



## CUAHSI Board Meeting Minutes

*February 3, 2015, via teleconference*

### **Roll Call**

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

### **Term expires 12/31/2015**

Anne Carey, Ohio State University X

Robyn Hannigan, University of Massachusetts-Boston

Carol Johnston, South Dakota State University X

Witold Krajewski, University of Iowa X

Brian Waldron, University of Memphis X

### **Term expires 12/31/2016**

Michael Gooseff, Colorado State University X

David Hyndman, Michigan State University

Brian McGlynn, Duke University X

Holly Michael, University of Delaware X

Todd Rasmussen, University of Georgia X

Al Valocchi, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (Chair) X

### **Term expires 12/31/2017**

Erkan Istanbuluoglu, University of Washington X

D. Scott Mackay, SUNY University at Buffalo X

Kamini Singha, Colorado School of mines X

Scott Tyler, University of Nevada, Reno (past-Chair)

**Officers & Staff Present:** Adam Ward (Secretary), Rick Hooper (CUAHSI)

Minutes prepared by Adam Ward

**Tuesday, February 3, 2015**

15:00 EST Call to Order

1. Status of WDC Director search
  - a. Valocchi reported that the Water Data Center director search committee conducted an interview of Martin Seul. Waldron and Valocchi summarized their interview. The group discussed several possible strategies moving forward, noting that Martin has been appointed as acting director for the Water Data Center for a one-year term.
2. Status of National Flood Interoperability Experiment
  - a. Hooper reported that he continued to work on this project, including budget planning. He expects CUAHSI will receive an award via the NSF to fund this activity. He continues to work on planning for these activities through a series of webinars.
  - b. Krajewski has been working on these webinars, too. He reported that the group is working hard to be sure that the students' experience is positive.
  - c. The group discussed the general outline of the event, including mentoring for students, technical advances, and a capstone event or conference that would highlight results and community resources that could integrate with some EarthCube projects.
3. NSF Consortia Meeting
  - a. Hooper reported that he is invited to attend a meeting of several research consortia (e.g., UCAR, IRIS) with Roger Wakimoto, focused on the strategic plan currently in review.
  - b. Valocchi reported that the BoD had previously discussed limiting Hooper's travel to necessary meetings to ensure he was present to oversee CUAHSI staff in Boston.
  - c. **Motion to approve travel for Hooper to attend NFIE planning meeting on Feb. 4 and to meet with Roger Wakimoto (Associate Director Geoscience) on Feb. 5.**
    - i. **Motion: Johnston**
    - ii. **Second: Krajewski**
    - iii. **Discussion: (none)**
    - iv. **Vote: Approved (unanimous)**
      1. **Michael had not yet joined the meeting at the time of this vote**
4. Education and Outreach standing committee
  - a. Hooper reported that Emad Habib, who has worked on data visualization, was interested in serving on the E&O committee. Habib attended the last committee meeting and is interested in serving.
  - b. **Motion to appoint Emad Habib (Univ. of Louisiana, Lafayette) to the E&O standing committee.**
    - i. **Motion: Krajewski**
    - ii. **Second: Gooseff**
    - iii. **Discussion: (none)**
    - iv. **Vote: Approved (unanimous)**
      1. **Michael had not yet joined the meeting at the time of this vote**
5. Review of action items from January Board meeting
  - a. Hooper reviewed a list of action items from the January 2015 BoD meeting, providing updates.
  - b. Hooper expects that the budget for Year 2 of the current cooperative agreement with NSF will be funded as requested.

- c. Rasmussen reported the Spring CyberSeminar series will tentatively be hosted by Steven Brantley, and a list of both field-based and modeling-based researchers to invite.
  - d. Hooper has finalized and submitted the management report.
  - e. Martin Clark is working on an article for the Water Resources Research 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary issue focused on hydrologic modeling and future directions for land surface models.
  - f. Hooper is working with Thanos Papanicolaou on a soil carbon workshop, to be organized in conjunction with a larger technical conference. Hooper felt this would help ensure attendance. Hooper reported one additional short-course / workshop could still be supported.
  - g. Valocchi has reserved a facility in Chicago, IL for a regional meeting on 20-April-2015.
  - h. Michael will organize the upcoming Biennial conference. Hooper suggested that progress on themes and speakers be made in the coming months.
  - i. Singha will replace Hyndman as the BoD liaison to the Instrumentation Standing Committee.
6. Posting of January minutes
- a. Hooper reported that he posted a draft of minutes from the January 2015 Board of Directors meeting. He requested that people review the minutes and provide any suggested changes to Ward. Ward will request Action Without Meeting
  - b. In general, this procedure will be followed.
7. CUAHSI Staffing
- a. Hooper discussed current staffing at CUAHSI and needs for management of programs. Hooper outlined some ideas to better utilize staff talents and resources for the coming year.
8. **Motion to adjourn.**
- a. **Motion: Gooseff**
  - b. **Second: Waldron**
  - c. **Discussion: (none)**
  - d. **Vote: Approved (unanimous)**

15:48 EST      Adjourn

**Meeting Documents:**

- 1. (none)