

ANBUG Executive Committee Meeting on 4th June 2021, 1pm – 2pm

Meeting held: by Zoom teleconference

Present: Tracy Rushmer (TR, Past President), Chris Wensrich (CW, Vice President, meeting chair), Ben Mallett (BM, Ordinary Member, NZ), Leonie van't Hag (LH, Secretary), Karyn Jarvis (KJ, Website/Comms) and Teng Lu (TL, ECR Member).



Apologies: Yun Liu (YL, President), David Cortie (DC, Treasurer, attended last 5 minutes)

Agenda:

1. *Welcome*

2. *President report (CW)*

3. *User Survey (KJ, LH)*

4. *Events 2021*

- *Virtual ANBUG-ACNS Lecture Hall (free charge) / workshops, high level (DC, BM, TL, CW)*
 - *First one between August and November: (polarised) neutron reflectometry*
- *Proposal writing workshop before next user round in September (CW)*
 - *Incl. consultation around double-blind review*

5. *ANSTO User meeting 2021*

- *BM has nominated Dr Shinji Kihara to present NZ and ECRs, to work with CW and YL.*
- *ANBUG awards 2021 and nomination selection committee.*
 - *Incl. new Technical/Service Award*

6. *The 21st Asia-Oceania FDM and the 26th AONSA EC meetings will run online 25th and 26th June.*

- *ANBUG to present a one-page report (Yun/Kary/Leonie)*

7. *Website & Newsletter*

8. *Any other business*

Actions from previous meeting (Meeting on 30 April 2021): all completed

YL to follow up on ANBUG survey questions & 2005 results so we can start to work on the ANBUG 2021 survey.

LH to share 2020 AANSSS invited speaker suggestions

BM to share workshop ideas

CW to consult with Jamie Schulz about a proposal writing workshop date

Minutes June 4th, 2021

1. Welcome

2. President report

All topics covered under the rest of the agenda.

3. User Survey (KJ, LH)

ANSTO Decadal survey pushed back to late June & to run until mid-July.

We are ready to send out the ANBUG survey to our mailing list which KJ and LH will do early next week, and we will include a link on the ANBUG website. Leave the survey open until early July.

Do we have access to website traffic? KJ to check. KJ is also trying to get ANBUG twitter password, contacted Anna Paradowska. Will use to promote survey. The twitter account has 400 followers.

4. Events 2021

- *Virtual ANBUG-ACNS Lecture Hall (free charge) / workshops, high level (DC, BM, TL, CW)*
 - *First one between August and November: (polarised) neutron reflectometry*

BM: first one will be a general introduction to the reactor and reactor physics. Originally scheduled June 15th, now proposed June 29th 10am together with the ACNS Seminars. David Vittorio will be the speaker – OPAL Reactor manager. Jamie Schulz had suggested and discussed with David. BM to follow up with Jamie and let KJ and LH know when announcement should be sent out.

Workshop will be with practical component (data analysis).

- *Proposal writing workshop before next user round in September (CW)*
 - *Incl. consultation around double-blind review*

Biology, chemistry, engineering speakers on a good proposal, 15 – 20-minute talks. PAC or ex-PAC members who are also experienced proposal writers. TR and CW could be speakers, as well as Bruce Gaulin. Potential users make fundamental errors such as not contacting beamline scientists (they normally do a technical review for all proposals).

Someone from ACNS to talk about double blind review. Ask Jamie to nominate somebody, CW to follow up. Aim for late July or early August. How will it work when proposers reference previous work?

5. ANSTO User meeting 2021

- *BM has nominated Dr Shinji Kihara to present NZ and ECRs, to work with CW and YL.*
- *ANBUG awards 2021 and nomination selection committee.*
 - *Incl. new Technical/Service Award that facilitate experiments. From ANSTO or universities, technical staff.*

2020: ANBUG Career Award, Neutron Award, Young Scientist Award & PhD Prize.

Awards committee, definition of awards (10 years after PhD etc). LH to check with Kelly and/or Andy Clulow. Last year's winners David Cortie, Anna Paradowska, John White, need to select a chair.

Send out request for award nominations around July, and executive committee can also nominate members to awards committee.

PhD prize is separate as have to assess the thesis, clarify with Ian Gentle. TR to contact him.

YL indicated first program committee for this year's ANSTO User Meeting will be next Wednesday. She will circulate a request to nominate invited speakers, potentially via a Google sheet. Shinji Kihara's participation in User meeting organising committee approved by executive committee, experienced ACNS user and ECR & NZ representative.

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TR and YL will attend. YL will present the one-page report at the end of EC. Saturday afternoon.

We can include: Plans for activities. Discussions new guide hall. AONSA price winners highlight. AINSE Winter School (5-9 July). Reactor outage. TR will share some example report for AONSA meeting. Dot points for meeting and expanded version for AONSA report.

7. *Website & Newsletter*

Send out invitation to ANSTO Capability Showcase - June 10th

With survey information and link.

Ask for content for future newsletters.

8. *Any other business*

Extra meeting on July 9th, 1pm.

Next scheduled meeting on August 6th, 1pm.

Actions:

KJ to check if we can get information on ANBUG website traffic.

KJ and LH to send out survey and other news early next week (second week of June).

BM to follow up with Jamie Schulz regarding Reactor Physics ANBUG-ACNS Lecture hall in June.

CW to follow up with Jamie Schulz regarding a nominated speaker for the proposal workshop to be held late July or early August.

LH to check with Andrew Clulow and/or Kelly what the award definitions and processes are.

TR to contact Ian Gentle about PhD award process.

YL/KJ/LH to prepare AONSA report before June 25th