

*Board of Director Meeting Minutes
August 09, 2011*

Present: Larry Band, Jay Famiglietti, David Freyberg, Robyn Hannigan, Tissa Illangasekare, Jennifer Jacobs, Carol Johnston, Jim McNamara, Larry Murdoch, Aaron Packman, Todd Rasmussen, Ying Fan Reinfelder Scott Tyler, Jennifer Arrigo,

QUORUM

Meeting opens 1:00PM

- 1) **Approval of Minutes from 7/18-7/19/2011**
 - a. **Motion: Freyberg**
 - b. **Second: Tyler**
 - c. **Discussion: None**
 - d. **Approval: Yes**
- 2) Dalhousie University Application for International Affiliate Membership (Arrigo)
 - a. Canadian University – 1 representative with voting rights, but no board representative
 - b. Dr Shannon Sterling as representative
 - c. 16 international affiliates currently
 - d. **Motion to approve Dalhousie University as International Member**
 - i. **Motion: Tyler**
 - ii. **Second: McNamara**
 - iii. **Discussion: None**
 - iv. **Approval: Yes**
- 3) Progress Update on July Board meeting Items (Arrigo)
 - a. Nominating Committee formed
 - i. Board nominations due to Graham by Sept 29
 - ii. Committee meeting next week
 - b. CZO PI group to meet with ExCom
 - i. Will meet in next week
 - c. Management review received from NSF
 - i. Response due to NSF October 15th
 - ii. Questions from NSF available on Central Desktop
 - d. Annual report / budget request due October 31
 - i. Initial dialogue with NSF
 - ii. Pilot REU proposal sent to Lina and Tim
 - iii. Reclassification of Communications Director to Communications and Outreach Specialist
 - iv. Additional items to be added to year 4 request
 1. Kenn Potter
 2. Catalogue of Field Sites
 3. Review of prioritization exercise from July Board Meeting

- e. Program activities
 - i. HIS / Informatics
 - 1. Contract executed with Alva Couch
 - 2. User committee established
 - 3. Fall webinar series on HIS
 - 4. Informatics committee reconstituted
 - a. Scott Mackay chair
 - b. Taugue, Demir appointed
 - ii. E/O
 - 1. Pathfinder announcement Sept 1
 - a. October 7 deadline, for AGU announcement of fellowships
 - b. Doyle and Gooseff suggested as third member of selection committee – Hooper will approach
 - 2. Fall / Spring CZO/WSC seminar series
 - a. Rasmussen as host
 - b. Long term observatories
 - 3. Instrumentation
 - a. 2 workshops in 2012
 - i. Hydroacoustics
 - ii. HGP techniques
 - 4. CHyMP
 - a. See below
 - 5. Synthesis
 - a. Ad-hoc committee tasked with evaluating opportunities before committee reforms
- 4) Report from Broadening the Funding Base Ad Hoc Committee - policy for approval (Tyler)
 - a. Committee members are Tyler, Rasmussen, Band and McNamara
 - b. Developed conceptual model of CUAHSI participation in proposals
 - i. 3 proposal participation modes
 - 1. Core funding
 - a. Seeking funding for continuing funding for CUAHSI, as per mission statement
 - b. CUAHSI will not submit proposals to perform scientific research
 - i. While CUAHSI is not currently doing scientific research, Freyberg, Rasmussen argue such a statement is unnecessary and limiting.
 - ii. **Replace with language outlining purpose of CUAHSI in introduction, and more positive language without caveats.**
 - 2. Community Based Proposals
 - a. Proposals can be submitted through CUAHSI, as long as proposals serve larger hydrological

- community. Community members would write bulk of proposals
- b. Data Center as possible model for these proposals, as well as workshops
- c. Suggests board approval of this type of proposal
 - i. Hooper suggests this might require amendment of bylaws
 - ii. Replace language with “review of board”
- 3. CUAHSI participation in Investigator Led Proposals
 - a. Transparent, equal to all investigators
 - b. Will only decline if outside of CUAHSI mission statement, or if reimbursement to additional CUAHSI costs is insufficient
 - c. **Add some language limiting commitments to those that are reasonable**
- 4. **Suggested 4th category**
 - a. **Letters of support / commitment**
- c. **Motion to approve draft policy for proposals with caveats that above edits are made**
 - i. **Motion: Tyler**
 - ii. **Second: Illangasekare**
 - iii. **Discussion: No**
 - iv. **Approve: Yes**
- 5) Approval of Biennial Theme (McNamara)
 - a. New summary with language on CZOs and practitioners
 - b. New Session re: CZOs
 - i. Incorporated CZOs
 - c. Post meeting workshop on Prediction Under Change, funded by Sivapalan
 - d. McNamara requests approval to invite speakers, chairs for sessions
 - i. No quorum, but general approval for McNamara to move forward
- 6) Process for Selection of CUAHSI Community Service Award (Arrigo, Murdoch)
 - a. Will move forward via email
- 7) Review of Community Water Model Platform position paper for internal NSF review (Murdoch)
 - a. NSF recommended plan for focused effort – position paper as response
 - b. Workshop report available on CDT
 - c. Position paper as way to move forward, and unify CUAHSI response
- 8) Endorsement of National Flood Research and Education Center
 - a. Tabled

Quorum lost at 2:05

Meeting closed 2:20 PM