

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

DESD Executive Committee Meeting Notes

Thursday, 12:00 to 1:00 PM Eastern

April 7, 2022

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Meeting ID: 507 183 740#

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Officers		
Chair	Miles van Noordennen	x
Vice Chair	Doug Davis	x
Secretary	Leah Parks	x
Treasurer	Leah Parks/Katie Mummah	
Program	Dustin Miller	
Ex Officio – Past Chair	Gerry van Noordennen	x

Executive Committee Members (last year for tenure):

2022		2023		2024	
Mark Campagna		Sue Aggarwal		Rich St, Onge	
Noah Fetherston		Joe Carignan		William Szymczak	
		Gene Carpenter		William Roy	x

Chair Report – Miles van Noordennen

- 2022 Annual Meeting – June 12-16 Anaheim
 - Registration is open!
- 2022 Utility Working Conference – August 7-10 Marco Island
 - Registration is open!
- Elections
 - Voting opened end of February – deadline to vote is April 12
 - No competitive elections for DESD but several bylaws up for revision approvals
- NRC proposed changes to decommissioning plants
 - DESD to weigh in on potential comments on rulemaking

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- Work with External Affairs Committee to determine appropriateness and content of potential comments from ANS

Vice Chair Report – Doug Davis

DESD Vice Chair Discussion

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PDC Meetings Summary – February & March

Special Focus Topic – Craig Piercy/ Steve Nesbit

ANS evaluation of/ involvement in the situation in Ukraine (Op Nuc plants & Chernobyl)

Input, responses, talking point

Andrew Coffman Smith ANS Communications Lead

Rapid response team (task force) established in February

Corresponding with Ukrainian counterparts

Involved and coordinating with other SMEs, stakeholders, support

organizations

Humanitarian aid (areas with NPPs)

Public service role – working with the new media

Formal LL will be issued

Demonstrating need for ANS to be involved in these type (crisis) situations.

Annual Meeting – in person, not hybrid; June 12-16, Anaheim, CA

Theme – New Outlook

Registration is open

Sessions will be recorded and made available on demand from ANS Website

Division Executive & Program Committee Meetings – June 2nd, 1200-1400 HRS (East Coast time)

Presidents' Dinner (short) – Introduce new leadership, networking

ANS supporting DOE on use of used nuclear fuel and economic support of Op Nuc

Plants

Grand Challenges

Started 2017

2022 Update – PPT presentation



NGC Slides Going
Forward-Sunday morn

[Progress being made on Nuclear Grand Challenges -- ANS / Nuclear Newswire](#)

Overview ANS Wider Developments

Annual election closes April 12th. Don't forget to vote for candidates and By-laws changes.

Nominations for Division PDC members and PDC Executive Committee and Officers

PDC Division health metrics – how to best monitor (resurrect?)

ANS Student Conference April 14-16, 2022, U of Illinois – Division participation and financial support

Student involvement – work with division student liaison

Division funding of students – DESD has made funds available

Divisions ID students who will attend Annual Meeting (Aubrey Whittington has division student lists)

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Need 3 sponsors @ \$25K each

Notification if changes to international meeting dates

Webinar Planning – Divisions are encouraged to host more webinars

A webinar every 3 to 4 months is suggested

Make them available to members and non-members

ANS Headquarters Move (recap)

January 12, 2022, sale of the building was completed

Closing is March 2022, moving out in April to temporary quarters

Move into new facility in September 2022, new facility is closer to O'Hare Airport

Tech Stack – replaces current Collaborative platform/system - continuing

NIMBO is the new vendor (Dan Goldberg)

Headquarters continues to look for Division volunteers to support migration to the new system.

Secretary Report – Leah Parks

- Website – Leah as a WordPress account and is seeking assistance from ANS to make the necessary updates. Leah takes an Action to reach out to Paula or Aubrey and ask if we need to use the ANS zoom for our DESD Committee meeting.

Treasurer Report – Leah Parks

- 2022 student conference funding completed - The 2022 Budget has 2500 marked for "Student Support" (1,000 of this was to help support travel for a student to attend an ANS meeting). The remaining 1500 was intended to go to the student conference. Leah signed the disbursement form.
- Scholarship fund status - The earnings allocation for 2020 was 12.33%. This allocation is reflected on your statements as an increase to your account.

Nominating Committee – Gerry van Noordennen

- All slots have nominees. Votes are due by April 12.

Scholarship Committee – Mark Campagna

- April 1 deadline for scholarship awards – selection process completed
- The Committee reviewed the scholarships and recommended the top three names to ANS HQ. NOTE- we recommend that if a candidate has received recent awards from DESD this factor be used to exclude/disqualify a candidate in future from repeating year-to year

Program Chair Report – Dustin Miller

- 2022 Annual Meeting - June 12-16 Anaheim
- 2022 Winter Meeting - Phoenix
- 2024 Embedded Topical – winter meeting Orlando placeholder

Other Items – Miles van Noordennen

Action Items – Leah Parks

- Leah has an action to check with Paula how to set up the Committee Meeting virtual platform for June meeting.

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