

## **Program Committee/Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – June 4, 2021**

Koehler confirmed that all four speakers are confirmed for NS Savannah History. Bucky Owens will be paid for by Savannah Association. Tom Carroll will have a comp. Two will be pre-recorded.

Glucksberg confirmed that all four panelists are confirmed for the Fracking session. One panelist might be pre-recorded.

Koehler mentioned that the panelist from Germany for the Non-Naval Nuclear Ship Power session may have had an issue with registration. He may need a comp code. All other panelists are either registered or have a comp code already.

Gerry confirmed speakers for his decomm projects in the northeast are also confirmed.

### **Embedded Topical**

The format of panel versus paper session . Jim said that we could be somewhat flexible and potentially invite panel speakers without papers. Nadia suggested we wait to see how many papers are received and see if we need to pull in panels versus papers.

We discussed the format of the meeting and whether it will be in-person versus hybrid meeting . ANS HQ is trying to figure out how they will set up but it is a topic of discussion for how they will do it economically. There will be a portal option and probably an option for pre-recorded presentations, but the extent to which each room will be outfitted will be TBD.

Reception – We need one or more corporate sponsors to donate resources to sponsor the reception. Nadia will try to obtain H&A sponsorship for half or some other portion of the reception. Others on the Program Committee will also try to find corporate sponsors.

Program committee members expressed concern about number of papers that we will be able to get submitted. Gerry will schedule a program committee meeting for 3 weeks from today and keep a regular meeting every 3 weeks. Each program committee member is encouraged to get 3-4 papers submitted. It would be helpful if ANS HQ could allow more like 36 papers versus 72 and then fill the rest of the sessions with panelists.

### **Young Professionals Congress**

Matt Jasica provided an overview of the Young Professionals Congress. This year instead of having it as part of the Winter Meeting, we are having it as a virtual stand-alone event in November. Dates are Friday Nov 12 and Saturday November 13. They are trying to balance relative availability of workday versus weekend. They will have professional development sessions and policy and advocacy sessions. Because it is all virtual, they don't have to worry about some of the same resource challenges but they do have to pay for ANS conference platform and bringing in speakers. They also need to raise funds for prizes for raffles and other ways to make it more engaging virtually. Their goal is 5k , but closer to 8-10k. They are asking for Division help. They have a set of different sponsor tiers – 250, 500, 1000k. Logo recognition and other benefits are available, including networking coffee hours. DESD could have their own coffee breakout room. At the highest tier there would be a sponsor for a social

event that they are putting on. Looking for responses within July – August timeframe. The congress attracts students and young professionals. They will open registration around Labor Day. We will discuss at a later Executive Committee Meeting and get back to Matt. Matt will send Leah a summary of the different sponsorship levels and benefits.

### **Nuclear Science and Engineering Journal**

Farzad Rahnema (Nuclear Science and Engineering Journal) – One question survey - As a potential author, what issues influence your decision (either positively or negatively) when considering the journal of Nuclear Science and Engineering to publish your research? This question will be sent to all the Division Exec Committee, Program Committee, Editorial Advisory Board Members and the Technical Journal Committee. For example, they are considering eliminating the page charge.

### **Treasurer Report**

#### Revenues

We earned about half of the membership dues that we predicted. I don't expect our revenue to go up much more given that not as many people sign up for a new membership later in the year.

We have budgeted for 2100 in meeting revenue for the UWC which will be in August - This was considered a conservative estimate based on the DESD unaudited final draft UWC Net Revenue is \$2,986. However, Decommissioning was separated from the UWC so we are not expecting any revenue from this now.

Note that the embedded topical won't show up as income until 2022.

#### Expenditures

We haven't spent anything on Awards, Plaques, or Meeting Costs.

Return of the 2020 Student conferences is a negative number in our Actual Expenditure. So, this is treated like a revenue that we were not expecting. Overall this is helping offset the UWC revenue that will not come in as expected.

For scholarship funding we budgeted 2500 for 2021. Note that in 2020 we gave two - one grad (3k) and one undergrad scholarship (2.5k). The fund was short \$3,468.24 on July 31/2020 for our undergrad and grad scholarships, so we needed to pay it out of operating funds); We recommended offering one scholarship for 2021 . We kept the 2500 in the operating budget to be able to fund the single scholarship out of the operating budget should we need to do so, but we are not expecting to have to given that the scholarship fund is healthy.

Mark will verify if the scholarship fund covered the cost of our single scholarship for 2021. If it was covered with our scholarship fund, then we could use some of this to support travel for the scholarship winner to the Winter Meeting. Leah will clarify with Paula or Staci the cut off date for our expenses for Calendar Year 2021 and whether this would be an expense on 2021.