

Radiation Protection and Shielding Division
American Nuclear Society

Minutes of the Executive Committee
San Diego, California
June 7, 2005

1. Call to Order – David Anderson, Chair

Attendance:

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Minutes; by John Hendricks

Student Conference: A delegation of students thanked the RPSD for \$1500 support of the student conference at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and announced the upcoming 2006 conference at RPI, March 30 – April 1, 2006.

2. Secretary's Report – Andrew Hodgdon

Minutes from Winter 04 Meeting - absent

3. Chair Report – David Anderson

- Professional Divisions Committee (PDC) workshop (Dave Court):
 - *PDC Nov Presentation*: **Ray Klann** needs to give the RPSD presentation to the ANS Board of Directors (BOD) at the November ANS meeting;
 - *RPSD rules*: The RPSD must incorporate the standard ANS division bylaws which can only be changed by the ANS BOD. Each Technical Division will then have only its own set of rules appended to the standard bylaws. The RPSD Executive Committee can only change the rules, and for the November 2005 meeting RPSD will draft its own rules. Don Hoffman is the PDC chair. **David Anderson** will make the draft RPSD rules.

- *Radon Position Statement:* The Biology & Medicine Professional Division (BMD) rejected the initial RPSD draft Radon Position Statement which basically said we agree with the Health Physics Society (HPS) statement. BMD has since failed to come up with its own Radon Position Statement. RPSD will not re-assume responsibility for the poison statement and expects BMD to provide the requested statement to ANS.
- *Roster:* The RPSD roster of elected officers for 2006. The 2006 term begins June 10 (end of San Diego Annual Meeting) and continues through the June 2006 Reno Annual Meeting. The new officers are:
 - *Ray Klann, chair*
 - *Andrew Hodgdon, Vice Chair*
 - *John Hendricks, Secretary*
 - *Stephanie Frankle, Treasurer*

Board members with terms expiring 2006 are: Jennifer Tanner, Lawrence Townsend; terms expiring 2007: F. Arzu Alpan, Erik Shores, Nolan Hertel; terms expiring 2008 (new members): Charlotta Sanders, Man-Sung Yim, Jeremy Sweezy. Ex-Officio: David Anderson, Don Hoffman.

Elizabeth Selcow resigned. **Richard Amato**, Bettis Bechtel was appointed to fulfill her term (expires 2006.)

Stephanie Frankle, who maintains the RPSD WWW site, will remove home addresses of RPSD officers and executive committee from the WWW site, retaining only work phone numbers and e-mails on the WWW site.

- *USS Nautilus:* The USS Nautilus, the world's first nuclear submarine, was designated by the ANS in a formal ceremony in , Groton, Connecticut, as a "National Nuclear Landmark."
- *2005 Winter Meeting.* The 2005 ANS Winter meeting (Washington, D. C.) had only 41 papers submitted as of June 6. However,, last-minute submissions are the norm and the deadline can always be extended.

4. Vice-Chair Report – Ray Klann

None

5. Program Committee Report - Robert Hayes / John Hendricks

- Monte Carlo 2005 in Chattanooga in April was very successful – Bernie Kirk
- RPSD06 (Carlsbad, NM, April 2006) – Robert Hayes
 - Now endorsed by the HPS;
 - Advertisement appeared in Nuclear News;
 - Free advertisements have appeared in other professional society journals;
 - Program has been finalized;
 - WWW site is current and active.

- RPSD08 (joint ICRS 08, Atlanta, GA, April 2008) – Nolan Hertel
- Monte Carlo 2010 will be in Japan – Bernie Kirk

6. Treasurer's Report – David Anderson

- RPSD has \$14707 and 1327 members (-0.5% since 2004). The Treasurer's report was appended to the RPSD agenda.
- \$1500 authorized for student conference at RPI, April 2006.
- *Student attendance at conferences:*
 - Rob Hayes proposed RPSD pay for students to attend topical meetings.
 - Bernie Kirk proposed students have a low (\$50) registration fee. Having them pay a registration fee lets conference organizers know how many students to expect.
 - It was pointed out that students currently receive \$25 for working each 4-hour technical session and this paltry amount has not been increased for decades.

7. Nominating Committee Report – Dave Court

The following were elected officers:

- *Ray Klann, chair*
- *Andrew Hodgdon, Vice Chair*
- *John Hendricks, Secretary*
- *Stephanie Frankle, Treasurer*

The following were elected to the executive committee:

- Charlotta Sanders (YMP)
- Jeremy Sweezy (LANL)
- Man-Sung Yim (NCSU)

8. Standing Committee Reports

- Honors and Awards – Dave Court
The 25 ANS awards are listed on the ANS WWW site, and many have no nominees. The Rockwell award went to Robert Roussin (ORNL). Contributions to the RPSD Blizzard scholarship can be made via the RPSD WWW site.
- Standards – Nolan Hertel
- Membership – David Anderson
- Benchmarks – David Anderson.
 - Dick Amato replaces Ham Hunter on the benchmarks committee. A committee member for a 3 year term is also needed. . The benchmark committee consists of 1 co-chair and 3 members from each of RPSD, Mathematics and Computation (M&C), and Reactor Physics (RPD).
- Blizzard Scholarship – Dave Anderson

- As of March 30 RPSD had a \$38463.43 endowment. Given an annual expense of \$3625 (\$3000 plus \$625 ANS overhead) and a 5% return, then a \$72500 fund level is needed to make the fund self-sustaining. RPSD will put in \$2000/year into the fund. Nolan Hertel is chairman of the scholarship fund.
- Public Policy – Dave Anderson
 - Radon in Homes – Herb Fotecilla has been trying to get a “Radon in Homes” public policy statement. Ham Hunter wrote up a public policy statement but BMD said they would take it. The consensus of the RPSD executive committee is that RPSD does not have the expertise. See item 3, “Chair Report,” above. Radon in homes is remanded to BMD.
 - Low-level radiation: **Dave Anderson** will take the current RPSD position statement and update it to the latest HPS statement.

9. Old Business

10. New Business

- Tech group on hydrogen production. The executive committee voted not to advise the chair.
- Young Members Technical Group. Executive committee voted to support Chair’s support of young members group