

SHUG EC May 2018 Teleconference, 5/14/2018

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On-call: Ally Fry-Petit, Kate Ross, Antonio Faraone, Stephen Wilson, Marc Janoschek

A. Document approval

- 1) Minutes from April 2018 conference call: approve
- 2) Agenda for May 2018 conference call: approve

B. Interactions with government officials at Capital Hill (Kate)

- 1) Important questions:
 - i) Can ORNL pay for external users' travel to meet with government officials in the DC area? NO
 - ii) What are the benefits of meeting with these officials? Will these meetings help us to advocate more strongly for the STS, for example? We should convince our users to engage in these discussions with our government officials more often.

C. ACNS satellite meeting: ORNL Neutron Users New Instrument Workshop (Ken)

- 1) Paul Langan: This workshop on **Sun. June 24** will allow us to reach a conclusion/decision about how to proceed with new instrumentation.
- 2) Two plenary speakers and the workshop chairs are in place. Online registration has begun in earnest.
- 3) A 30 minute Bluejeans webinar will take place on **Fri. June 1** at 1:30 PM, well in advance of the workshop.
- 4) Short instrument documents are being prepared for 8 different concepts.

D. User tutorial for proposal writing (Suzanne)

- 1) This tutorial is scheduled on the **Tues. June 26** at the ACNS from 3:45 – 4:15 PM.
- 2) Four sample proposals in different science areas will be made available.
- 3) Adam volunteered to participate in the tutorial as a SHUG representative. Who else is planning to represent SHUG?

E. NScD Update (Jaime)

- 1) SNS should be restarting any hour now.
- 2) Some moderators will now produce up to 20% additional neutron flux.
- 3) HFIR is currently running until May 25.

F. Mail-in program for SANS (Marc)

- 1) Marc et al are actively working on this concept now.
- 1) Should we ask potential users a series of important questions via Survey Monkey?

G. SHUG town hall meeting at the ACNS

- 1) This meeting was tentatively scheduled on **Tues. June 26** at the ACNS from 4:15 – 5:15 PM. However, this timing will result in a partial conflict with the NCNR town hall

meeting, which is currently scheduled from 3:45 – 4:45 PM on the same day. Therefore, it was proposed to move our town hall meeting to 4:45 – 5:45 PM.

2) Michelle is organizing this event and she should look into moving the meeting to the new time specified above.

H. SHUG-EC conference call schedule

- 1) The May conference call for the SHUG-EC is scheduled on **Mon. June 11** from 3 – 4 PM.