



**CNTA**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Held In Person at USC Aiken with Virtual Option**  
**March 28, 2024**

**In Person:**

Jeff Allender	Sally Bartelmo	Joyce Hopperton	Fred Humes
Kenny Lee	Joel Leopard	Karl Lutterloh	Zeus Mancilla
Scott McKay	Azi Samadi	John Veldman	

**Virtual:**

Paul Cloessner	Susie Ferrara	Michele Harmon	Aherial Polite
BooBoo Roberts			

**Absent:**

Jimmy Angelos	Dean Campbell	Musa Danjaji	Jhivaun Freeman-Pollard
Charlie Hansen	Natalia Johnson	Scott Kirk	Forest Mahan
Nick Miller	Lindsey MonBarren	Chuck Munns	Steve Sheetz
Daren Timmons	Tim Worrell		

**CNTA Staff:**

Jim Marra, Allison Hamilton Molnar

**Call to Order**

- Zeus Mancilla 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 January 25, 2024 as presented.
  - Moved- Veldman, Second- Bartelmo
  - Motion to approve the minutes as presented passed unanimously.

**Financials**

- Profit & Loss Statement through March 26, 2024
  - Net right now of \$38,000 due to large business membership renewals.
  - Other income and expenses tracking as anticipated.
  - The 9-month certificate of deposit matured on March 6<sup>th</sup>.
    - Moved \$25,000 back to the money market account.
    - Renewed the remainder for another 9 months at 4.65%
- CNTA’s 990 Tax Forms for 2023
  - Forms presented for board review. Will need approval next month.
  - Deadline to file is May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Board Chair**

- Bylaws Committee
  - Steve Sheetz is chairing this committee.
  - Have comments from members on the committee for review.
- Summer Board Meeting Format

- June's full board meeting will need to be virtual.
- Will see whether August's meeting board members would prefer virtual or hybrid option.

### **Communications Committee**

- Press Releases
  - Have sent out: new board members press release, pre-golf tournament, membership appreciation night release.
  - To send this spring: educator grants winners, lifelong learning, essay contest winners, Maher Memorial scholarship, post-golf tournament release.
- Committee Updates
  - Had their first committee meeting yesterday.

### **Education Committee**

- 2024 Essay Contest & Educator Grants Program
  - Have 25 essays entered this year with 11 judges.
  - Are awarding five educator grants this year.
    - Press release went out yesterday.
- STEM Outreach Events
  - Upcoming:
    - Williston-Elko Career Day- April 19<sup>th</sup>
    - Earth Day Aiken- April 20<sup>th</sup>
    - DIG STEM Festival in Williston- May 4<sup>th</sup>
  - Need volunteers for all of these.
  - Will sponsor SEED at Ruth Patrick in October at the \$1,500 level. Will need volunteers for this event in the fall.
- Center for Lifelong Learning
  - Both classes went well and received good feedback.
  - Have two classes that were pushed to the fall 2024 we are working on.
    - SRS Contractors
    - SRNL overview
- Committee Update
  - The 2024 Maher Memorial Scholarship call for applications will go out in April.
    - Thanks to SRMC for sponsoring this \$5,000 award.
  - Committee is now meeting at 5pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 5pm. The meeting is hybrid with a Zoom option or in person option at the CNTA office.

### **Young Professionals Committee**

- Oyster Roast
  - Scheduled for October 12<sup>th</sup> at Palmetto Golf Club.
  - Will be using Blue Collard Catering for the food this year.
- Night at the Ballpark
  - Scheduled for the Augusta Greenjackets game on June 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - Tickets are free for CNTA members and \$10 for guests.
- Committee Update
  - Working on SRS tour for young professionals who aren't familiar with the site.

### **Executive Director**

- Up & Atoms
  - July Up & Atom with the SRS Interns is set. Working on SRNS for August.
- Membership Appreciation Night

- Need to evaluate the costs and benefits of this event for next year. While members enjoy the evening, the cost was more than \$30/person. The basic membership level is only \$35/year.
- Golf Tournament
  - Plans going the same as last year but capping teams at 28 due to golf carts available.
  - Call for support for the gift card program has gone out. Consider how you can support this fundraiser for CNTA.
- Membership Updates
  - Individual and business memberships coming in as usual.
- Teller Lecture
  - Working on a speaker now. Jim Marra has taken the lead on this.
- Consent Based Siting Grants
  - Clemson and SCUREF have a grant from the Department of Energy to investigate how communities make decisions and have sub-grant awards. CNTA is going to participate, but what that participation looks like needs to be more formally determined.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Contractor/Community Updates
  - Southern Nuclear-Plant Vogtle
    - Unit 3 will refuel this fall.
    - Unit 4 is in power testing.
  - SRS Museum
    - Over 400 people have visited the museum so far this year.
    - Have a special golf exhibit for master's week.
    - Fall Fission Festival will be October 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - Nuclear Science Week Planning
    - Center for Lifelong Learning will be touring Plant Vogtle.
    - Have a planning committee that meets regularly if you/your organization wants to get involved.

### **CNTA Calendar of Events**

- April 20, 2024- Earth Day Aiken- 9am-1pm. Newberry Street in Aiken SC.
- May 4, 2024- DIG STEM Festival- 11am-5pm. Main Street in Williston SC.
- May 10, 2024- 22nd Annual CNTA Charity Golf Tournament at Houndslake Country Club.
- June 6, 2024- CNTA's Night at the Ballpark. Join CNTA members cheer on the Augusta Greenjackets! 7:05 game time. Tickets must be requested from CNTA by May 17th.
- July 17, 2024- Up & Atom "SRS Interns" 7:30am at Newberry Hall in Aiken SC.
- October 12, 2024- 6th Annual Oyster Roast & Low Country Boil. Hosted by CNTA's Young Professionals Committee. 6:30pm at Palmetto Golf Club in Aiken SC.
- October 21-25- Nuclear Science Week. Activities will be happening across the world & right in our own communities. Learn More at: <https://www.nuclearscienceweek.org/>
- October 26, 2024- SEED Stem Festival-10am-3pm. USC Aiken.

### **Considerations for Future Speakers**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Brian Powell - Clemson University, Radionuclides</li> <li>● STRATCOM or someone to talk about World situations</li> <li>● Transitional Site</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Reactor Contractors</li> <li>● Pit Production</li> <li>● Small Modular Reactor (BWXT contract)</li> <li>● SHINE Medical Community partnering with SRNL</li> </ul> |
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- David Huizenga
- SRNL/USCA- AMC
- Honeywell- Uranium

- Amentum-Mark Whitney
- Bechtel- Advanced Reactors
- Survey of Small Modular Reactors

**Adjourned:**

- Motion to adjourn.
  - Moved- Bartelmo, Second- Leopard.
  - Motion to adjourn approved unanimously.
- The meeting adjourned at 8:04 a.m.

**Next Meetings**

- April 25, 2024- Full Board Meeting at 7:30am at USCA, virtual option provided.
- May 16, 2024- Executive Committee Meeting at 7:30am via Microsoft Teams.