

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2020

Attendees

Gerry van Noordennen
Mark Campagna
Jim Byrne
Frazier Bronson
Richard St. Onge
Miles van Noordennen

Gerry van Noordennen presented the Chair Report.

- ANS National Changes – the organization is trending toward fewer staff members, with personnel taking on more responsibilities. This change has shown the potential to improve the organization’s efficiency. No issues have been noted to-date.
- ANS Student Conference – Gerry will be attending on behalf of DESD. He will be accompanied by a member of HR from Energy Solutions.
 - UPDATE – per the March 10, 2020 ANS announcement, the student conference has been cancelled (along with all other scheduled meetings in March and April 2020).
- Bennett Lewis Award for Sustainable Energy and Development – discussed the Selection Committee’s nomination of William Hannum, with information provided by Jan Van Erp. Executive Committee members voted to approve the recommendation.

Gerry van Noordennen presented the Vice-Chair Report.

- Gerry is acting as the Vice-Chair while Doug Davis is on hiatus from the position. Doug is still staying updated with DESD activities and may resume a more involved role towards the end of the summer.

Miles van Noordennen presented the Secretary Report.

- Website – the DESD website has been completed and is active. Members are encouraged to peruse the content and offer any comments or suggestions on the information and the presentation of the website.
- Newsletter – creation of the newsletter is still in the works. This will include upcoming meeting/conference information as well as other pertinent information with respect to DESD related topics. Once completed, this will be included on the website.

Gerry van Noordennen presented the Treasurer Report.

- Fund balance as of 12/31/19 - \$31,926 compared to the budget of \$22,987. Increase came mainly from meetings, with increased meeting revenues and decreased meeting costs.

Mark Campagna presented the scholarship summary.

- The 2020 nominees are under review with two winners for the graduate scholarship. They will share the \$3000 DESD scholarship.

Other Business

- 2020 Annual Meeting – Jim Byrne discussed the 4 DESD sessions. The sessions are:
 - Climate Change
 - Workforce Development
 - Uranium Mine Reclamation
 - Paper Session

Included in the discussion was the need to get confirmation from Energy Solutions on their session and the request for a free registration letter for the Navajo Uranium Mine Reclamation session.

- 2020 Utility Working Conference – Jim Byrne discussed the 7 proposed sessions. They are:
 - Historical and Innovative Approaches to Decommissioning, led by Lynne Goodman and Joe Carignan
 - Spent Fuel Management Options, led by Rich St. Onge
 - Decommissioning Planning, led by Joe Carignan
 - Regulatory Perspectives, led by Jim Byrne
 - Status of Decommissioning Projects, led by Gerry van Noordennen
 - Innovation and Optimization, led by Jim Byrne and assisted by Dustin Miller and Mark Kirshe
 - Nuclear Industry Safety and Safety Culture, led by Mark Campagna
 - Nuclear Industry Security Transformation via Innovative Methods, led by Mark Campagna

The last two sessions will be cross tracked into the general meeting.

- 2020 Winter Conference. There will be six sessions for DESD. They are:
 - Staff Credential Training– Larry Boing
 - General Topics – Jim Byrne
 - Grid Modeling – Leah Parks
 - Innovative Characterization Technology – Jay Peters
 - Meeting Targets for Reduction of CO2 Emissions – Jan van Erp
 - Community Advisory Panels – Gerry van Noordennen
- 2021 Embedded Topical - Decommissioning and Environmental Science and Remote Technology at the ANS Winter Conference – Jim Byrne discussed preparations for the meeting and a Save the Date flyer.

Action Items

- Miles van Noordennen to work with Jim Byrne on completing the newsletter and posting on the website.
- Miles van Noordennen to work on updating the website based on feedback received.
- Gerry van Noordennen to send official approval to Selection Committee for the nominee of the Bennett Lewis Award.

- Gerry van Noordennen to send contact information for Energy Solutions Annual Meeting session presenter to Jim Byrne.
- Gerry van Noordennen to send free registration letter for Navajo Annual Meeting session presenter(s).
- Gerry van Noordennen to schedule Executive Committee conference call for early-mid May in advance of the Annual Meeting.