

Minutes of the COMPRES Executive Committee meeting of 10 January 2014

Present: J Bass, P Burnley, A Campbell, Y Fei, J Jackson, A Kavner, J Tyburczy, Q Williams

Absent:

Start time: 13:00 East coast time, by teleconference

1. The Minutes of the Dec. 12 and Dec. 20 2013 Executive Committee meetings were approved, with correction of typos.
2. JDB gave an update on activities related to the Annual Meeting. A subaward to Stony Brook has been made. A contract with Skamania Lodge as the venue is completed. Suggestions of the Executive Committee for the program will be conveyed to the Program Committee (Nancy Ross (Chair), Andrew Campbell, Przemek Dera, Chris Cline (student rep)). Community input on planning for the next COMPRES renewal proposal will be part of the meeting agenda.
3. P Burnley informed the EC of her recent discussions with NSF Geophysics and Instrumentation-Facilities program officers. A workshop on new opportunities and planning future directions in mineral physics was encouraged. A document from such a workshop could be useful for highlighting our field. Jennifer Jackson and Andrew Campbell volunteered to be on the organizing committee for a planning meeting. An editor-in-chief for the planning document and members of a writing team will be identified.
4. The Committee discussed the budget process and how it has worked in the past.
5. Discussion of supplementary materials received from D Weidner and P Dera on plans and proposed budgets for COMPRES FY 2014-2015. The procedure for incorporating new elements into the COMPTECH agenda was discussed and it was agreed that this procedure should be followed in all cases. The EC discussed the costs and benefits of the COMPRES effort at the XPD beamline of NSLS-II, an MOU with the facility management, and dedicated beamtime for high pressure.

Meeting adjourned at 15:05 East Coast Time

Notes by JDB