



CNTA
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Held In Person at USC Aiken with Virtual Option
April 25, 2024

In Person:

Jeff Allender	Dean Campbell	Paul Cloessner	Susie Ferrara
Charlie Hansen	Joyce Hopperton	Fred Humes	Forest Mahan
Zeus Mancilla	Scott McKay	Nick Miller	Chuck Munns
BooBoo Roberts	Azi Samadi	John Veldman	

Virtual:

Michele Harmon	Kenny Lee	Aherial Polite	Daren Timmons
Tim Worrell			

Absent:

Jimmy Angelos	Sally Bartelmo	Musa Danjaji	Jhivaun Freeman-Pollard
Natalia Johnson	Scott Kirk	Joel Leopard	Karl Lutterloh
Lindsey MonBarren	Steve Sheetz		

CNTA Staff:

Jim Marra, Allison Hamilton Molnar

Call to Order

- Forest Mahan 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 March 28, 2024 as presented.
 - Moved- Ferrara, Second- Allender
 - Motion to approve the minutes as presented passed unanimously.

Financials

- Profit & Loss Statement through April 23, 2024
 - Currently the P&L looks as we would expect this time of year.
 - Fluor did renew their \$5,000 business membership
 - Golf tournament income will be lower than projected due to less team slots available and less hole sponsors.
 - SRMC is sponsoring the Maher Memorial Scholarship again this year for \$5,000.
- CNTA’s 990 Tax Forms for 2023
 - Motion to approve the CNTA 990 tax documents as presented
 - Moved- Humes, Second- Hansen
 - Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Board Chair

- Bylaws Committee
 - Will be meeting briefly after this meeting to discuss the outstanding concerns.
 - Will have proposed amendments to the Executive Committee for first review by summer.

Communications Committee

- Press Releases
 - Have sent out: Educator Grants Winners, Membership Appreciation Night, Essay Contest Winners, Maher Scholarship call for applications.
- Committee Updates
 - Will be meeting May 22nd to discuss upcoming activities and the Nuclear Science Week Insert.

Education Committee

- 2024 Essay Contest & Educator Grants Program
 - 8 winners representing 6 schools for the essay contest.
 - Five schools won educator grant awards.
 - All winners will be invited to summer Up & Atoms to be recognized.
- STEM Outreach Events
 - Recap:
 - Earth Day Aiken was last Saturday.
 - Had a good volunteer turnout. Attendance at the event itself was down compared to previous years.
 - Was at Williston Elko High School for a career fair.
 - Attended the SRS Retirees annual meeting.
 - Participated in the Sustainability Expo at Aiken Tech on April 20th.
 - Upcoming:
 - DIG STEM Festival in Williston- May 4th
 - Family Earth & Sky Night on May 18th at Ruth Patrick.
- Center for Lifelong Learning
 - Have two classes CNTA is coordinating for fall 2024.
 - SRS Contractors
 - SRNL overview
- Maher Memorial Scholarship
 - Information is out to the schools and in a press release.
 - Deadline is July 26th to give interns attending the July Up & Atom a chance to apply.

Young Professionals Committee

- Oyster Roast
 - Scheduled for October 12th at Palmetto Golf Club.
 - Will be using Blue Collard Catering for the food this year.
 - Sponsor ask will go out in June.
- Night at the Ballpark
 - Scheduled for the Augusta Greenjackets game on June 6th.
 - 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
 - June 5th Up & Atom with the NuWaDi Consortium (SCUREF & Clemson) to discuss the grants related to consent-based siting.
 - July Up & Atom with the SRS Interns
 - August with SRNS
 - Working on September & rest of the year.
 - Have ask out to SRNL, have a request from BWXT.

- Membership Updates
 - Individual and business memberships coming in as usual.
- Golf Tournament
 - Team spots are full. We have a waitlist of teams.
 - Missing a few traditional hole sponsors from previous years, but have no room to fit them in.
 - Plan to have another great day on the course.
 - Many thanks to those who contributed to the community gift card program to support the raffle.
- Teller Lecture
 - Working on a speaker. Jim Marra has taken the lead on this.
- Consent Based Siting Grants
 - *Discussion-*
 - *Yes, CNTA should be involved in the process and discussions. Should work with the USCA, ATC, Augusta Tech, SRSCRO, CAB?, SRMC to facilitate these activities.*
 - *As progress in the consortium continues provide feedback to the board.*
 - *Lessons learned and feedback for the future.*
 - *Make sure we have appropriate financial accounting for the grant funds.*
 - Motion to approve the proposed CNTA planning grant submission for the NuWaDi Consortium.
 - Moved-Munns, Second- Roberts
 - Motion to approve the proposed grant submission passed unanimously.

Miscellaneous

- Contractor/Community Updates
 - Southern Nuclear-Plant Vogtle
 - Unit 4 is at 40% power.
 - Anticipate connecting to the grid in a few weeks.
 - SRS Museum
 - 1400 visitors so far this year.
 - Scout merit badge is continuing to be popular.
 - Working on a girl scout equivalent.
 - May do a summer camp.
 - 4100 employees attended the safety expo this year.
 - Apprenticeship
 - Nuclear operator positions
 - SRNS-10, SRMC- 48, SRNL-5-8 all ready to post.
 - Partnership program made the EM Update news release.
 - Youth Apprentice program just approved
 - IT with Aiken County Career & Technolog Center (ACCTC) & North Augusta High School.
 - EM Technician with ACCTC
 - May 9th at Aiken Technical College- will have a Career Tech Center groundbreaking.
 - USCA- Developing student ambassadors to attend events and discuss science & careers.
 - Dean McKay is the point person to contact.

CNTA Calendar of Events

- **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 5, 2024- Up & Atom. “Introducing the NuWaDi Consortium & Consent-Based Siting Grants.” 7:30am at Newberry Hall in Aiken SC.**
- **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.
- **August 21, 2024-** Up & Atom Sponsored by SRNS featuring Erika Baeza-Wisdom, Deputy VP, Pit Production Operations. 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 19, 2024-** Fall Fission Festival. SRS Museum. Details TBA.
- **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

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

Adjourned:

- Motion to adjourn.
 - Moved- Ferrara, Second- Mancilla.
 - Motion to adjourn approved unanimously.
- The meeting adjourned at 8:15 a.m.

Next Meetings

- May 16, 2024- Executive Committee Meeting at 7:30am via Microsoft Teams.
- June 27, 2024- Full Board Meeting at 7:30am. Virtual Only.