeting Equipment Rental & Workshop Needs
Total Expenses	2,194	2,195	6,000		
Carry Over, Year End	17,764	18,635	14,380		

Note: ANS Scholarships are now fully endowed by the Board of Directors.

F Final considered final by ANS Headquarters
P Pending still pending with ANS Headquarters
E Estimate estimates for the rest of the year

Blizzard Scholarship

Balance 01/01/08	53,021
Plus 3 Months Interest	667
Plus 2008 Receipts	-
Minus 2008 Disbursements	
Balance 3/31/08	<u>53,688</u>

Minutes
Radiation Protection and Shielding Division
Technical Program Committee (TPC)

Monday 15 June, 2008, 4:00 – 5:00 P.M
Vinings, Hyatt Regency Atlanta
Atlanta, GA

Present:

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1. Call to order (4:00 PM) – Charlotta Sanders, RPSD TPC Chair
 - Eric Burgett (not present due to representing the division at another meeting) was acknowledge as the incoming TPC chair. Charlotta Sanders will still remain involved in the TPC duties during a transition time.
2. Upcoming Topical Meetings – Rob Hayes, RPSD 2010
 - The plans for RPSD 2010 in Las Vegas are coming along fine. The confirmed venue is the Palace Station, who has offered great room rates (\$50 regular, \$60 upgrade). The break-even point is about 120 attendees. Various issues were discussed regarding the conference, including publication format (e.g., papers being published in a journal). It was decided that based on the abstract submission, the author would be invited to write a full paper for consideration for publication in the journal of Nuclear Technology. The editor, Nick Tsoulfanidis, asked that he be involved in the review of abstracts along with the session chairs. The full papers are planned to be included in the November 2010 issue of the journal of Nuclear Technology.
3. Upcoming National Meetings

- The next national meeting is the 2009 ANS Winter Meeting in Washington D.C. Dave Court encouraged us to nominate a best paper from RPSD based on the paper review.
4. Paper Reviews
 - Volunteer for paper reviews are needed.
 5. Report from M&C 2009
 - Jeff Hoole provided a report from the successful M&C 2009 topical meeting in Saratoga Springs, NY (May 3-9 2009). The meeting was a technical and financial success with approximately 350 attendees (including about 90 students). The conference featured about 285 presented papers and 8 tutorials.
 6. Adjournment
 - The meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM.