



CUAHSI Board Meeting Minutes

April 1, 2014, Washington, DC

Roll Call

- 11 members are present, needed 10 for quorum
- “X” indicates Director is present

Term expires 12/31/2014

Diogo Bolster, University of Notre Dame X
Peter Troch, University of Arizona
Scott Tyler, University of Nevada, Reno (Chair) X
David White, Murray State University X

Term expires 12/31/2015

Anne Carey, Ohio State University
Robyn Hannigan, University of Massachusetts-Boston (past-Chair) X
Carol Johnston, South Dakota State University X
Witold Krajewski, University of Iowa X
Brian Waldron, University of Memphis

Term expires 12/31/2016

Michael Gooseff, Colorado State University X
David Hyndman, Michigan State University X
Brian McGlynn, Duke University X
Holly Michael, University of Delaware X
Todd Rasmussen, University of Georgia X
Al Valocchi, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign X

Officers & Staff Present: Rick Hooper (CUAHSI), Jennifer Arrigo (CUAHSI), Emily Geosling (CUAHSI), Adam Ward (Secretary)

Minutes prepared by Adam Ward

Tuesday, April 1, 2014

15:34 EDT Call to Order

1. Updates and Announcements (Hooper, Tyler)
 - a. CUAHSI Office Staffing update
 - i. Tyler summarized that Arrigo had reported the expected resignation of Yeliseyeva at the 18-March-2014 Executive Committee meeting. He reported that the Executive Committee directed Arrigo to hire a temporary staff person to help fill this position.
 - ii. Arrigo reported that she interviewed two potential candidates for the position, and made an offer to one of the candidates. An offer was extended and accepted, and a new staff member was hired with one week of overlap with Yeliseyeva.
 - iii. Hooper reported he was pleased with the hire, and expects this to be a permanent staff hire. He is pleased with the position.
 - iv. Johnston asked how long Yeliseyeva had held the position. Hooper reported that she held the position for about one year.
 - b. NSF announcement: EAR seeks new Division Director
 - i. Tyler summarized that the NSF is searching for a new Division Director for EAR. Hooper clarified that this is for both permanent and rotator positions, and encouraged the group to identify appropriate candidates for the position.
 - ii. The group discussed several potential candidates that are hydrologists.
2. Approval of Minutes from 2/4/2014 and 3/4/2014 (Tyler)
 - a. **Motion to accept minutes from February 4, 2014.**
 - i. **Motion: Valocchi**
 - ii. **Second: McGlynn**
 - iii. **Discussion: None**
 - iv. **Approval: Yes**
 1. **Yes: Bolster, Tyler, White, Hannigan, Krajewski, Gooseff, Hyndman, McGlynn, Rasmussen, Valocchi**
 2. **No:**
 3. **Abstentions: Michael (was not present at that meeting)**
 - b. **Motion to accept minutes from March 4, 2014.**
 - i. **Motion: Johnston**
 - ii. **Second: Bolster**
 - iii. **Discussion: None**
 - iv. **Approval: Yes (unanimous)**
3. Biennial Meeting Update (McGlynn, Geosling, Arrigo)
 - a. McGlynn reported that many speakers have been confirmed. He estimated 75% of speakers have been confirmed. He has a contingency plan in place for topics where the chairs do not identify an acceptable slate of speakers.
 - b. Hooper questioned the enthusiasm for the meeting. McGlynn reported that conflicts were mostly personal plans or other summer meetings, but that there was not a systematic lack of interest in the meeting.
 - c. Hooper and Arrigo requested McGlynn get the names and email addresses for speakers to them in the coming weeks so that travel authorizations can be processed.

- d. The group discussed possible field trips in the local area, including focus on the geologic setting and regional hydrology and landforms.
 - e. Tyler requested the confirmed speakers be listed on the website in a timely fashion. Arrigo reported that she has been updating this and expects it to be fully updated this week.
 - f. The group discussed potential for student double-occupancy to save money for research groups, and also discussed the deadline for early registration.
4. Selection of 2014 CUAHSI Community Service Award recipients (Tyler)
- a. Tyler had requested Board members review nominations prior to the meeting (available online at: <https://cuahsi.centraldesktop.com/bod/folder/3702394/>) and submit any nominations by close of business on 31-March-2014.
 - b. Tyler summarized the nominees for the award. He noted that two awards have been made at past meetings. The group discussed the applicant pool and the number of awards to give.
 - c. The Board voted on the nominees, and a decision was made on the awards. Hooper will contact the award recipients.
5. Authorization of Hooper April/May/June travel (Hooper)
- a. Hooper outlined the following travel in the coming months, pending Board approval:
 - i. City College of New York, Ontology Capstone Meeting, April 8-9, New York City
 - ii. SEAD Project Meeting, April 10-11, Ann Arbor, MI, (travel paid by SEAD Community Outreach)
 - iii. (Previously approved: Beijing, April 14-19)
 - iv. (Previously approved: Vienna, EGU, April 27-May 3)
 - v. Joint Aquatic Science Meeting, May 18-22, Portland, OR (presenting papers and meeting with Inland Waters Group)
 - vi. iEMSs, June 15-19, San Diego, CA, (chairing 2 sessions, SCIHM meeting, and giving paper)
 - b. **Motion to approve travel outlined above.**
 - i. **Motion: Rasmussen**
 - ii. **Second: Bolster**
 - iii. **Discussion: None**
 - iv. **Approval: Yes**
 - 1. **Yes: Tyler, White, Hannigan, Johnston, Krajewski, Gooseff, Hyndman, McGlynn, Michael, Rasmussen, Valocchi**
 - 2. **No:**
 - 3. **Abstentions: Johnston (exited meeting prior to vote)**
6. Discussion of Science Plan (Tyler, Hooper)
- a. Tyler requested Board members review initial discussions available online at: <https://cuahsi.centraldesktop.com/bod/folder/3702394/#folder:3760709>
 - b. Hooper reported that he is pleased with the ongoing discussion. He articulated the need to differentiate between the role of CUAHSI in contrast to what individual PIs could achieve.
 - c. Gooseff articulated the need to differentiate CUAHSI as a leader in comparison to a partner in research efforts, and to clarify how PIs could interact with CUAHSI on future efforts. The group discussed the role of CUAHSI as a supporter or enabler or research, and the potential for subcontracts to CUAHSI for services that outside the scope of existing CUAHSI efforts.

- d. Valocchi clarified the need for the discussion to include both the scientific questions and the required infrastructure or support. Hooper noted the goal is to identify research that can only be addressed via CUAHSI, outside of the scale of a typical project.
 - e. Hooper suggested that the document needs to lay out science questions in a way a non-specialist would understand, and in a way that describes why PI led grants wouldn't be possible, so that it is clear what CUAHSI's role is.
 - f. Tyler noted that sidebars and examples don't have to explicitly say what CUAHSI would do; but rather separate those ideas to sidebars. Hooper suggests this can be a continuing conversation. Board members should email Hooper directly or add to document on Central Desktop; Hooper will continue to follow up and set up interviews to discuss ideas further
 - g. Tyler encouraged the Board that even "bits and pieces of ideas are ok;" the important thing is to get the basic idea up there, they can be expanded upon and refined during the interviews and discussions.
 - h. Tyler reiterated that the goal of this activity is to have enough of a draft of the plan to engage the community in a discussion at the Biennial.
7. Membership update (Arrigo, Hooper)
- a. Arrigo reported that there are currently 103 active members. Two new recent members are Yale University (new member) and Montana State University (reinstated).
 - b. Arrigo reviewed that as of the January Board meeting there were 15 members in arrears. Of these 15, Clarkson University has resigned. Of the remaining 14, seven universities have paid, three universities have confirmed interest in continuing membership and are working on payment, and there are four universities for which Board contacts have not received a response. These four members are in danger of being dropped from the consortium if there is no resolution.
 - c. Arrigo and Hooper will continue to work with Board members who are making individual contacts.
8. Instrumentation Standing Committee Composition (Hyndman, Tyler)
- a. Tyler reported that he and Hyndman (Board Liaison) have assembled a roster that they will present to the Board at a future meeting for appointment. They are still finalizing the roster and would like to get a member from NEON on the committee.
9. CLM pilot initiation update (Arrigo)
- a. Arrigo reported that an Eos article introducing the pilot project has been circulated among the leadership group (Krajewski, Reinfelder, Gochis) as well as Tyler and that she has received feedback and comments from all. She is in the process of addressing comments and producing a final draft. Arrigo will circulate to the leadership committee and then provide the final draft to the Board for review before submitting to EOS. Gooseff notes he is currently and editor at Eos, this should be mentioned in the cover letter to avoid COI.
10. **Motion to Adjourn**
- a. **Motion: Hyndman**
 - b. **Second: McGlynn**
 - c. **Discussion: None**
 - d. **Approval: Yes**
 - 1. **Yes: Tyler, White, Hannigan, Johnston, Krajewski, Gooseff, Hyndman, McGlynn, Michael, Rasmussen, Valocchi**
 - 2. **No:**
 - 3. **Abstentions: Johnston (exited meeting prior to vote)**

16:42 EDT Adjourn

Meeting Documents:

1. None