



CNTA
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Held In Person at USC Aiken with Virtual Option
April 27, 2023

In Person:

Jeff Allender	Dean Campbell	Paul Cloessner	Michele Harmon
Joyce Hopperton	Fred Humes	Forest Mahan	Zeus Mancilla
Chuck Munns	Aherial Polite	Azi Samadi	Steve Sheetz
Daren Timmons	John Veldman		

Virtual:

Musa Danjaji	Susie Ferrara	Lindsey MonBarren	BooBoo Roberts
Tim Worrell			

Absent:

Jimmy Angelos	Sally Bartelmo	Wyatt Clark	Jhivaun Freeman-Pollard
Charlie Hansen	Natalia Johnson	Scott Kirk	Joel Leopard
Karl Lutterloh	Nick Miller		

CNTA Staff Present:

Jim Marra, Allison Hamilton Molnar

Call to Order

- Steve Sheetz called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.
- A quorum was present.

Minutes

- Motion to Approve the Minutes from the Board of Directors meeting held March 23, 2023 as presented.
 - Moved- Mahan, Second- Cloessner
 - Motion to approve the minutes as presented passed unanimously.

Financials

- Profit & Loss Statement through April 25, 2023
 - Statement looks the best it will all year. Have golf tournament income entered, but no expenses yet.
 - Over 50% of the income for the year already in.
 - Net \$44,000 right now.
 - The endowment is slowly rebounding.
 - May move money from the checking account to a money market type account in June.
- 990 CNTA Tax Forms
 - Clean final copy presented for approval before submitting to the IRS.
 - Shows 75% of expenses went to programmatic, only 25% went to overhead costs.
 - This 990 is very similar to previous years.
 - Motion to approve the 2022 990 Tax Forms as presented.
 - Moved- Munns, Second- Mancilla
 - Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Board Chair

- SRMC new board member
 - Sheetz welcomed Azi Samadi from SRMC to her first meeting.
 - Brief orientation will be after this meeting.
- Board member resignation
 - Alan Dobson of Bechtel has resigned from the board.
 - He has left the area for Hanford.

Communications Committee

- Nuclear Science Week Insert
 - Starting planning next week at a committee meeting at 4pm on Wednesday.
 - Looking for stories and themes for the year, so if you have ideas pass them on to MonBarren.
- Press Releases
 - Have sent out: golf pre-event release, celebrating five years of young professional programs, call for Maher scholarship entries, winners of the educator grant program.
 - Have upcoming: Essay Contest winners, post-golf release.
- SRNS wrote an internal story about supporting CNTA.
 - Highlighted many current and former board members.
- Spring CNTAaware newsletter will go out May 8th.

Education Committee

- Essay Contest
 - 22 submissions received from variety of schools.
 - Awarded 10 winners representing nine schools.
 - Top winner received \$1,000. Two second place winners won \$750 each. Seven third place winners received \$500 each.
 - 17 CNTA members volunteered to judge.
 - For the first year, all essays were checked for plagiarism and use of ChatGPT.
 - All 10 winners are being invited to the Interns Up & Atom in July.
- Maher Memorial Scholarship
 - Thank you to SRMC for sponsoring this \$5,000 award presented to a junior or senior in college.
 - John Veldman is chairing this committee. Thanks to him and Mahan, Campbell, Timmons & the others serving on this committee.
 - Entries are due July 1st.
- STEM Outreach
 - Have fielded many requests from schools.
 - Recently went to Mead Hall.
 - Will be at a North Augusta middle school soon.
 - Earth Day Aiken went well.
 - DIG STEM Festival in Williston is coming up May 6th.
 - Spoke with Sunrise Rotary a few weeks ago.

Young Professionals Committee

- Tap into Nuclear
 - March 30th event had a good topic and speakers.
 - About 20 people attended, including representatives from DOE-EM, and SRMC leadership.
 - Had low attendance, but was right before Masters Week.

- Event was relatively cheap and there were good interactions and conversations that occurred at the event.
 - CNTA night at the ballpark will be June 15th.
 - Information to RSVP for the game went out this week.
- Oyster Roast
 - Will be October 7th at Palmetto Golf Club.
- Committee Updates
 - Current committee is very small. We need to energize and bring in new young professionals.
 - Sunny Somers continues to present CNTA to the ELDP classes. Continue to receive new members from this.

Executive Director

- Up & Atoms
 - April 20th- Southern Nuclear Updates presented by Joel Leopard.
 - Event went well.
 - July 19th- SRS Summer Interns
 - Interns from SRNS, SRNL, & SRMC will present
 - SRNS usually presents in the summer. Are working on scheduling this.
 - Working on Up & Atoms with BSRA, AMC construction etc.
- CNTA Charity Golf Tournament
 - Have 28 teams and five on a waitlist.
 - Working with Houndslake to see about more carts still.
 - Currently have about \$33,000 in income for the event. Day-of income not included.
 - We need help with raffle items. Have three volunteers organizing this effort.
 - Raffle raises over \$1,500 in day-of income.
 - With issues we are having with team capacity will need to reevaluate how we do team registrations and sign-up next year.
- Teller Lecture
 - Have a potential speaker. Need to follow-up.
 - Looking for other suggestions. Send to Marra.
- The Nuclear Service Award & Distinguished Scientist Award will launch soon.
 - Due the end of July to CNTA.
 - Usually recognize winners at Teller Lecture.

Miscellaneous

- Spring 2023 CNTA Aware Newsletter
 - Will be published and emailed to members May 8th.
 - Has 20 pages of CNTA activities & sponsor companies' updates.
- SRS Museum Updates
 - Launching a lecture series.
 - Have staffing changes in the works.
 - Open to the public Wednesday-Saturday from 10-4:30pm.
 - Happy to schedule group tours.

CNTA Calendar of Events

- May 6, 2023- DIG STEM Festival. Main Street in Williston SC.
- May 12, 2023- 21st Annual CNTA Charity Golf Tournament! Shotgun start at 8:30am. Held at Houndslake Country Club in Aiken SC.

- TEAM Entries are FULL! We need volunteers to help! Donate to the Gift Card Program today!
- June 15, 2023- CNTA Night at the Ballpark. 7:05 game start at SRP Park in North Augusta SC.
- July 19, 2023- Up & Atom “SRS Summer Interns.” 7:30am at Newberry Hall in Aiken SC.
- September 23, 2023- Science Education Enrichment Day STEM Festival (SEED) at USCA.
- October 7, 2023- 5th Annual Oyster Roast & Low Country Boil (Young Professionals Fundraiser). 6:30-9pm. Palmetto Golf Club in Aiken SC.
- October 16-20- Nuclear Science Week! Details on local events will be available at: <http://www.celebratensw.org/>

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

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