

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

**DESD Officer & Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Sunday, June 17, 2018 – 3 PM EDT**

**Phone Number: (563) 999-1067
Participant Passcode: 673856
(New conference call number dedicated to DESD)**

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

Executive Committee Members (last year for tenure):

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

Jim Byrne	X		

X notes conference call participants

Executive Committee

1. Chairman’s Report (Dustin Miller)

Dustin discussed the value of new Executive Committee members to attend the Executive Committee Member Workshop held during the annual conference. Valerie Vasilievas has the slides and handouts. Gerry van Noordennen will get a copy from Valerie.

ANS President, Bob Coward, discussed the strategic direction to accelerate member professional development, promote innovation in nuclear technology, excel in engaging and informing the public and students, and to be an advocate for nuclear technology. He would like the ANS divisions to work more closely together, combine topical meetings and increase membership. He also wants companies to understand the value of ANS membership for their employees.

The August 5-8, 2018 Utility Working Conference was mentioned. One of the presenters from EnergySolutions will talk about Lessons Learned for Long-Term SAFSTOR.

Dustin also discussed the possibility of hosting an embedded topical DESD conference at the November 2019 ANS Winter Conference meeting

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2. Vice Chairman's Report (Doug Davis)

Doug is going to meet with Dave Hillyer on the Q&A posting for the DESD website. The Q&As will also poll the members on DESD interests.

Doug started the discussion on membership by reviewing the DESD Officer staffing and proposed change officer assignments. It was decided in the Winter 2017 DESD meeting that the duration of each term would be 18 months for an officer position.

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

1. Look for a new Treasurer after Gerry van Noordennen. Mark Campagna volunteered to help look for a new person to fill this role.
2. Identify and install the next Program Chair.

Doug Davis contacted ANS Headquarters to discuss these staffing changes and provided Valerie Vasilievas with a copy of the meeting minutes.

Doug discussed revival of the DESD newsletter. He will continue the effort to get it going again.

3. 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 were on this spring's ANS voting ballot.

4. Treasurer's Report (Gerry van Noordennen)

Gerry updated the DESD website with Linda Chou. The slides and handouts for the ANS Executive Committee member training class was requested from Valerie. The June 2018 budget numbers were reviewed. A significant addition to the account is expected from the proceeds of the Pacific Basin conference.

5. Scholarship (Mark Campagna)

The scholarship winners were:

Graduate: Megan Smith

Undergraduate: Coleman Curran

6. Student Conferences (Students from Richmond Commonwealth University)

Mark reported that 450 people (380 students and 70 professionals) attended the ANS Student Conference this Spring in Florida. There were three presentations in the Decommissioning Track. A high school girl from Japan won the best paper award.

We need to emphasize environmental sciences in future DESD conferences.

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The 2019 Student Conference will be April 4-6, 2019 in Richmond, Virginia sponsored by Richmond Commonwealth University. The theme is: Everyday Use of Nuclear Technology. The students asked for donations from DESD and experts to attend the technical session on Future Use of Power Plant Sites.

7. Pacific Basin Nuclear Conference (Jim Byrne)

Jim stated that there was a good turnout of papers for the conference DESD committed to support and participate in this conference. DESD is using this conference as the 2018 DESD Topical Conference.

8. 2019 DESD Topical Conference (Dustin Miller)

The DESD will sponsor at least 3 or 4 sessions at the ANS annual conference in Minneapolis next June. Members volunteered to sponsor sessions.

9. Next Call

The next call is scheduled for August 14, 2018.