

CNMS UEC Agenda, Wednesday, November 13, 2013

9:00 am Eastern Time

Participants (attendees in blue)

Chair – Tony Hmelo (Vanderbilt University)

Vice-Chair – Vivek Prabhu (NIST)

Secretary – Milan Buncick (AEGIS Technologies Group)

At-Large Members:

Nina Balke (ORNL/CNMS); Nazanin Bassiri-Gharb (Georgia Tech); Mike Hickner (Penn State); Molly Kennedy (Clemson U.); Megan Robertson (U. Houston); Ichiro Takeuchi (U. Maryland); Rafael Verduzco (Rice U.)

Past Chair, ex officio member – Martyn McLachlan (Imperial College, London)

CNMS (non-members) – Tony Haynes, Viviane Schwartz, Sandy Lowe, Karren More

- **News from CNMS** (Schwartz/Haynes)
 - Annual report: 467 users for FY13 – this is up 15% from last year; publications are up 12%
 - User Proposal Call: 135 submitted; 29 were for the former ShaRE facilities only, leaving 106 that involve the “traditional” CNMS capabilities;
Proposal Review deadline is December 6; Proposal Selection meeting is scheduled for December 13
 - CNMS Budget: FY14 guidance is down by 11%; need to trim costs this year and more difficult decisions possible for FY15
 - ShaRE merger: Staff members that transferred from ShaRE will make presentations on their research interests to rest of CNMS on Nov 21 as a step toward integrating them into CNMS in-house research program
 - E-beam lithography status: After power outage in October, the E-beam lithography tool did not come back up; new gun to be delivered this week and it may be running again in about a week (would be a net down time of 6 weeks)
- **UEC Election Results** (Haynes)
 - Vice Chair – Nazanin Bassiri-Gharb (Georgia Tech)
 - Secretary – Milan Buncick (AEGIS Technologies)
 - At-Large:
 - Zheng Gai (ORNL)
 - Ray Unocic (ORNL)
 - Martyn McLachlan (Imperial College, London)
- **UEC By-Laws** (Hmelo)
 - Amendment to By-Laws (UEC vacancies, resignations, tied elections, ...)
 - **Defer** to January (set-up a subcommittee to address)
- **Next scheduled Telecon** conflicts with MRS Fall Meeting during week of December 2
 - Poll to reschedule December 4 telecon) - **Sandy**

Next Conference Call: Monday, December 9, 2013, 10:00AM Eastern Time