

MINUTES OF THE 140TH MEETING OF THE AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY
DD& R EXECUTIVE MEETING
JUNE 04, 2000
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

Members Present: Carl Mazzola (Chair), Jim Byrne, Don Eggett, Lynne Goodman, Paul Hart, Tom LaGuardia, Mike Lackey, Vince Likar, Russell A. Mellor, Ken Powers, Jim Rang, Richard St. Onge, Paul Ziemer

Others Present:

Patty Augustyn	(Grover Technologies, paugustyn@gravertech.com)
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Timothy Polich	(NASA, tpolich@grc.nasa.gov)

1. The meeting convened at 1445. Lynne Goodman presented the award for best paper at the ANS Winter 1999 Meeting to Charles Wolf.

2. Chairman's Report – Carl Mazzola

We have absorbed the International Society of Decontamination and Decommissioning Professionals. They brought both members and treasury into our group. We now have 1,131 members, which represent a diverse group.

Tomorrow we have a joint luncheon with Fuel Cycle. On Tuesday night we have a multi-divisional mixer.

We should be able to complete endowment of the scholarship next year.

Hannah Shapira has done good work in developing the web page.

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the November 1999 meeting were approved.

4. Treasurers Report

Carol Mazzola presented the report for John Gunning. We are in healthy shape.

Lynne Goodman will talk to ANS Headquarters to ensure DD&R scholarship applications go to appropriate schools. More than normal nuclear engineering schools may be appropriate.

Carol Mazzola mentioned the subsidy for Radwaste Solutions magazine is over. Lynne Goodman discussed she had heard at the Local Sections meeting that DD&R is further subsidizing Radwaste Solutions by providing subscriptions to libraries near decommissioning sites and that this is being piloted. This effort is not budgeted for now and no one present knew about it.

The budget was revised to add \$1,000 for scholarship recipient attendance at the November 2000 meeting and \$2,000 to the 2001 budget for attendance at both meetings.

There was a question on why 12 month actual for 1999 does not include meeting expenses. No one knew the answer.

With the addition of the money for the scholarship student to attend the national meetings, the 2000 and 2001 budgets were then approved.

5. Andy Kadak

Mr. Kadak temporarily joined the meeting and asked if DD&R would write a policy statement on free release of clean waste material from facilities. He is not concerned with recycling just waste. Big Rock has TS change on this and is communicating with state. There was concern if we could muddy NRC and EPA waters.

The process involves the division writing a technical brief then a policy statement. How the ANSI N13.12 standard approved in 1999 relates to this was questioned. Art Desrosiers (chair), Jay Adler and Mark Lesinski will form an adhoc committee to write the policy statement. After it is written, division will approve it. When the division approves it, it will need to be sent to the public policy committee. Also, someone from operations should review the policy statement, since it affects more than decommissioning plants.

6. Standing Committee Reports

A. Honors & Awards – Lynne Goodman

Lynne announced that Bill Trubilowicz from Big Rock had been selected as the best panel member from the November meeting and arrangements are being made to present him the award. A special ANS President award has been give to Mary Gerry White in appreciation for all her ANS contributions over the years. Lynne presented recognition gifts to past and outgoing officers, committee chairs and out going executive committee members to Gerry Motl, Carl Mazzola, Mike Lackey, Don Eggett, Jim Rang, Jim Byrne, Russ Mellor, and Vince Likar. She will later present gifts to out going officers John Gunning and Neil Norman. Everyone's efforts are appreciated and needed in making the division successful.

B. Membership – Russ Mellor
Russ provided the membership report. Our membership has grown. In the future, we may need to try harder for members as utilities finish decommissioning projects and extend licenses. We will need to target DOE and their contractors. Often DOE has trouble getting approval.

C. Newsletter
The recent newsletter was eight pages in length. Vince Likar asked for pictures if possible. Input will be needed in September for the next newsletter. There was discussion as to whether we should distribute it by e-mail or just e-mail members saying it is on the website with a link. Vince will explore getting it e-mail distributed and look at a transition period.

D. Nominating Committee
The new officers and executive committee members are as follows:

Chairman: Don Egget
Vice Chair/Chair Elect: Ken Powers
Secretary: Lynne Goodman
Treasurer: Mike Lackey

New Executive Committee Members:
Patty Augustyn
Jim Miller
Jim Fiore
Amy Roddey

There was discussion on filling the executive committee position vacated by Ken Power becoming Vice Chair/Chair Elect. John Gunning was selected by the Executive Committee. Mark Ferri was selected as new Chair of the Membership Committee; Russ Mellor will provide assistance.

E. Program Committee
Since the majority of people were at the program committee, a separate report was not provided at the executive meeting.

Don Eggett mentioned the focus of the Milwaukee meeting will be safety

F. Standards Committee
Neil Norman was not present.

Ken Powers and Jim Rang mentioned input had been provided on Ops Training to Neil Norman. Don Eggett reported he had drafted most of Ops

Training standard and will send it for review to his sub-committee. There are drafts being worked on of the other standards also. The NRC is working on requirements also at the direction of the commission. Don Eggett has talked to Dick Dudley from NRC.

Paul Hart mentioned ASTM is working on decommissioning standards under Dick Meservy.

Carl Mazzola informed the group that once the drafts are developed, it is a lengthy process (maybe two years) to get them approved. Also, there is movement in government to use consensus standards.

G. Scholarship Committee – Lynne Goodman

Lynne was assigned to follow-up on amount needed for endowment. She also will ask for a picture of the student winning the scholarship for the newsletter. The student receiving the first DD&R scholarship has been selected. The announcement of the scholarship recipient is made in July.

After we finish endowing the undergraduate scholarship, we will look at whether we can endow a graduate scholarship. She also should get a picture to Radwaste Magazine.

H. Public Policy Committee

Amy Roddey was not present.

Andy Kadok's request fits this category. There was discussion that we need to determine what we want to develop policies on. Art Desrosiers discussed that we have standard on what is clean enough to be released and that is what we should address, not specifically recycling or waste.

I. Finance Committee – Gerry Motl

Gerry discussed that we have the funds to do good things to further our mission. Others should feed ideas to him. One idea was an informal dinner or mixer inviting targeted Washington audience to acquaint them with who we are and the knowledge we have.

J. Publicity Committee – Joe Carignan

Joe is the new chair of this committee. He asked for guidance on what the purpose is – e.g. internal or external publicity. The group agreed that the external audience is the important one to target. Visuals are important vs. detailed technical writing to show that safe work is being done. Joe will come up with a plan for the executive committee to review. He expects to do it within 60 days.

7. Vice Chair/Chair Elect's Report – Don Eggett

Don proposed putting together a DD&R capabilities expertise list. Ken Powers will draft this. Don Eggett discussed the difference between technical statement (e.g. has references), and policy statement, which is what we believe. The society wants us to do policy in the future on recycling.

Milwaukee meeting will be first meeting using electronic paper review. Don is concerned on the method ANS is planning to use. Jim Rang agreed to go to the demo on Wednesday. Joe Carignan will work with Jim Rang. They will put out a report on what they think of it.

A new division or technical group on space applications wants to be formed. Carl Mazzola will be presenting a report on health of the division. The Society has asked that the divisions contribute to Los Alamos victims. Feedback was that the government and insurance companies are covering damages. The committee decided not to contribute.

Infrastructure I, II, and III is being implemented. This includes planning meetings, conducting meetings and incentives for meetings. Don Eggett is looking at whether we should prepare short term planning document. We need to continue and increase working with other divisions. Don Eggett will talk to ANS's Washington representative Doug Wacetic about some of what we want to do with the external publicity. Don has action to find out more information on being able to go to formalized published papers.

8. Website

Hanna Shapira has upgraded the website. There was discussion that the website needs to be populated and updated with appropriate information. John Gunning will be requested to oversee this effort, as he is the best person based on his past efforts.

9. By-laws – Bill Naughton

Bill was not present, so there was no status on updates. The group agreed the current by-laws should go on the website.

10. Multi-Division Mixer

It will be more of a mixer than previously. Each of the five divisions contributed \$80.00.

Patty Augustyn volunteered to lead planning for the Washington mixer.

11. ASME D&D Handbook

Tom LaGuardia has been working extensively on this. The outline has been through several revisions. He thinks it still needs a lot of work.

Jim Rang said session chairs for Washington meeting needs to be at the July 23-24th paper review session. He plans to finish Monday. He will send an e-mail. (Note: later, Jim determined that panel chairs do not need to attend the July meeting).

Meeting was adjourned.

Attachments