

# **Minutes of the Ohio Section of the American Physical Society - (approved)**

## **Executive Committee**

**University of Toledo, 13-14 Oct., 2000**

The Executive Committee(EC) of the Ohio Section of the American Physical Society met on Friday, 13 Oct, 2000 on the University of Toledo campus. The meeting was called to order by Chair Bahram Roughani at 10:00 a.m. In attendance were EC officers Gordon Aubrecht, Robert Brown (chair elect), Bruce Craver, Klaus Fritsch, Graciela Lacueva, Scott Lee, Brad Trees, Fred Trexler, Ron Winters, and Perry Yaney. Also attending were Beverly Berger, Al Compaan, Alan Chodos, Michael Crescimanno, Paul Hambourger, Miron Kaufman, Satyendra Kumar, Chun-Min Lo and Mike Ma.

**1. Bahram greeted everyone and introduced Mr. Alan Chodos from the National office.**

**2. Approval of the Minutes of the Spring Meeting** Minutes of the spring, 2000 meeting at University of Cincinnati were unanimously approved.

**3. Local Chair's Report, Fall 2000** - OS/APS Al Compaan/ Xunming Deng /Randy Bohn/ Scott Lee

Scott Lee reported that currently there are 123 registered for the meeting and 107 for the banquet. There are 41 contributed papers and 20 posters. The banquet will be at the Toledo Museum of Art.

**4. Secretary's Report** - Bruce Craver

Bruce announced that the Spring, 2001 meeting at Kent State on 20-21 April and the Fall 2001 meeting at Denison on 26-27 Oct. are approved.

**5. Treasurer's Report** - Roger Rollins and Brad Trees

A copy of the treasurer's report was distributed to all EC members and reviewed.

Brad also reported that they were still tracking member dues versus enrollment, and waiting for the latest meeting data. Brad is trying to see if the Section is charging the correct amount for abstracts. National currently charges \$150 per page while the Section charges \$40/page, but the Section also pays for invited abstracts and the epitome. It is therefore not clear whether or not the charges from National are correct. Gordon stated he felt we should have a lengthier, more detailed epitome. Bahram reminded future hosts that they may request \$3,000 in support of a meeting one year in advance.

**6. Final Chair's Report** - Mike Ma, University of Cincinnati

Mike Ma distributed the final report for the U. Cincinnati meeting, Spring, 2000. Total attendance was 118 and there were 84 at the banquet. There were 46 contributed papers, 5 parallel sessions, and there were 10 poster presentations. An apparent minor error was noted. The total income apparently should be \$10,457 rather than \$10,451. Mike mentioned that expenses were not complete because one speaker has not sent his flight ticket receipt. A list of attendees was sent to Graciela Lacueva. The honoraria was \$500 plus expenses. Bahram also pointed out that to help defray costs one can use speakers from national laboratories when appropriate.

## **7. Forthcoming Meetings Reports:**

Spring 2001, Kent State University-

Satyendra Kumar reported the topic is "Physics and Biological Systems," and that they have a list of suggested speakers.

**Fall 2001, Denison University - Ron Winters**

Ron announced that Denison would have to withdraw from sponsoring the Fall, 2001 meeting. There was then a lengthy discussion as to how to proceed. Gordon Aubrecht suggested having a joint meeting with SOS/AAPT with physics education the topic at COSI. COSI has meetings and banquet halls all on site, but cost was a concern. Ron Winters moved that we have Gordon pursue the idea of meeting at COSI. He would inquire about pricing and then let the EC know. Perry Yaney seconded and the motion was passed. Ron asked what expense the section is willing to incur, and Brad noted that there would be no university support in such a situation. Perry moved that we set a limit of \$6000, and the motion was passed.

Mike Crescimanno suggested that Youngstown (YSU) might be willing to jump forward to fill the Fall, 2001 gap and someone further down the list might be willing to fill their place. No decision was made.

**Spring 2002, Youngstown State University - Mike Crescimanno**

Mike noted the topic for this meeting will be "photon induced processes." He also wanted to know whether or not this should be a joint meeting with SOS/AAPT and with southeastern and NOS/AAPT. It was noted that as often as possible OSAPS tries to meet jointly with AAPT.

**Fall 2002, Ohio State University - Steve Pinsky** No report.

**Spring 2003 Ohio University - Roger Rollins** No report, Roger could not attend.

**Fall 2003 Cleveland State University - Miron Kaufman and Paul Hambourger**

Miron announced the topic will be either Physics Education or Medical Physics. There are several speakers close which will help keep costs down. Support from CSU is questionable. Gordon suggested perhaps the AAPM (physicists in medicine) might co-host.

M. Kaufman asked about using email for meeting mailings and Alan Chodos from APS Headquarters said he would look into how APS can select out receiving paper mail and would prefer only email. Bahram also reminded future hosts that the local host uses discretion about the number of mailings and that OSAPS does not need to mail to SOS/AAPT.

### **Spring, 2004 - Beverly Berger**

AAPT (Michigan) has been contacted about a joint meeting, they will try to involve the Detroit Metropolitan Area Speakers Association. Beverly expects the university to provide some support and adequate space. She did note that the university might provide more financial aid if the meeting were under the auspices of something like The Midwest Section rather than the Ohio Section, and urged a serious reconsideration of the Section name. There is considerable industrial physics in the area with the presence of Ford and GM research lab. Possible meeting topics are condensed matter, gravitational and medical physics.

### **8. Nominations Committee Report - No report**

### **9. Honors and Awards Committee Report -**

Since Bob Hengehold could not be present Scott Lee read a note from Bob to the EC. The main points are listed here. Last year two Fowler and one Maxwell Awards were presented. Don Reynolds of WSU and Bunny Clark of OSU received the Fowler at the Fall meeting in Dayton. Paul Hagelberg of Wittenberg received the Maxwell Award at the Spring meeting in Cincinnati.

There was to be no award at Toledo. Bob has a list of Maxwell candidates. The plan is to proceed down the list, and, when possible, to present the award at a meeting near the recipient's home town.

Bob preferred to get a candidate for the next Fowler Award in the Spring of 2001, but is having trouble getting nominations. He plans an e-mail or letter to the membership in the next month or so to obtain more nominations.

Bob is also pursuing aiding the nomination of fellows and will report further at the spring meeting.

### **10. Membership Committee Report - Graciela Lacueva**

Currently nonmember registration at OSAPS meetings is \$35. Gordon Aubrecht proposed that the no-member non-student registration be raised to \$50. A motion to table this was passed.

## **12. APS Headquarters Report - Alan Chodos**

Perry Yaney deferred to guest visitor Alan Chodos from the National APS office. Mr. Chodos distributed information and briefly discussed several new initiatives from the National office, and either asked that we participate as APS members or provide feedback on the initiatives.

The APS Technical Network is a web-based data base allowing informal contact between fellow members. This data base contains more extensive information on the participants' field of physics expertise, education and possible descriptions of their research interests as well as the usual address information. People can register at <http://www.aps.org/TN> and any feedback can contact Modeste Knowles at [knowles@aps.org](mailto:knowles@aps.org). Ron Winters suggested we should urge members to respond to this and to announce this at the banquet and send an OSAPS email announcement to the membership. This was agreed.

Physics Central is a web page at [www.physicscentral.com](http://www.physicscentral.com). There is information for the general public.

Friends of APS consists of APS members who are willing to help raise attention of APS to faculty who are not APS members.

There was also a brochure describing the Career & Professional Development Program. Physics departments enrolled in this program are provided current information on career and employment trends, innovative examples of integrating research and education to attract funding, and to allow exchange of information about Liaison programs at other institutions. The department must select a liaison, who can enroll at <http://www.aps.org>. APS also provides an email forwarding where by a member can be reached by using an address of the form [name@mailaps.org](mailto:name@mailaps.org). Registration for this can be reached at <http://www.aps.org>.

## **11. APS Council Report - Perry Yaney**

Perry circulated a copy of a letter from Judy Franz concerning the enlargement and renaming of the Ohio Section. She felt any enlargement should include entire states since it would otherwise complicate APS plans to start other sections in the Midwest. It needs to be noted that such an expansion of OSAPS will certainly change the nature of the organization.

There was discussion of the renaming of OSAPS. Most felt this would be necessary, but there was no consensus on either the name or the area to be included. Perry volunteered to write a letter asking which schools would be willing to participate in an expanded section. He will send this to the EC for review and then to Judy Franz.

**13. Other New Business** - The issue of the very early abstract deadline was brought up again. Perry also noted other sections were faced with similar problems. Mr. Chodos pointed out the deadlines faced by APS in preparing the abstracts for posting, and said he would look into this matter.

Robert Brown raised the possibility of OSAPS sponsoring a coffee table at a meeting of the International Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine occurring in Cleveland in February, 2001. He felt this would be an excellent way to promote OSAPS to industrial physicists and also to promote the MRI sector to the larger APS membership. Robert said there is a shortage of physicists in this specialty, and that his B. S. and Ph.D. students are in great demand. Gordon moved that the Section support a coffee table at this meeting. Klaus Fritsch seconded and the motion was passed.

**14. Election Procedure** Gordon Aubrecht

Gordon reported that APS will help in moving to electronic balloting. There is still a problem getting nominations. Gordon also encouraged all to provide suggestions on how increase OSAPS and APS membership.

The meeting adjourned at 12:50!

Respectfully Submitted,

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