

Minutes of the Radiation Protection and Shielding Division Executive Committee Meeting, 2 June 2003, San Diego, California.

Those Present (Attachment 1):

Hamilton Hunter	Larry Miller	Nolan Hertel	Michele Sutton Ferenci
Ray Klann	Mark Blumberg	David Court	Bernadette Kirk
Robert Hayes	John Bennion	R. T. Perry	Bob Little
Don Dudziak	Dickerson C. Moreno	Jeff Johnson	Stephanie Frankle
David Anderson	Yousry Azmy	Laurie Waters	

Opening Remarks by the Chair, Jeff Johnson

Jeff welcomed those present and briefly discussed the agenda.

Student Conference Reports

Students from the University of Berkley thanked us for our support and gave a short verbal report of the conference along with a Conference summary report. Over 200 students attended and 90 papers were presented. Darby Kimball gave the report.

Students from the University of Wisconsin reported that the theme for the next conference will be "Out of the ashes: Revival of the Nuclear Era." They requested both financial and personnel support. They specifically requested a RPSD division representative attend the conference. Ross Radel presented the report for Wisconsin.

Secretary's Report (Larry Miller)

Nolan Hertel moved and John Court seconded that the minutes be accepted as presented by Larry Miller.

Chairman's Report (Jeff Johnson)

Jeff attended the Meetings, Proceedings and Transactions Committee meeting, and summarized the path forward on how CDs should be structured for topical meetings. The committee took an action item to produce a set of guidelines for abstract booklets and CD proceedings and Jeff will help to get these standards in place. Divisions will have accountability for compliance to the guidelines.

Jeff also attended the Professional Divisions Committee Workshop and Professional Division Meeting. Several noteworthy items came from those meetings. First, ANS continues to make most of its money from national meetings. Thus, we will most likely continue to have two meetings per year.

Second, RPSD was targeted as one of the responsible divisions to support ANS Position Paper 53, which is on Research Reactors. This should fall under the Education and Training Division, so it was concluded that the RPSD should not be involved.

Third, ANS is hurting financially (partially investment driven), and ANS may require all scholarships to be “fully endowed.” One option on the AND Executive board’s agenda is to not augment the ANS scholarships that are not fully endowed. This would require RPSD to either reduce the scholarship or put some additional money into the Blizzard fund to support our scholarship. ANS also is encouraging the divisions to initiate freshmen scholarships in nuclear engineering.

Jeff attended the President’s Meeting with the division chairs and reported that the following five issues were cited in the “Presidents Meeting” as having top priority with the ANS Executive Board:

- 1) Maintaining financial solvency while obtaining society goals
- 2) Attracting and retaining members (new and old)
- 3) Communication of nuclear issues as accepted technology
- 4) Long term solution of the work force
- 5) More effective strategic governance

Jeff presented a table regarding our evaluation according to the new ANS Professional Divisions Committee metrics. The RPSD “graded out” good overall, but could have been rated higher with attention to just a few minor details of governance within our division. At the top level, RPSD only had one metric that did not meet the ANS goals. This metric would have been fine with the addition of one more session at the Winter meeting. Within the other sub-categories, RPSD did not meet ANS goals in four of them. Two of these could have been met if we had a strategic plan in place and all of our position statements current. The other two are goals contrary to how the RPSD membership has chosen to do business and we will never match the Society’s goals in these areas. There were two other sub-categories which we met the Society goals but could have exceeded them by following our charter for Peer Recognition/Awards, and providing support for students to attend the Winter Meeting. Jeff indicated the PDC metrics are an excellent way to determine the health and vitality of your division and where the division can improve. It is a means to self assess whether you are following your own charter and also making a positive contribution to the Society as a whole.

Stephanie moved and Laurie seconded that upper bar metrics can be associated with the division name (i.e. RPSD). Motion passed unanimously.

Michele Sutton Ferenci moved and Don Dudziak seconded to allocate funds for students to participate in RPSD technical meetings. Motion Passed. A committee consisting of Nolan, Don and Larry was appointed to recommend how to support student participation in RPSD meetings.

Jeff Johnson proposed to increase the duties of the Past Chair as follows:

- 1) Serve as the RPSD reviewer of the PDC manual,
- 2) Chair the nominating committee,
- 3) Serve on the Strategic/Tactical Planning committee comprised of the Past Chair, Present Chair, and Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect),
- 4) Serve as the RPSD liaison to the Student Sections Committee Meeting (12:00 - 2:00 on Sunday)

Laurie moved and Stephanie seconded that we concur with this list of duties. Motion passed.

Vice Chair Report (John Court)

The newsletter will be published in July.

Program Committee Report (David Anderson and Robert Hayes)

Winter Meeting Nov 9-13, 2003 in New Orleans, LA. Sessions for the New Orleans meeting in November of 2003 will include:

- a) General
- b) Pressure Vessel Radiation
- c) Medical Production Isotopes

ICRS-10/RPS 2004 Status Report, May 9-14, 2004, Madeira Island, Portugal. Organization for the RPSD 2004 meeting in Portugal is progressing well. Ten session chairs are selected, and a call for papers is completed. The NEA will handle the paper submissions. The call for papers was handed out, and David announced that the National Program Committee granted Preliminary Approval for the ICRS-10/RPS 2004 meeting.

David Anderson proposed Robert Hayes to become the new RPSD program chair. Stephanie moved and Nolan seconded that Bob Hayes be the new program chair. Motion passed.

M&C 2003 Update (Yousry Azmy & Bernadette Kirk) About 220 attended the meeting, 157 papers submitted and 150 were accepted. Report of the M&C 2003 is provided for inclusion in the minutes.

Past Chair Report (Larry Miller)

The results from the election are as follows:

Chair Elect: Dave Anderson

Secretary: Andrew Hodgdon

Treasurer: John Wagner

Board: Larry Townsend, Elizabeth Selcow, and Jennifer Tanner

Results are also shown in bold face type in Attachment 2.

Incoming Chair Report (David Anderson)

No prepared report, but congratulations were extended to David for being selected as the Chair Elect.

Treasurers Report (Laurie Waters)

The balance at the end of 2002 was \$20,561.

Laurie moved and Stephanie seconded to allocate \$3,000 for students to travel to ANS meetings. Motion passed.

Note: There was considerable uncertainty regarding how to implement this, but it was agreed that it can be discussed further in November.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Honors and Awards (Bernie Kirk)

Bob Roussin was nominated to receive the division lifetime achievement award or Rockwell award. Stephanie moved and Laurie seconded that Bob Roussin receive the Rockwell award. Motion passed.

It was agreed that Betty Maskewitz would be nominated for the Weinberg medal.

Bernadette Kirk was nominated for a Division Distinguished Service Award. John Court moved and Laurie seconded. Motion Passed.

Bob Little was nominated for a Division Professional Excellence Award. Stephanie moved and Nolan seconded that Bob Little be given the Professional Excellence Award. Motion Passed

Blizard Scholarship: There was an excellent group of applicants this year. The winner of the Blizard scholarship went to Kevin Patrick Lynn, University of Michigan.

Standards (Bill Hopkins)

No report provided.

Membership (Mark Blumberg)

Welcome letters will be sent to new members. The RPSD web site needs to be moved to the ANS National server and updated.

Benchmarks (Hamilton Hunter)

SINBAD is free and will send out on a CD.

The board discussed the disposition of the Radon Position Paper. It was decided to update the paper and resubmit with minor changes at this time. Nolan moved and Bernie seconded that the “Radon” position statement be updated. Hamilton Hunter agreed to take the lead on this effort.

Old Business

Stephanie Frankle volunteered to be the RPSD web master. John Court moved and Laurie seconded that Stephanie be the new web master when the RPSD web site is moved to ANS headquarters.

New Business

None

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Attachment 1

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Attachment 2

RPSD Board Members, Officers and Candidates (*in bold italic*)

Position\Year	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
Chair	Jeff Johnson	John Court		
Chair Elect	John Court	Dave Anderson Ray Klann		
Secretary	Larry Miller	Andrew Hodgdon Eric Shores		
Treasurer	Laurie Waters	Phil Ferguson John Wagner		
Board Members	Stan Anderson Peggy Emmett Kim Kearfott	David Anderson Stephanie Frankle Nolan Hertel	John Bennion Don Dudziak Michele Ferenci	Larry Townsend Bob Metzger Elizabeth Selcow Jennifer Tanner Everett Redmond Yousry Azmy
Past Chair	Larry Miller	Jeff Johnson	John Court	
Program Chair	David Anderson	Robert Hayes		
Membership	Mark Blumberg	Mark Blumberg		
Benchmarks	Hamilton Hunter	Hamilton Hunter		
Honors & Awards	Bernie Kirk	Bernadette Kirk		
Standards Liaison	Bill Hopkins	Bill Hopkins		
Scholarship	Dan Ingersoll	Dan Ingersoll		
Ex-Officio	Don Hoffman	Don Hoffman		
ANS Board	Sophie Gutner	Sophie Gutner		
Liaison				
ANS Staff Liaison	Sharon Kerrick	Sharon Kerrick		