

SNS HFIR User Group (SHUG) Executive Committee Minutes
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Teleconference held October 4, 2013, 1:00pm EST.

Present

- Executive Committee: Tyrel McQueen (chair), Greg Beaucage, Dave Belanger, Hanno zur Loye, Yan Gao, Brad Lokitz, Claire White, Morten Ring Eskildsen, Yang Zhang, Andrea Marcinkova,
- Guests: Al Ekkebus, Mike Simonson, Thomas Proffen, Rob McQueeney

Absent

- Executive Committee: Robert McKenna

Minutes submitted for review by B. Lokitz.

ATTACHMENTS and WEBSITES of interest from the teleconference:

- No attachments

AGENDA

1. Roll call
2. Approval of minutes from September meeting
3. Approval of current agenda
4. Action items from September meeting – Send out SNS science plan
5. Updates
 - a. Kelly's updates/comments – given by Rob McQueeney: 1.4 MW achieved and ran accelerator at 1.3 MW for 1 day at 85% reliability. Science plan was delivered to DOE on Oct 1. Will be sent out to SHUG committee. Government shut down during October was not affecting operations at SNS and was not expected to impact start up at HIFR (Oct 8) or SNS (Oct 18). SNS has a contract in place for helium to be delivered and not expecting any change in supply. IMAGINE (HFIR) commissioning report signed off.
 - b. SNS/HFIR facility/instrument updates (Division directors)
 - i. Paul Langan (Biology and Soft Matter). – no report
 - ii. Steve Nagler (Quantum Condensed Matter). – no report

- iii. Mike Simonson (Chemical and Engineering Materials). – POWGEN has mail in sample program and it is going well. POWGEN also has new detectors in place that make data collection much faster. Still needs cadmium plates to improve signal to noise ratio.

- iv. Thomas Proffen (Neutron Data Analysis and Visualization). – Live steaming data and auto reduction is available on HYSPEC and SEQUIA. ADARA will be added to VISION soon.

- c. User office updates (AI for Laura Edwards) – Proposal call ended 9/11 with over 400 proposals at SNBS and 250 a HFIR for a total of 3200 days. Science review committee will be on site Oct 21-22 and beam time announcements expected last week in October. Next call will be announced at the end of February. ACNS will be June 1-5 in Knoxville.

6. New Business (Tyrel)

Next telecon date: November 1st, 2013 1:00 pm EST.