

**CNTA**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**September 25, 2025**  
**Meeting was hybrid**

**In Person:**

Dean Campbell	Susie Ferrara	Joyce Hopperton	Fred Humes
Jesus Mancilla	Booboo Roberts		

**Virtual:**

Jeff Allender	Musa Danjaji	Michele Harmon	Scott Kirk
Kenny Lee	Lindsey MonBarren	Aherial Drayton	Maxwell Smith
Daren Timmons	Amber Bolen*		

**Absent:**

Sally Bartelmo	Paul Cloessner	Jhivaun Freeman-Pollard	Charlie Hansen
Natalia Johnson	Joel Leopard	Karl Lutterloh	Forest Mahan
Scott McKay	Nick Miller	Charles Munns	Azi Samadi
Steve Sheetz	John Veldman	Tim Worrell	

**CNTA Staff:**

Allison Hamilton, Christopher Noah

**Call to Order**

- Jesus Mancilla called the meeting to order at 7:33am

**Minutes**

- Motion to Approve the Minutes from the Board of Directors meeting held August 28, 2025 as presented.
  - Moved- Campbell, Second- Hopperton
  - Motion to approve the minutes approved by unanimous consent.

**Financials**

- Profit & Loss Statement through September 23, 2025
  - Expenses and revenue are tracking accordingly for this time of year.
  - Will need to move funds from the money market to close out the year.
    - Have \$65,000 in grant funds in the money market. We have spent over \$40,000 on grant expenses using the general fund.
- 2026 Operating Budget
  - Will have a first draft at the next meeting. Will need to be approved at the December meeting.

**Board Chair**

- 2026 Board Members
  - Have three vacancies for new board members for next year.
    - Have 4 current nominations
  - Will have a final list of recommendations emailed soon.
  - Will need to vote on the slate at the next meeting.

## **Communications Committee**

- Press Releases
  - Have several ready to release in October.
  - Working on the Distinguished Scientist and Nuclear Service Award winners now.
  - Recently released:
    - Pre-Oyster Roast Event
    - SRMC Science Scholarship winner
  - Upcoming:
    - DSA and NSA award winners' releases
    - Post-Oyster Roast
    - Essay Contest launch
    - Educator Grant Program launch
    - Pre-Teller and post-Teller Lecture
- NSW Magazine
  - Final edits being worked on now.
  - Will go to the printer soon.

## **Education Committee**

- Iverson Memorial Donations
  - Amber Bolen (Education Committee Chair) discussed the plans for the funds received in memory of Dan Iverson.
  - May have a request to the board for supplemental funds to support the new outreach materials.
- CNTA Podcast
  - Have a one-month ramp-up planned to start in October.
  - Have three podcast episodes and 5 mini-info clips planned before the year end.
  - Will include a revamp of our YouTube channel.
  - Need to plan for how to maximize grant funds and ensure a low cost to continue this endeavor in 2026.
- STEM Events
  - SEED- September 20
    - About 3,300 people attended.
  - Fall Fission Festival- October 18
    - Will exhibit like we normally do.

## **Young Professionals Committee**

- Oyster Roast
  - October 11<sup>th</sup> at Palmetto Golf Club.
  - Offering tickets to education partners.
- Engagement
  - Podcast will partially be focused on young professionals and new to site employees.
    - Looking for ideas for future episodes.
  - Have the greenjackets game scheduled for June 2026.

## **Executive Director**

- Up & Atoms
  - Johney Green (SRNL Lab Director) will speak in November
  - Looking to schedule a Southern Nuclear update in early 2026
  - Have the membership appreciation Up & Atom scheduled for January.

- NuWaDi Consortium Collaborative Based Siting Grants
  - Data collection for the Public Opinion poll is being overseen by Clemson.
  - Staff is working on a podcast (Nuclear for Newbies) utilizing unused NuWaDi grant funds.
  - Approved to extend project expenditures through the end of calendar year 2025.
- Membership Updates
  - Membership renewals are lagging a little bit. Expect a number of renewals at year's end.
- Teller Lecture
  - November 21<sup>st</sup> at the Amentum Center with a reception following at Newberry Hall.
  - Theme is “75 years at SRS” and Walt Joseph, Mary Beth Reed, and the museum are compiling a slide show to tell the story followed by a short Q&A discussion.
- Distinguished Scientist Award & Nuclear Service Award
  - Distinguished Scientist Award Winner is Dr. Olin (Gene) Rhodes of SREL
  - Nuclear Service Award Winner is Mindy Mets (retired SRSCRO)
  - Both will be at the Teller Lecture to be recognized.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Apprenticeship Updates
  - SRMC will post their next cohort in October.
  - SRNS and SRNL will post theirs in January
  - Two graduating classes- Denmark and Augusta Tech.
  - Now have 29 apprenticeship programs.

### **CNTA Calendar of Events**

- October 11, 2025- 7th Annual Oyster Roast & LCB. Hosted by CNTA's Young Professionals. 6:30-9pm at Palmetto Golf Club in Aiken SC.
- October 18, 2025- Fall Fission Festival. 1-4pm at the SRS Museum in Aiken SC.
- November 21, 2025- 34th Annual Teller Lecture & Banquet. "A Walk Thru 75 years at SRS." 6:30pm at the Amentum Center in Aiken SC.
- January 28, 2026 Up & Atom “Membership Appreciation Breakfast” 7:30am at Newberry Hall in Aiken SC.
- May 8, 2026- 24th Annual CNTA Charity Golf Tournament. Houndslake Country Club in Aiken SC.
- June 4, 2026 “Night at the Greenjackets” Details TBA. SRP Park in North Augusta SC.

### **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>•Reactor Contractors</li> <li>•SHINE Medical Community partnering with SRNL</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•David Huizenga</li> <li>•SNRL/USCA- AMC</li> <li>•Honeywell- Uranium</li> <li>•Amentum-Mark Whitney</li> <li>•Bechtel- Advanced Reactors</li> <li>•Survey of Small Modular Reactors</li> </ul> |
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### **Future Meetings**

- October 16, 2025- Executive Committee meeting at 7:30am via Microsoft Teams.

- October 23, 2025- Full Board Meeting at 7:30am. Hybrid- virtual via Zoom. In-person at USCA.

**Adjourned:**

- Motion to adjourn
  - Moved- Humes, Second- Ferrara
  - Motion to adjourn passed unanimously.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:08 am.