



# ANS-SR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Time & Date:** 6:30 – 7:45 pm October 12, 2021 (Tuesday)

Location: Teleconference

## **Officers and Members Present:**

- Greg Staack, Past Co-Chair
- Madeleine Waller, Chair
- Mel Buckner, CNTA Liaison
- Tracy Stover, Secretary
- Kevin O'Kula, Program Chair
- Selina Tavano, Scholarship Co-Chair
- Nuri Sinha, Membership Chair
- Phil Cupp, Publications Chair
- Graham Jones, Outreach Chair
- Kiah Griffith, Young Member Chair and Webmaster

## Proxy Given Prior to Meeting: Carl Fields to Kevin O'Kula, Mike McCracken to Kevin O'Kula

## Quorum Present: Yes.

#### **Motion Summary:**

None.

## **Action Items Summary:**

1. Kevin O'Kula and Phil Cupp will explore smaller, cheaper venue options for future technical meetings.

## Minutes from Agenda Topics:

- 1. Opening (Madeleine)
  - Welcome, busy night.
  - Madeleine asked Phil to take minutes until Tracy came online.





- 2. September Minutes (Kevin)
  - Kevin supplied them in the afternoon before the meeting.
  - Comments are to be forwarded to Tracy over the next couple of days.
- 3. Treasurer's Report (Amanda)
  - Fees from meritorious awards and meetings are in. A donation via polo shirt sale was also received for the scholarship fund.
  - A newer card reader is needed for newer phones. Madeleine volunteered to provide.
  - The section is not breaking even on meetings, each may be in the red, but we haven't finalized August and September financials as yet.
  - Kevin will look for smaller, cheaper venues with Phil.
  - Discussion was had on Aiken versus Augusta venues.
- 4. Outreach (Graham)
  - SEED on Oct. 9 was successful with over 2500 students in attendance. Graham will send information to Phil for the publication.
  - Next event is Future City in the winter, no events for Nuclear Science Week.
  - There is a strong desire for a cloud chamber.
  - There is still no access to legacy social media accounts. Kiah is working on it but the group is reluctant to set up new ones.
- 5. <u>CNTA (Mel)</u>
  - The Teller Lecture is on Oct. 28. Tickets are still available.
  - CNTA has already solicited funding for the next Educator Grant Award.
  - Discussion was held to provide a smaller amount this year due to last year's carry over and the section's limited funds. Discussion tabled.
- 6. <u>Retirees (Carl)</u>
  - No Report
- 7. <u>Publications (Phil)</u>
  - Plan for an early 2022 Neutrino
  - Phil compiling info from technical meetings, SEED, the Vogtle Tour, and Steve Nesbit's visit.
  - (Kevin) Bill Wabbersen and John Guy did a demonstration for teachers back in July. Can this be added to the next *Neutrino*? Phil concurs to add.
- 8. Program (Kevin)
  - Steve Nesbit's visit went well, attendance was about 40. Would have like to had more attend.
  - College Night teleconferences will be held over the next two weeks and include GA Tech, NCSU, USC Columbia, and UTK.





- Holiday Celebration is set for Dec. 6 at North Augusta Community Center but no other details yet.
- There was discussion on entertainment for the holiday event including snowflake party, make your own ornament, violinist, belly dancer, pianist, magician, tie dye station, gift exchange, and door prizes or raffles. Discussion tabled.

# 9. Scholarship (Kevin)

- No update
- 10. Young Members and Website (Kiah)
  - Kiah proposed a social event for November. Suggestions were escape room, axe throwing, ornament crafting, or revival of nuclear trivia night. Suggested target was <\$40 per person. No event selected
- 11. Ballot (Kevin)
  - Results are final and confirmed by Jay Bilyeu. No recount.

## 12. Old/New Business (all)

- A request was made for events centered around Vogtle.
- New venues will look for an Augusta location for upcoming meeting.
- Kevin suggested a watch party for when Vogtle 3 make its first ascent in power.
- Discussion of a door prize, donation for tickets, at each technical meeting to raise money for scholarship. It was decided to establish a "nuclear reading list" and the door prize raffle would be a book from it.

Next meeting is November 9.