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CUAHSI Board Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2020

Roll Call

13 members are present, 10 needed for quorum. “X” indicates present

Term expires 12/31/2020

Al Valocchi, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign X

Amir AghaKouchak, University of California-Irvine X

Jesus Gomez-Velez, Vanderbilt University X

R. Edward Beighley, Northeastern University X

Term expires 12/31/2021

Gordon Grant, Oregon State University X

Steve Loheide, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Chair) X

Jeanne VanBriesen, Carnegie Mellon University (Past Chair)

Gretchen Miller, Texas A&M University X

Alejandro Flores, Boise State University

Greg Characklis, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill X

Term expires 12/31/2022

Aditi Bhaskar, Colorado State University X

Anne Jefferson, Kent State University X

Anne Nolin, University of Nevada-Reno X

Ashok Mishra, Clemson University X

Jay Zarnetske, Michigan State University X

Officers: (terms expire 12/31/2020)

Audrey Sawyer, Ohio State University (Treasurer)

Adam Ward, Indiana University (Secretary) X

CUAHSI Staff Present: Jerad Bales, Emily Clark, Martin Seul

Guests: (none)

Minutes prepared by Ward

1. Executive Director's Report
 - a. Bales highlighted recent efforts including:
 - i. CUAHSI co-signed a call for open data and modeling related to the pandemic, which was published in Science.
 - ii. A grant to Rick Hooper led to a publication on CUAHSI providing a domain-specific data repository, published in WIREs Water.
 - iii.
 - b. Bales reported the final report for the previous grant was submitted. The report includes highlights of accomplishments from the last 5 years.
 - c. Bales reported that the RAPID on online education led by Ward was funded. He reminded the Board to please participate by sharing educational content on HydroShare.
 - d. CUAHSI is a co-PI on an open knowledge network proposal that will be submitted this week. This is a follow-up on a one-year exploratory proposal that has been underway for the past year.
 - e. Bales reported that Emily Clark is working on a web site review, clean-up, and minor reorganization.
 - f. CUAHSI hosted an EGU 'help desk' session.
 - g. Bales in joining a series of workshops hosted by the UNESCO International Hydrology Program -- a CUAHSI Affiliate Member -- focused on online education.
 - h. Bales has hired a new student intern working with A. CAstronovo on computational infrastructure hosted by CUAHSI.
 - i. Bales reminded the team to circulate the Deputy Director position advertisement widely, as the search remains open. He reported several applications have been received, and he expects to begin reviewing applications in June 2020. Loheide reminded the group this position represents strategic growth at CUAHSI, which will allow increased capacity in pursuit of new opportunities and helping manage the growing team and portfolio.
2. Board Chair report
 - a. Based on feedback from the Board, Loheide reported that the summer 2020 Board meeting would be held virtually. The meeting will be held on July 27-29, 2020 from 12:00-15:00 Eastern for the meeting.
3. 2021 Biennial Venue Options
 - a. Bales circulated a list of options for the 2021 biennial meeting prior to the meeting. He reviewed the options for the Board, including availability and unique costs and benefits of each. CUAHSI Staff will assess options and finalize the scheduling.
4. HydroShare Discover Project
 - a. Clark presented a summary of the HydroShare Discover project, focused on improving search functionality and data discovery. The group discussed current functionality and use cases, and their experience using the Discover tools on HydroShare.

- b. Miller suggested standardization of keywords from a database (e.g., AGU index terms) was suggested, possibly in addition to flexible keywords.
- 5. Board Nominations and Nominating Committee
 - a. Loheide accepted volunteers from the Board to serve on the nominations committee. The Board discussed seeking a diverse committee for the nominating committee, as well as for the slate of candidates.
- 6. Adjournment
 - j. Loheide opened the floor to any other business. Hearing none, the meeting was adjourned.

13:00 EDT Adjourned