



**CNTA**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Held In Person at USC Aiken with Virtual Option**  
**March 23, 2023**

**In Person:**

Jeff Allender	Sally Bartelmo	Dean Campbell	Paul Cloessner
Susie Ferrara	Charlie Hansen	Michele Harmon	Fred Humes
Scott Kirk	Joel Leopard	Karl Lutterloh	Forest Mahan
Zeus Mancilla	Chuck Munns	BooBoo Roberts	Steve Sheetz

**Virtual:**

Jimmy Angelos	Jhivaun Freeman-Pollard	Dara Glass	Tim Worrell
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**Absent:**

Wyatt Clark	Musa Danjaji	Joyce Hopperton	Natalia Johnson
Nick Miller	Lindsey MonBarren	Aherial Polite	Daren Timmons
John Veldman			

**CNTA Staff Present:**

Jim Marra, Allison Hamilton Molnar

**Call to Order**

- Steve Sheetz called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.
- A quorum was present.

**Minutes**

- Motion to Approve the Minutes from the Board of Directors meeting held January 26, 2023 as presented.
  - Moved- Freeman-Pollard, Second- Leopard
  - Motion to approve the minutes as presented passed unanimously.

**Financials**

- Profit & Loss Statement through March 21, 2023
  - Have event and membership income coming in like usual.
    - 44% of our annual income already in.
  - No major expenses yet.
- 990 CNTA Tax Forms
  - Executive committee has looked over the draft presented today.
  - Send any changes or questions to staff.
  - Shows 75% of our costs went to programmatic, only 25% to overhead.
  - Final draft will be presented for approval in April ahead of May filing deadline.

**Board Chair**

- SRMC Replacement Board member
  - Bio of recommended new board member Azi Samadi was provided to board members.

- Motion to accept Azi Samadi to replace Dara Glass on CNTA's board of directors.
  - Moved- Glass, Second- Mancilla
  - Motion to approve new board member passed unanimously.

### **Communications Committee**

- Press Releases
  - Several have gone out recently.
  - Educator Grant winners was in the paper today.
  - Young Professionals committee celebrates five years was in the *Aiken Standard* recently.
  - Have also sent out a golf tournament press release.
- Committee updates
  - Still planning to do the Nuclear Science Week Insert with the *Aiken Standard*.
  - Committee will meet in the next few weeks to start planning.

### **Education Committee**

- LifeLong Learning 2023
  - 3 classes were held March 1, 8, 15 with Lifelong Learning at USC Aiken.
  - Class was well received.
  - CNTA planning to do a spring 2024 class.
  - Out of this class several other classes have developed.
    - Fred Beranek of Fluor will do a nuclear fusion class in the fall. CNTA will support.
    - Class on AI requested. Will be taught by SRNL.
    - Plans for touring Plant Vogtle as a class being organized this fall.
- Essay Contest
  - 22 submissions received. Largest number in recent years.
  - Have 17 CNTA members who are volunteer judges.
  - Essays are in grading now.
- Educator Grant Program
  - Awarded five grants.
  - Press Release in the paper today.
  - Expanding the program to all k-12 educators was successful.
    - Most winners are from elementary schools.
- STEM Outreach
  - Have had many requests for career fairs and STEM classes.
    - Went to three fairs recently.
  - Are sponsoring and will have exhibits at:
    - Earth Day Aiken- April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
    - DIG STEM Festival- Williston SC- May 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - Need volunteers for upcoming outreach events.

### **Young Professionals Committee**

- Tap into Nuclear
  - Met and planned the spring/summer calendar.
  - March 30<sup>th</sup> event focusing on government relations.
    - Matt Blackwell & Emily Saleeby will be the speakers.
  - Planning a lunch & learn virtual event.
    - BWXT has a program we could look at.
  - CNTA night at the ballpark will be June 15<sup>th</sup>.

- Oyster Roast
  - Will be October 7<sup>th</sup> at Palmetto Golf Club.
- Committee Updates
  - Current committee is very small. We need to energize and bring in new young professionals.
  - Sunny Somers presented CNTA to the ELDP class. Received six new members.
    - Will continue this endeavor.

### **Executive Director**

- Up & Atoms
  - April 20<sup>th</sup>- Southern Nuclear Updates presented by Joel Leopard.
  - July 19<sup>th</sup>- SRS Summer Interns
  - Working on Up & Atoms with BSRA, AMC construction etc.
- CNTA Membership Update
  - New membership form and perks are going live next week at the Members Mixer.
- CNTA Charity Golf Tournament
  - Spoke with golf pro at Houndslake last week.
  - Shirts are ordered.
  - Have 28 teams already and two on a waitlist.
    - Working with Houndslake to see about more carts.
    - Will hard cap at 31 if we get carts.
  - Are launching the 2023 Gift Card Program next week.
    - Provides support to community businesses and raffle items for the tournament.
- Annual Members Mixer
  - Set for next week.
  - Bechtel is the sole sponsor of the event.
  - Will present the annual report and new member perks.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Community Gift Card
  - Flyer provided.
  - All donors entered into raffle for tickets to the fall Oyster Roast.
- 2022 Annual Report
  - Highlights all of our 2022 activities.
  - Will be published next week, draft provided.
  - If have changes get to Hamilton before Monday when it goes to print.
- SRS Museum Updates
  - Nuclear Merit badge has become popular.
  - Will be at Earth Day Aiken.
  - Planning a ‘fireside chat’ event with Walt Joseph.
    - May 6<sup>th</sup> at 10am is current plan.
  - CNTA is becoming a \$250 business member of the museum.
- Congratulations to Susie Ferrara for being the United Way volunteer of the year!

### **CNTA Calendar of Events**

- March 28, 2023- 11th Annual Members Mixer. “Annual Report & Membership Appreciation Night”. 6-8pm at Newberry Hall in Aiken SC.
- March 30, 2023- Tap Into Nuclear. 5:30-7pm at Café Scientifique in Aiken SC.
- April 20, 2023- Southern Nuclear Updates presented by Joel Leopard

- May 12, 2023- 21st Annual CNTA Charity Golf Tournament! Shotgun start at 8:30am. Held at Houndslake Country Club in Aiken SC.
- June 15, 2023- CNTA Night at the Ballpark. 7:05 game start at SRP Park in North Augusta SC.
- October 7, 2023- 5th Annual Oyster Roast & Low Country Boil (Young Professionals Fundraiser). 6:30-9pm. Palmetto Golf Club in Aiken SC.

### **Considerations for Future Speakers**

- Brian Powell - Clemson University, Radionuclides
- STRATCOM or someone to talk about World situations
- SRS Heritage Museum
- Transitional Site
- Reactor Contractors
- Pit Production
- Small Modular Reactor (BWXT contract)
- SHINE Medical Community partnering with SRNL
- David Huizenga
- SNRL/USCA- AMC
- Honeywell- Uranium
- Amentum-Mark Whitney
- Bechtel- Advanced Reactors
- Survey of Small Modular Reactors

### **Adjourned:**

- The meeting adjourned at 8:03 a.m.

### **Next Meetings**

- April 27, 2023- Full Board Meeting at 7:30am at USCA, virtual option provided.
- May 18, 2023- Executive Committee Meeting at 7:30am via Teams.