MINUTES OF THE 142nd MEETING OF THE AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY DD& R EXECUTIVE MEETING JUNE 17, 2001 MILWAUKEE, WI

Members Present: Patty Augustyn, Sam Bhattacharyya, Art Desrosiers, Don Eggett, Jim Fiore, Lynne Goodman, Tom LaGuardia, Mike Lackey, Carl Mazzola, Russ Mellor, Will Phythian, Tim Polich, Jim Rang, Richard St. Onge, Jay Thayer, and Paul Ziemer (includes incoming and outgoing members)

Others Present:

Jim Byrne

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Neil Norman

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1.) Don Eggett convened the meeting at 1515 (see attachment 1 for agenda, see attachment 2 for attendance sheet).

2.) <u>Chairman's Report</u>

Don Eggett discussed that divisions will be asked to measure their performance in the future based on an initiative. Don will get together with Sam Bhattacharyya and Lynne Goodman and later the Executive Committee on performance monitoring. He thinks the division has performed well.

3.) November Meeting Minutes

Lynne Goodman presented the minutes. She had not received any comments. Carl Mazzola moved the meeting minutes for the November 12, 2000 meeting be approved. Jim Rang seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

4.) Radwaste Magazine

Nancy Zacha and Jon Payne discussed a proposal for DD&R to subsidize subscriptions to Radwaste Magazine for either first year DD&R members moving to second year members, or new members. The latter has the disadvantage that free subscriptions could be offered to people who otherwise would have subscribed. Previously, in 1999, we subsidized half price subscriptions. Of the group that accepted, 56% continued their subscription. The request was for us to subsidize up to 100 new subscriptions at a cost of up to \$3,500. The decision will be made after discussion of the budget. There was discussion that the magazine offers good

information. The magazine does not bring in enough money to cover its cost, which is why the request for subsidy.

5.) <u>Meeting Consolidation</u>

Patty Augustyn discussed that she and Lynne Goodman met with the Fuel Cycle Division Program Committee this afternoon. They are adamant on continuing Spectrum. There will be further discussion at 1000 Monday morning with Fuel cycle division personnel. A condition of having the Monday discussion was that Jim Fiore will attend; he is willing. Jim Fiore discussed that DOE's 2002 budget for travel is currently 50% of 2001's travel budget. The budget uncertainty will affect DOE's attendance at conferences and what Jim will be able to commit to. Also, the DOE administration may have new travel or meeting policies. Discussion could be helpful at this point, since plans for meeting consolidation could influence any new policy being developed.

Mike Lackey recommended that we push for a 2003 DD&R topical even if we can not consolidate meetings quickly, since it is a major portion of our revenue and placement is needed no later than November 2001. There was discussion on starting calendar placement activities this week.

An attractive location was discussed as being more important than being close to a site. Park City, Utah and Miami, Florida were mentioned as possibly being good for DOE attendance.

6.) ANS Students Conference Report

Don Todd thanked us for supporting the ANS Student Conference at Texas A&M, which 330 students attended. There was also a career fair at the conference.

Frank Buschman discussed the 2002 Student Conference at Penn State and passed out a brochure. He will be asking for support in November. They will also be looking for involvement by industry professionals.

There will also be a student topical at Reno. There was discussion on how research reactors attract students to universities.

7.) <u>Treasurer's Report</u>

Mike Lackey presented the Treasurer's Report (see attachment 4). The student travel expense was not spent for this conference. Mike discussed each line of the proposed budget. Jim Rang suggested that if the executive conference is successful, that a

scholarship endowment contribution be made as an expense, similarly to how the Big Rock executive conference did.

Some money was spent on the DD&R website. Don Eggett questioned what money we should continue to spend on the website. Don Eggett will send a message to find out how many hits and what the distribution of the hits are for the website.

The honors and award budget was decreased to \$250 for 2002 – this was voted on, with the majority carrying the motion to reduce the budget for honors and awards. The student support was increased to \$2,500 for 2002 to include supporting the 2002 student conference. The travel for the scholarship student was decreased to \$1,000, since there will not be a scholarship student in June 2002.

The idea of fully endowing the scholarship was brought up. Once fully endowed, we would not have to budget for the scholarship annually. By the end of the year, we should be within \$3K of being fully endowed. It was decided to revisit this in November. We will know then whether the executive conference will be able to provide any scholarship money. We will also know more about our finances then.

There was discussion on support of Radwaste Magazine. Several proposals were suggested. It was decided to provide \$1K to support Radwaste Magazine. Gerry Motl was assigned to determine how to best support the magazine with the money. He is requested to report back to the committee in November. Carl Mazzola moved to approve budget as revised, Patty Augustyn seconded it and the modified budget was approved unanimously.

8.) Program Committee Report

Jim Rang summarized the program committee meeting held earlier today. Support of Spectrum 2002 was discussed. DD&R needs to support the meeting. Jim Rang will find out what support is needed.

9.) Honors and Awards and Scholarship

Lynne Goodman announced that Richard Meservey was judged as having the best panel presentation at the November meeting. She also led a round of applause for all outgoing officers and executive committee members. Gifts were not purchased due to the tight budget.

She also reported that no scholarship was awarded this year since no worthy candidate interested in DD&R applied.

10.) <u>Vice Chair's Report</u>

Sam Bhattacharyya passed out a one-page report (see attachment 5) and a draft of "A State of the Division Report" he plans to present at the Executive Conference (see attachment 6). He asked for comments.

11.) Standards

Neil Norman discussed that he is now on an executive committee on standards and there has been some consolidation of standards. Three standards are still assigned to DD&R, but there has not been much progress.

- 3.12.1 Decommissioning of Nuclear Production and Utilization Facilities Defueled Security Plan, Dave Pilner chair
- 3.12.2 Decommissioning of Nuclear Production and Utilization Facilities Defueled Safety Analysis Report and Emergency Plan, Steve Shephard chair
- 3.12.3 Decommissioning of Nuclear production and Utilization Facilities: Operator Training, Don Eggett chair. He has a draft that is not yet formatted properly. Neil will work with Don on this.

Other DD&R related Standards assigned numbers are:

- 41.2 Criteria for Remote Sensing Techniques for Site Characterization in Environmental Remediation
- 41.5 Validation of Data from Radiological Analyses for Use in Environmental Remediation, draft is supposedly prepared. Neil is expecting it.
- 3.8.9 Criteria for Radiological Emergency Response Plans and the Implementing Procedures for Permanently Defueled commercial Nuclear Power Plants, Neil is recommending this standard be dropped since it is partly redundant to 3.12.2.

There was discussion on whether 41.2 and 41.5 have been superceded by MARSSIM and MARLAP (to be issued). These numbers were taken out years ago. Our scope is mainly the 3.12.1 and 3.12.2 and 3.12.3. There was some discussion as to whether we have been late enough so that these will no longer be useful, or whether the EPRI planning guide fills some of the need. The consensus was they should be prepared. We have a goal of having drafts of standards 3.12.1, 3.12.2 and 3.12.3 being done by November 2001 and ready for review to start.

12.) Membership Report

Russ Mellor passed out information on DD&R membership (see attachment 7). This information is based on paid membership as of spring. We are currently the 4th

largest division. As the commercial industry finishes projects, our membership could go down. There was discussion that renewal or re-licensing or replacement vs. decommissioning could be part of our mission. This can be discussed further at the November meeting.

13.) **DOE Activities**

Jim Fiore discussed that D&D took a cut in the administration's proposed DOE budget. Safety takes precedence, as does RCRA compliance. Rock Flats and Fernauld will get funding, but some other projects may not. Congress could increase the DOE budget, but that is uncertain.

14.) Bylaws

Lynne Goodman had distributed the proposed revised bylaws and operating manual to committee members prior to the meeting. No one had any comments. Jim Fiore and Mike Lackey moved and seconded the motion to approve the bylaws and manual. The executive committee approved the revisions. The next step is for the ANS bylaws committee to review the revised bylaws. If they approve them, the bylaws are sent to DD&R membership for review (see attachment 8 and 9).

15.) Goals

Tom LaGuardia will be sending out an e-mail in a week or so for review.

16.) Handbook

Tom LaGuardia has asked for some input and for response by the end of the month, even if in a rough draft.

17.) Action from Previous Meeting

Art Desrosiers provided input on public policy for endorsing release standard to a special committee on site cleanup and restorative standards. The committee that has the information is meeting from 4-5:30 in 201-B on Tuesday.

18.) Don Eggett thanked officers and committee members. Sam Bhattacharyya thanked Don Eggett.

The meeting adjourned at 1740.

Items for follow-up at November meeting

- 1.) Budget
- 2.) Use of \$1,000 for Radwaste Magazine Gerry Motl
- 3.) Meeting consolidation Patty Augustyn
- 4.) 2003 DD&R Topical
- 5.) Scholarship endowment

Items for follow-up at November meeting, continued

- 6.) DD&R website use Don Eggett
- 7.) Standards
- 8.) Goals
- 9.) Future mission of DD&R division as current commercial decommissionings are completed

Minutes recorded by L. Goodman

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Attachments

cc: DD&R Officers and Executive Committee Members

Other Attendees

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