

**AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY
DECOMMISSIONING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES DIVISION**

**DESD Officer & Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 17, 2018 – 11 AM EDT**

**Phone Number: (563) 999-1067
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(New conference call number dedicated to DESD)**

Officers		
Chair	Dustin Miller	X
Vice Chair	Doug Davis	X
Secretary	Gerry Van Noordennen	
Treasurer	Gerry Van Noordennen	
Ex Officio – Past Chair	Mark S. Campagna	X

Executive Committee Members (last year for tenure):

2018		2019		2020		2021	
James Clarke	X	Andreas Kronenberg		Richard St. Onge	X		
Leah Spradley Parks	X	Linda Chou	X	Frazier Bronson			
Holly Wohlberg	X	Timothy Moore	X	Jorge Spitalnik	X		
		Holly Wohlberg	X				

Other participants:

Jay Peters	X		

X notes conference call participants

This conference call will focus on 3 items very important to DESD.

1. Staffing of the DESD Officer positions. (Dustin Miller)

DESD Officers and Executive Committee members need to decide in this conference call the action the division will take to fill all DESD Officer and Executive Committee positions with members actively engaged in performing the functions of the position.

Dustin started the discussion by reviewing the DESD Officer staffing and proposed change officer assignments. Note that this was initially discussed during the December 20, 2017 DESD Conference Call. See the DESD December 20, 2017 Conference Call Minutes for discussion details.

We also discussed the duration for DESD Officers and Executive Committee members serving in each position, and the number of Executive Committee members. Leah noted that Rule 7 of the DESD Bylaws states that individual serves for one year, or possibly longer if necessary, and then moves up to the next position. Executive Committee members can serve for up to 4 years, and the Executive Committee shall consist of not less than 6 members.

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Based on this review, DESD is making the following Officer and Executive Committee staffing changes.

Chair – Dustin Miller

Vice Chair – Doug Davis

Secretary – Gerry Van Noordennen

Treasurer – Gerry Van Noordennen

Note - Leah noted that the Secretary and Treasure Officer positions can be filled by one individual per DESD Bylaws.

Program Chair – Scott Zinkham

Ex Officio – Mark Campagna

Executive Committee Member – Holly Wohlberg

The 2018 DESD Officer assignments, and Executive Committee assignment for Holly Wohlberg, are effective to the 2019 ANS Annual Meeting in June 2019.

Mark Campagna made the motion for the DESD Officers and Executive Committee members to accept the DESD staffing changes. Leah Spradley Parks seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

The following actions items need to be taken to finalize the DESD Officers and Executive Committee assignments.

1. Finalize Scott Zinkham as the Treasurer
2. Discuss and get agreement from Gerry Van Noordennen to fill both the Treasurer and Secretary positions until the new Treasurer is in position.
3. Identify and install the next Program Chair.

Doug Davis contact ANS Headquarters to discuss these staffing changes and provide Valerie Vasilievas with a copy of these meeting minutes.

2. Staffing of the DESD Executive Committee positions. (Mark Campagna)

Holly Wohlberg will fill the open 2017 -2018 Executive Committee position and will continue as an Executive Committee Member through the 2018 – 2019 period.

Mark discussed the actions he has taken to submit the next DESD Executive Committee and Officer slate to ANS Headquarters. The slate was submitted and the DESD members recommended to staff these positions will be on this spring's ANS voting ballot.

3. ANS and Discovery Education (Holly Wohlberg discussion lead)

On January 15, we formally kicked off a partnership between ANS and Discovery Education to create a national curriculum and curricular materials for middle schools on nuclear science with a focus on nuclear energy. Discovery Education has curricula and curricular materials in about half of all schools in the U.S. We plan to introduce our curriculum and curricular materials for the 2018/2019 school year. Attending the kick off meeting for ANS were President Bob Coward, Executive Director Bob Fine, Education and Community Outreach Specialist Janice Lindgard and myself.

The purpose of this email is to request that you select a person from your Division that I can contact for technical review of the content generated by Discovery Education. Since President Coward has named me the point person to coordinate our validation of the technical content for

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this project, I want to ensure this effort effectively leverages the expertise of all the ANS Divisions.

Your Division representative, if called upon, will review and provide feedback on the content that Discovery Education produces. Since the goal is to get this material into classrooms for 2018/2019 school year, the project needs to be completed by the end of July to be included in Discovery Education's digital textbooks. I don't foresee this taking more than 10 hours of your representative's time if he or she is called upon for assistance.

By Friday, January 29, please send Janice Lindegard the name and contact information of your representative. Janice's email address is jlindegard@ans.org. If you have any questions about this request or the nuclear education project, please contact me. My email address is eric.loewen@ge.com, and my phone number is [910-819-5190](tel:910-819-5190).

I look forward to your Division support of this vitally important initiative.

Eric Loewen
Past ANS President

The following DESD members volunteered to support the initiative between ANS and Discovery Education.

Leah Spradley Parks - DESD Lead
Tim Moore
Holly Wohlberg

4. ANS Collaborate and Web site updating (Dustin Miller with Linda Chou)

Dustin and Linda will take a close look and update the Division Web site with current information to be completed by NLT end of January. Also, Dustin discussed an ANS Headquarters Webinar on ANS Collaborate that Dustin and Doug Davis participated in on January 16, 2018. It was a training session conducted by Joe Koblich to get the ANS Divisions current with the capabilities and features of ANS Collaborate and discuss ANS Headquarters expectations for all divisions to actively use ANS Collaborate to communicate and keep ANS headquarters current with division activities.

Dustin will conduct a training session on ANS Collaborate at the next DESD Officer and Executive Committee for a Conference Call to be scheduled for March 2018.

5. Pacific Rim Nuclear Conference (Doug Davis)

Doug stated that there will be a special conference call next week (week of January 22nd) to discuss DESD support of this conference. DESD committed to support and participate in this conference. DESD is using this conference as the 2018 DESD Topical Conference. The DESD lead is Jim Byrne. Doug will schedule the date and time for conference call by close of business on January 18, 2018.