

Minutes of COMRPES Executive Committee Meeting October 20, 2017

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Present: Carl Agee (President), Abby Kavner (Chair), Baosheng Li, Jackie Li, Steve Jacobsen
Absent: Przemek Dera (Vice Chair), Mark Rivers

AGENDA

11:00 AM (PDT) Consent agenda: approve minutes from September 29, 2017 (Abby)
11:05 Nominations Committee (Abby)
11:20 Honors Committee (Carl)
11:30 Discussion of AGU committee meetings versus COMPRES facility site visit (Carl)

MINUTES

11:00 Consent agenda: approve minutes from September 29, 2017 in Dropbox. Corrections to the minutes, misspelling of names. (Abby)
Motion to accept minutes by SJ, second by BL. Approved.

11:05

Discussion about Nominations Committee (Abby)
It was noted that Abby and Steve will be cycling off the ExComm in August 2018: Steve (Member) and Abby (Chair)
Open the floor to suggestions for Chair of Nominations Committee.
Several names were discussed and ranked. Carl will contact them in rank order to ask if they would be willing to serve.

11:35

Honors (Carl)
Discussion of the possible role of COMRPES in nominating members to organizational honors (AGU, MSA, Goldschmidt, etc.) (Carl)
Is this something COMPRES should be doing? Is this something the President of COMRPES should be doing? Should it be done through ad hoc committee?
Abby: Believes COMPRES should play a role in seeing that our members are getting nominated for awards. Take leadership in putting nomination packages together, or perhaps the President can use that role as a way to motivate nominators to put packages together. Maybe a small committee can be formed?
For the first stab at this we will try to come up with list of candidates for early career awards: Macelwane, MSA Award, etc.
Purpose: (1) Identify the best candidates (2) Ensure that those people have nominators.

11:50

COMPRES meetings at AGU (Carl)
Many people won't be at the AGU Fall Meeting, shall we consider having site visit, or alternatively a meeting at COMPRES Central/ABQ.
Jackie: suggests that a Facilities site visit would be better.
Carl: the challenge is finding a time for travel that is good for everyone. Carl notes that he would like to have a meeting before the end of the year, ideally before the end of January.

Steve: suggests we could have an extended virtual meeting lasting half or whole day.

Abby: A site visit to APS between Dec 15th and end of Jan is possible, but may be trickier to pull together.

Are we going to invite all the members of all of the standing committees? Yes.

Steve points out AGU puts the financial burden on members, whereas a site visit would cost the Central Office quite a lot to fly everyone.

Decision: We will meet at AGU as planned, and some people will conference in. Adding a site visit between now and Jan 15th is too difficult to arrange.

Steve moves to adjourn the meeting, Jackie seconds.

12:02 ADJOURN