

CNMS UEC Agenda, Wednesday, January 9, 2013

11:00 am Eastern Standard Time

Participants (attendees in blue)

Chair – Tony Hmelo (Vanderbilt University)

Vice-Chair – Vivek Prabhu (NIST)

Secretary – Milan Buncick (AEGIS Technologies Group)

At-Large Members:

Nina Balke (ORNL/CNMS); Nazanin Bassiri-Gharb (Georgia Tech); Mike Hickner (Penn State); Molly Kennedy (Clemson U.); Megan Robertson (U. Houston); Ichiro Takeuchi (U. Maryland); Rafael Verduzco (Rice U.)

Past Chair, ex officio member – Martyn McLachlan (Imperial College, London)

CNMS (non-members) – Tony Haynes, Viviane Schwartz, Sandy Lowe, Sean Smith

- **Welcome new UEC Members!**
- **News from CNMS** (Haynes)
 - Proposal call 2013A wrap-up
 - 161 submitted; 101 approved, begin February 1 – January 31, 2014
 - Follow-up with PIs on 2012B project starts
 - PIs emailed December 6; four responses received as of today; no issues.
- **Proposal Review Committee composition**
 - Achieving broader engagement by users/UEC in identification of larger pool of qualified reviewers
 - Currently: User Office invites reviewers to join; do not limit terms, growing familiarity with CNMS; ask GLs for suggestions; PI's also suggest optional reviewers not on the PRC; review for COI
 - Suggestions by UEC for future selections to the PRC?
 - Post form on the website to solicit open submissions of reviewer names
 - Solicit users in specific topical areas for them to suggest reviewers (to be vetted by UEC)
 - Include a type of self-ranking in areas of expertise (for the PRC member to complete)
- **2013 UEC Activities**
 - Schedule for monthly telecons (Spring Semester)
 - Poll to UEC - **Sandy**
 - Limit to Tues-Thurs; times 9, 10, and 11am (Eastern Time)
 - NUFO User Science Exhibition in DC (http://www.nufo.org/files/news/NUFO_News_December_2012.pdf)
 - Potential opportunity to contribute “interactive demo-type exhibit” – think about options
 - Perhaps take along student-user(s)
 - Plans for 2013 User Meeting
 - Discussion of a multi-facility meeting this year at ORNL, with more industrial flavor
 - October is a likely month for the meeting (CNMS proposal deadline will be mid October)
 - More discussion in upcoming UEC meetings

Next Conference Call: TBD by poll