

SHUG-EC Conference Call: Wednesday, March 13, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM EST

Attendees (online):

ORNL: Jon Taylor, Naresh Osti

External: Mingda Li, Igor Zaliznyak, Hillary Smith, Katie Weigandt, Amy Xu, Nairiti Sinha

Discussion items:

1. Meeting minutes from February 2024 approved.
2. User survey discussion
 - a. Igor has responded to comments from EC members
 - b. Others are encouraged to take a careful look and offer their final thoughts
 - c. Because we are asking survey participants to comment on ORNL as a whole, these survey questions should be cleared with Jens Dilling, or we should narrow the scope to NScD only.
 - d. Suggestion that the personal demographics data should be aggregated such that participants are not identifiable, or if that is not possible, the personal demographic data should be disconnected from the other responses
 - e. Suggestion to split up the personal demographics from the professional demographics
 - f. Timeline: Google survey will be in polished form by end of March for all EC members to check
 - g. Suggestion to add a question about how SNS/HFIR can make it easier for larger groups of users to participate in experiments. What is the limiting factor for involving more users in each IPTS experiment?
 - h. Suggestion to ask about access to educational/training resources, e.g. neutron school (have you heard of it, have you participated or sent a student to it, have you recommended it to anyone)
3. Breakthrough Symposium: Update from Hillary Smith
 - a. Plenty of suggestions from which to choose invited speakers
 - b. Subset of EC members will decide on prioritized list of speakers to invite. Rebecca and Hillary will spearhead this; other EC members are welcome to email them with their suggestions.
4. SHUG Town Hall at ACNS
 - a. Time scheduled for lunch on June 26; lunch will be sponsored by ORNL
 - b. Suggestion to ask for the lunch slot on Monday June 24 or Tuesday June 25, since some people may have already left by Wednesday midday
5. Onsite meeting
 - a. Week of August 12 works for ORNL
 - b. Suggestion to hold the meeting August 12-13 (Monday-Tuesday)
6. Schedule for April meeting—August 10 is the SRC meeting, so moving the meeting up a week might be better. Mingda will check with Janell.