

SHUG-EC Conference Call: Tues. May 21, 2019

Present at ORNL:

Mark, Suzanne, Crystal, Eugene, Adam, Ken

Online:

Martin, Olivier, Sudipta, William, Ally, Stephen

Document approval:

- Minutes from April 2019 conference call: approve
- Agenda for May 2019 conference call: approve

User meeting:

- Poster judges: Ally, Sudipta, Eugene, Dvora, Adam, Jaime, Mark, Joe
- Early Career Panel: Adam, Olivier, Dvora, Ally, Sudipta. Each member of the panel should present a brief summary of their career path. These introductions will be followed by Q+A from graduate students and postdocs.
- Instrument scientist awards: 10 nominations for 10 different people. Suzanne will send these nominations to SHUG-EC and we need to figure out how to choose the winners. One scientist from HFIR and one from SNS should be chosen.
- On-site SHUG-EC attendance: Olivier, Ally, Adam, Eugene, Dvora, Sudipta, Michelle. Not attending: William, Stephen, Marc, Martin. Unknown: Jaroslaw.
- Group Leader Panel with SHUG membership: SHUG-EC needs to come up with four questions that will be discussed by this panel. We have prepared a draft of these four questions. Adam will edit the fourth question.
- DOE review of NSD's new software plan will take place on July 17. Some SHUG-EC members should participate in this review. Volunteers: Ally, Martin.
- Recommended discussion topics for on-site SHUG-EC:
 - Recent changes to Software Engineering Group in NSD (1 – 1.5 hours)
 - Sample environment follow-up to 2018 SHUG-EC on-site meeting recommendations (1 hour)
 - STS instruments: community involvement in instrument selection (1 hour)
 - Updates for new instruments at SNS and HFIR (0.5 hour)

Updates to SHUG bylaws

- Crystal has drafted a revision of the SHUG bylaws
- The SHUG-EC needs to review these revisions and then they can be further discussed with SHUG members at the town hall meeting in June. Following the on-site user meeting, the revised bylaws need to be posted on the SHUG website.

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Facility updates (Mark)

- Current estimate for SNS restart after mercury loop safety incident is June 20
- Scheduled summer shutdown for SNS is now being moved to October. This change will result in only 14 days of lost neutron production.
- The updated SNS neutron production schedule will likely be posted online at the end of June.
- HFIR is still scheduled to restart in late 2019
- Current plan is to re-schedule all experiments that were originally cancelled once the facilities resume operations

Next meeting

- June 3, 2019: 1 – 5 PM, SHUG-EC on-site meeting