



American Nuclear Society Connecticut Section



Executive Committee

Steve Odell, Section Chair
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ANS CT Section Meeting Minutes for November 5th, 2014

Attendees:

Steve Odell, Chair
Dave Bajumpaa
Shawn Downey
Eric Jaworski
Claire Sullivan
Stephen Szarek

Actions

- **Odell**
 - Set up a membership survey
 - Follow up regarding WiN participation with Girl Scouts
 - Consolidate ANS goals for 2015
 - Discuss with Shawn the actions for scrubbing the business meeting list
- **Downey**
 - Find the old list of speaker topics
 - Review Bylaws and Rules and identify what actions are required
 - Investigate what's needed for the "Energy and the Environment" and "NYC Energy" conferences
- **Bajumpaa**
 - Investigate speaker topics:
 - Post-Fukushima mod implementation
 - DEEP Radiation

Tabled Discussions

- Annual Membership Dues

Meeting Minutes

1. Leslie Dewan's Presentation (**10 min – 1300**)
 - a. # Attendees, New Members
 - i. 52 Total Attendees

- ii. 8 new members
 - b. Net Cash Flow
 - i. ~-\$250
 - c. Positives
 - i. Great material
 - ii. Very good questions, topical material for the audience
 - iii. High turnout
 - 1. Good topic
 - iv. Good student involvement, being on the University of Hartford campus
 - 1. Topic / material a bit over the head of students
 - d. Improvement Opportunities
 - i. Will use different caterer moving forward (Concetta's catered the last dinner meeting)
 - ii. Typically we go to a restaurant – may want to consider continue doing so, however is more expensive
 - iii. Potentially set up a survey for the membership for generic feedback
 - 1. Steve – End of November
 - a. Questions about content / topics that people want to see
 - b. Steve to send out a draft to the ExCom first
2. ANS-CT Goals for 2015 (**10 min – 1310**)
 - a. Open Discussion
 - i. Frequency of Business Meetings?
 - ii. Frequency of Dinner Meetings / Events?
 - 1. Goal: Have an event quarterly**
 - a. Send out save the dates, even if all the details aren't worked out yet (dates can be on a rough schedule basis)
 - 2. Goal: have a schedule of upcoming events**
 - a. Shawn to find the list of potential topics
 - iii. Types of events?
 - 1. Goal: Develop other types of events to get members more involved**
 - a. Baseball Games?
 - b. See notes under "Roundtable Discussion"
 - 2. Tours**
 - a. Nautilus, DRS Consolidated Controls, ISO – Holyoke, Simulator
 - 3. Something with boy scouts / girl scouts**
 - a. WiN works with girl scouts, maybe ANS can work with them with the boy scouts
 - b. Steve to follow up
 - iv. Membership goal?
 - 1. Need to focus on membership
 - 2. Major Goal: Increase member participation**
 - v. Scholarship Program?
 - vi. Restart the Sponsorship requests
 - vii. Address annual elections

- viii. Create a Webmaster position?
 - 1. Update the news
 - 2. PayPal links
 - 3. Update the presentations
 - 4. Anyone interested?
- ix. **Goal: Submit for annual awards**
- x. **Goal: Continue Sponsorships**
 - 1. Claire: Need to consider what we can give back (e.g., speaker opportunities, etc.)
- xi. Steve to consolidate goals for 2015 – identify any areas that require volunteers
- 3. Sponsorships (**5 min – 1320**)
 - a. Continue for this year?
 - i. Maintain contact
- 4. Annual Membership Dues (**5 min – 1325**)
 - a. Discussion on Free Membership
 - i. Increases membership and participation?
 - ii. An annual due forces the member to participate since they're invested?
 - 1. More relevant for events, maybe not annual dues
 - iii. An annual due defines membership
 - iv. Discussion tabled
- 5. Potential Hosting of ANS PSA Conference (**5 min – 1330**)
 - a. Biannual conference hosted by ANS, sent out a RFP for a local section to host the next one (2017)
 - b. Response due by 12/8/2014
 - c. Might not be a worthwhile venture for our small section, better use of energy would be to focus on growing the section
 - d. Example submittals, more information?
 - i. Shawn to follow up with Steve with more info on the proposal process
- 6. Business Meeting Participation (**5 min – 1335**)
 - a. Scrub the business meeting list?
 - b. Steve to discuss with Shawn
- 7. Treasurer's Report and Membership Report (**5 min – 1340**)
 - a. Bank Balance
 - i. PayPal balance: **\$214.65**
 - ii. Webster Bank Balance: **\$10,396.48**
 - b. # Members: **150**
- 8. Roundtable Discussion (**10 min – 1345**)
 - a. Other activities that we've done
 - i. 7 or 8 conferences on Energy and the Environment (sponsored by the Hartford Graduate Center)
 - 1. Free
 - 2. Attended by Shawn Downey and Pete Hung, would be worth promoting
 - 3. Show up around 6pm for a speaker on a particular topic, break into smaller groups, food is provided

- 4. Shawn to gather more information
 - ii. NYC organization holds an Energy Conference, along with 4 meetings a year
 - 1. Free
 - 2. They invite delegates from the US State Department, Canada, and Mexico
 - a. A North American conference
 - 3. Shawn to gather more information
 - iii. Job Shadowing in February the past couple years
 - 1. Claire would like to expand it beyond the 8 Granby HS kids
 - a. Expand to a college?
 - b. Potentially volunteer a couple hours after work
 - 2. **Goal: Need to discuss how we can have an effective job shadow at just international drive**
 - iv. Dinner Topics
 - 1. Dave Bajumpaa to investigate having a dinner meeting topic on Post-Fukushima mod implementations at Millstone 2 & 3.
 - 2. Dave Bajumpaa has a contact with DEEP Radiation, may be a potential speaking topic
 - 3. New ANS president as a dinner topic
 - 4. NRC Commissioner
 - 5. Steve Szarek: we can go through the list of speakers from the NE Section
9. Miscellaneous
 - a. US postal address for the CT Section:
 - American Nuclear Society Connecticut Section
 - c/o Westinghouse Electric Co.
 - 20 International Drive, Bin 50
 - Windsor, CT 06095
 - b. Links to online resources are:
 - Twitter: [@ansct](#)
 - ANS CT Website: <http://ansct.wordpress.com>
 - LinkedIn: http://www.linkedin.com/groups?about=&gid=3898678&trk=anet_ug_grp
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