



CUAHSI Board Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2016

Roll Call

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

Term expires 12/31/2016

Michael Gooseff, Colorado State University X
David Hyndman, Michigan State University (Chair) X
Holly Michael, University of Delaware X
Todd Rasmussen, University of Georgia X
Al Valocchi, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (past-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 X

Term expires 12/31/2018

Matt Cohen, University of Florida X
David Genereux, North Carolina State University (Chair-elect) X
Gordon Grant, Oregon State University X
Erich Hester, Virginia Tech X
Steve Loheide, University of Wisconsin-Madison X
Jeanne VanBriesen, Carnegie Mellon University X

Officers & Staff Present: Adam Ward (Secretary), Martin Seul (CUAHSI), Rick Hooper (CUAHSI), Noah Schmadel (assisting Secretary)

Minutes prepared by Adam Ward & Noah Schmadel

Wednesday, March 3, 2016

13:00 EST Call to Order

1. Status of February 10 minutes (Ward)
 - a. Ward reported that minutes from February were posted in a Google Doc for comment. He requested votes be entered directly in the Google spreadsheet.
2. Status of Search for Executive Director (Valocchi)
 - a. Valocchi made a few revisions to the schedule for hiring. He reported that 10 total applicants were received for the position, with letters requested and phone interviews anticipated for 5 applicants. The goal for the April meeting is for the search committee to present a short list for full interviews, likely 2 to 3 full interviews. The BoD may participate as they see fit in the formal interview, including adding questions.
3. Biennial Meeting Update
 - a. Field Trip status (Hooper/Tran)
 - i. Hooper reported the trips are currently in logistics stage, with 2 good field trips planned: Shenandoah and Potomac Rivers, Karst system (end at Antietam battle site). Both are reasonable in length and travel. We will likely have a bus with capacity of 50 for each trip. Registration is expected to open April 15.
 - b. Career Panel (Grad Student session request)
 - i. A career development panel is planned with 4 to 6 participants including diverse training, perspectives, and gender. The session would be tentatively from 4-6 pm on the last day of the meeting, followed by board representatives meeting with grad students after for dinner.
 - c. Workshop status (Hooper)
 - i. Hooper reported Emily is coordinating registration. He expects final descriptions by March 15 including 3 or 4 proposed workshops.
 - d. Scientific sessions (Michael)
 - i. Michael reported that several speakers are confirmed, and she continues working on finalizing the program.
 - e. Service Awards (Hyndman) and Film Program (Hooper)
 - i. The group discussed several possible nominees for the award (names redacted from minutes). Valocchi emphasized the need for nominees to have a connection to CUAHSI. Hooper requested written nominations. Board members have volunteered to write up a brief nomination for candidates for discussion and vote at the next meeting.
 - ii. Hooper led a brief discussion of the expected film program at the Biennial conference.
4. Graduate Student Engagement
 - a. Background: Use Biennial meeting to develop more formal, direct connection with graduate students. ExCom discussed approaches and recommends against a single grad student representative to Board but instead having meetings of a few Directors with graduate students. First such meeting to be on Wednesday evening at Biennial. Potential opportunistic follow-ups at AGU and GSA?
 - i. Hooper discussed the goal of engaging and training students, particularly initiating their relationship with CUAHSI. The previous approach was to set a graduate student counsel, but this may not be the best way to better connect

with students. A more productive way might be to have a few directors and multiple grad students partnered, with the goal of engagement being to teach students about CUAHSI. Hooper is developing plans, and expects to follow-up with attendees from AGU events.

- b. The group discussed that the number of directors depends on the number of grad students wanting to attend and whether the setting should be informal/casual.
 - i. Grant suggested that casual linkages might not be the right way to go, suggesting thematic organization.
 - ii. Genereux suggested that the Board is open to other types of interactions that may be suggested by the student group, and that an initial informal gathering after the career panel has value in relationship-building between the Board and student group.
5. Approval of Rick's travel
- a. Hooper summarized anticipated travel to New York on Friday, March 4 to meet with Asa Johnson on JFF funding for LTAW and Linda Lilienfeld on a film program for the Biennial.
 - b. **Motion to approve Hooper's Travel as outlined above.**
 - i. **Motion: Valocchi**
 - ii. **Second: Cohen**
 - iii. **Discussion: (none)**
 - iv. **Vote: Approved (unanimous)**
6. Standing Committee Charges
- a. Hooper will develop charges to the standing committees. He expects to share these as google docs in the coming weeks, and to meet with board liaisons to sort this out.
7. Google Drive usage
- a. Group consensus was that this system is currently working well.
8. **Motion to adjourn.**
- a. **Motion: Genereux**
 - b. **Second: Rasmussen**
 - c. **Discussion: (none)**
 - d. **Vote: Approved (unanimous)**

13:51 EST Adjourn