



AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY
Oak Ridge/Knoxville Section

P. O. Box 5075, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-5075

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2002

Attendees

Voting Members:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>Present</u>		<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>Present</u>
Maria LeTellier (Chair) 241-3458	CSE	X		Steve Bowman (2005) 574-5263	ORNL	X
Julie Ezold (Vice Chair/Chair Elect) 574-5483	Y-12	X		Jeff Johnson (2005) 574-5262	ORNL	X
Trent Primm (Treasurer) 574-0566	ORNL	X		Michael Dunn (2004) 574-5260	ORNL	
Jan Preston (Secretary) 241-7608	ORNL	X		John Wagner (2004) 241-3570	ORNL	
Bernie Kirk (Chair Ex-officio) 574-6176	ORNL			Lien Nguyen (2003) 691-3211	Shaw E&I	X
				Larry Miller (2003) 974-5048	UT	

Others Present:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>Present</u>		<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>Present</u>
Peggy Emmett	ORNL	X		Dan Ingersoll	ORNL	X
Norb Grant	Self	X		Dwaine Pucket	Y-12	X

The meeting was called to order, Chair Maria LeTellier presiding. There was a quorum of the Executive Committee present.

Secretary's Report

The Board Meeting minutes from November 2002 were accepted as written.

Chair's Report

The agenda was distributed.

Chair-Elect's Report

Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for August was submitted, discussed, and accepted.

The last dinner meeting was discussed. We had 51 attendees, including the speaker. There were two no-shows due to family emergencies, but overall it was a good turnout. The total bill indicated that we should have charged an additional \$1.25 to have broken even.

The Treasurer noted that the "Education" items refer to Bill Hill's receipts for the Teachers Workshops. The Chair's budget charge was for permanent badges for meetings and workshops. Trent noted that we had a relatively good month on the stock market for the Section's savings account – a \$1300 net increase in Prudential fund. Overall, the Section's net worth increased by \$754.62.

Committee Reports:

Budget: Julie Ezold, Chair

Nothing to report.

Membership: Norb Grant, Chair

The Section's membership is back up to 191. It is about time to send email reminders for dues. Maria requested a report on local members' affiliations with ANS National Divisions. Norb will request this report. Maria said that the Criticality Safety Division wants to start a local Divisional program in the Section and hold local meetings. She asked whether we would be willing to support a lunch get-together with refreshments, etc. There was no opposition to this proposed expenditure.

Topical Procurement:

Everything is going okay on M&C 2003. The review process has started, but they are still taking late papers. They have received 115, rather than the 150 that were hoped for.

Education/SHADES: Julie Ezold/Bill Hill, Co-Chairs

We held two Teachers' Workshops at the Tennessee Science teachers Association Convention in Franklin on November 23, 2002. We presented material on basic nuclear concepts, gave out Geiger counters, and distributed teaching materials to all attendees. Total attendance was 22 teachers, who were very appreciative. Dick Rothrock and Bill Hill taught the workshop.

Note: This was probably the last Geiger counter workshop as National has very few remaining. Geiger counters are being given to first responders, so their availability for

educational use has been greatly curtailed. Bill Hill covered this workshop with surpluses from previous workshops, but his inventory is not completely depleted.

Peggy Emmett reported on SWE's desire to do a Girl Scout badge in Engineering (including Nuclear). They have already talked with UT's SWE chapter about participating. Last year we all worked together for a nuclear-only badge. The plan this time would be to either run the program at AMSE, the Children's Museum, or somewhere in west Knoxville. This should be considered as an initial notification only. The Section will plan to support such a badge, as will WIN and the other local professional societies.

Trent noted that Dick Rothrock is settling in East Tennessee – he is a resource to keep in mind since he has demonstrated his interest in supporting educational programs.

Newsletter: Dan Ingersoll, Chair

Dan reported that he will assemble the next newsletter over the holiday break. He reminded us all that if we don't get our materials in the next week, they won't be included. He has preliminary write-ups for the Wamp, Greene, and Hill dinners, but could use more. He needs the spring Arrangement's schedule, input on and kudos earned, more on the Teachers Workshops. Julie committed to provide a report on SHADES. This newsletter will include a nice letter received from Mathew Kranz on his experience at the nuclear camp. Dan stated that he would like to include a note from the Chair; Maria will provide. M&C 2003 will also be discussed.

Norb Grant asked whether we wanted to send the paper newsletter to just local section members (~\$70 postage) or to all local ANS member (~\$150). The decision was made to continue sending to all, for now. We also discussed going to an email only distribution – it was proposed that we tell members that “unless you reply that this is a problem” we will stop distributing hardcopies. It was decided that this matter will be left with the Newsletter committee to decide.

Program: John Wagner, Chair

No report

Arrangements/Publicity: Larson/Puckett

Dwaine Pucket noted that Sandy received a thank-you note from the Radisson – They want our business. However, while the service was quite good, the food was not that great. It was mentioned that Rothschilds does a good job of catering at their West Knoxville conference center; Lien said that they sometimes will work up special deal for groups. The suggestion to check into Rothschilds will be passed on to Sandy. Maria also has received input that Naples would be good to look into – the Section used to meet there.

As previously noted, there will be no January meeting.

Web Page: Hanna Shapira, Chair

Hanna has added a link to the SHADES website to the Section's web page.

Honors and Awards: Larry Townsend, Chair

No report.

Scholarship: Steve Bowman, Chair

We have received a request from Jennifer Cole for a letter of support for an ANS scholarship. It was agreed that it is time to put out information on scholarships. We will need a committee of 3 – Maria, Julie Ezold, plus one from UT. We anticipate a flood of requests for supporting letters for National scholarships in January. In general, we ask the student requestors for a resume, plus a personal endorsement from a UT faculty member.

Bylaws: Peggy Emmett, Chair

Peggy announced that she has a draft of the bylaws proposal. Dennis Tollefson will be working with her after the first of the year.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Jan Preston reminded us that we need to better coordinate our March Women's History Month program this year (last year there were two competing evening programs).

Julie Ezold talked about the three approaches that we might consider for mentoring – ANS only, Mentor-Net (an existing national program), and a joint effort with WIN. Julie is signed up through Mentor-Net with a mentee at University of Illinois – Champagne/Urbana.

- The program is open to men and women.
- There is no cost to either the mentor or the mentee.
- UT-Knoxville is not signed up.
- Students are predominantly looking for mentors in math/science/engineering.

Peggy Emmett noted that past ANS local section mentoring efforts had involved an informal "pairing up" after the Sunday night session at the Annual Meeting, which seemed to work pretty well. Maria LeTellier agreed that we need to re-connect with Amanda Desmone re the mentoring needs of the UT ANS student's chapter.

Next Meetings:

Executive Committee – January 21, 2003, at 4:00pm at the NTRC. Meeting adjourned at 4:45.