

## ANBUG Executive Committee Meeting on Friday 2 August 11am AEST

**Meeting held:** by Zoom teleconference

**Present:** Chris Wensrich (CW, President), Clemens Ulrich (CU, Treasurer), Michael Preuss (MP, Vice-President), Teng Lu (TL, ECR Member), Tracy Rushmer (TR, Past President), Grace Causer (GC, Website/Comms), Yun Liu (YL, Past President), Samuel Yick (SY, NZ representative), Lu (Daniel) Jiang (LJ, ECR Member)



**Apologies:** Leonie van 't Hag (LH, Secretary), Kirrily Rule (KR, ANSTO member),

### Action items:

- Dialogue with the motel regarding wifi/eduroam access and cooking facilities. Write formal letter to Motel & ANSTO. [CW with AINSE \(Ian\) to write letter to CEO Shaun Jenkinson](#)
- Revisit mention of ANBUG in the proposal system: CW to include in email to Jamie
- New EOI round for centres of excellence. Participation of ACNS staff as PI's on grants has been limited, need to state benefits to ANSTO. MP to follow up with Andrew Peele / Mike Ryan.
- Recruit a new Secretary, Website / Communications Manager and Vice-President (might need to be active recruitment), current call for nominations was sent out with a deadline of 4 Sep

### 1. Welcome & President report (CW)

*About the ANBUG in the proposal system. (working in progress)*

*Message from xx (from Canada), the next week for the meeting*

*ANOSA recently chasing the names for the committee for awards and YRF, need to nominate two people for the awards committee; 1/6 Females (nominate Female for the prize committee);*

*ANSTO involves in the Grant application: conversation with DVC at Monash, need to further follow up the details; Postdoc positions at ANSTO, good for people involved in the Grants such as COE; facilities for the long-term proposal (beamtime) for research relies on the beamtime. Good: statement for our expectation (Jamie conversation), need to write down as the statement rather than phone calls;*

*ANSTO overall do support the involvement in the ARC grant (sensitive security is the main issue); Another, ANSTO wants financial benefits, support PI for visiting and jointly supervise students... has minimal budget requirement.*

*Need some documents clarifying the benefits for ANSTO and supports from ANSTO for applying the grants... Micheal will send email to Jamie for this topic*

*4 month to get the names for new roles, Secretary, web/communication/VP...Need to discuss current people within committee to see any new roles are required; Broad open call for people who are interested in joining the committee. Engaged users are good nomination...Contact Anna to check her interests?*

### 2. AANSS 2024 organisation (KR / LJ)

- [ANBUG awards & call for nominations by 30 September 2024. LV to coordinate.](#)

Update from KR: We now have two plenaries locked in – Bella Lake (HZB Berlin) and Erica Wanless (uni Newcastle). We have also locked in two invited speakers – June from ISIS UK with Deuteration work to discuss, Dan Sando from Canterbury University in NZ talking about thin film multiferroics. Need to confirm two more. Offered the Women In Neutron scattering funding to one person, who declined.

*(some funding from Yun) Support 8 people (students and ECRs) for registration*

3. *Website & Communications, Wild Apricot (GC)*

- Cannot send batch emails anymore. **Wild Apricot trial expired.**

4. *Finances (CU)*

5. *Town Hall Events 2024 (TL, LJ)*

- Proposal writing workshop could be run again / two portals for 2025-1: July, CW can present again. Next proposal deadline in September. Invite Ian. (1 proposal writing; dates mid/end Aug for the townhall events);
- 26 July event with Katy Wood on SANS and Quokka upgrades and new sample environments happened and has been uploaded to [YouTube](#). Around 40 people attended (Finished, very nice talk, video has been uploaded, good attendance);

6. *Any other business*

*ANOSA nomination: two names (1 female (AONSA prize): Leonie van 't Hag; YRF committee (Rico Tabor) )*

*Last year (2024) announcement (YRF) did not come out yet;*

*ANOSA nomination (Brendan Kennedy, Chris Ling); Get Rob Robinson involved for the nomination process.*

*ANOSA Science prize (wait for nomination)*

Next meeting:

Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> Sept, 11am AEST