

Minutes from Program Committee Meeting

**American Nuclear Society – Thermal Hydraulics Division
Program Committee Meeting
Hyatt Regency Atlanta, Atlanta, GA
2:30 – 4:30 PM, Sunday, June 16, 2013
Location: Greenbriar**

Attendees: Xiaodong Sun, David Aumiller, Igor Bolotnov, Piyush Sabharwall, Baowen Yang, Lane Carasik, Yang Liu, Philippe Bardet, Elia Merzari, Seungjin Kim, F. Bill Cheung, Hisashi Ninokata, Jong Kim, Sama Bilbao y Leon, Chul-Hwa Song, Yassin Hassan, Francesco D’Auria, Emilio Baglietto, Bob Martin, John Luxat, Paolo Ferroni, Rui Hu, Wade Marcum, Fatih Aydogan, DuWayne Schubring (Treasurer), Kurshad Muftuoglu (Chair), Si Young Lee (Secretary)

The attendance sheets for the meeting are included as Attachment A.

1. Opening (Muftuoglu)

Chair Muftuoglu called the THD Program Committee (PC) meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda (All)

The proposed meeting agenda was introduced and reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda (Attachment B). The motion passed unanimously.

3. Minutes from 2012 Annual Meeting and 2012 Winter Meeting

PC Chair Muftuoglu mentioned that the Meeting Minutes for the 2012 June Annual Meeting and 2012 Winter Meeting were not distributed yet. Actions were requested for the meeting minutes for the last two meetings, 2012 Annual and Winter Meetings, including electronic meetings / votings via e-mails.

Note: All the action items electronically taken after 2012 Winter Meeting were recently included in the EC meeting note.

4. Action Items from 2012 Winter Meeting

- a. Providing 100-word abstracts for new sessions proposed for 2013 Winter Meeting (Sun)
 - Actions were captured from the last meeting, 2012 Winter Meeting.

5. Session Status of 2013 ANS Annual Meeting in Atlanta, GA (Muftuoglu)

PC Chair distributed a summary report for the paper submittal statistics, review participations, and session assignments during the meeting. A total of 50 summary papers were received for the 2013 ANS Annual Meeting. During the review process, 10 of the papers were either not completed after receiving “Reject Unless Revised” recommendation or were withdrawn, resulting in 40 summary papers in the final program. The accepted papers were published under a total of 9 sessions, including two half-length sessions. He reported that all of the papers received adequate review on a timely basis. There were 137 review recommendations, which were performed by 23 reviewers. Chair Muftuoglu requested the THD members to increase the participations of the paper review for improving the paper quality.

Chair raised the concerns about “No Shows” for the last meeting and how to handle these cases. There were some discussions about this issue, but no actions were made at this time.

6. 2013 ANS Winter Meeting Program in Washington, DC (Muftuoglu)

For the 2013 Winter Meeting, there are 11 planned sessions, including one invited session entitled as “Highlights of NURETH-15 – Panel”. Chairs of the invited session, D’Auria and Muftuoglu, will send an invitation letter to each of the panel participants. The website for submission of summary papers is open and the deadline for the paper submission has been extended to July 1, 2013. Note: After the PC meeting, the deadline was further extended to July 9, 2013.

A motion was moved and seconded to charge the Division’s NPC Representative to suggest to the NPC that the paper submission deadlines for the ANS national meetings (Annual and Winter) be extended for one month from the current deadlines. The motion passed unanimously.

7. 2014 ANS Annual Meeting Program in Reno, NV (Muftuoglu)

A proposal was made to hold an embedded topical meeting “Advances in Thermal Hydraulics 2014 (ATH’14)” at the 2014 ANS Annual Meeting in Reno, NV. The paper format for this meeting will be summary and full-length paper.

A motion to the effect of this proposal was made and seconded in the EC meeting. The motion passed.

8. NURETH-15 Report (D’Auria)

Dr. Francesco D’Auria provided a brief summary on NURETH-15 held in Pisa, Italy, May 12-17, 2013. He provided a brief report about the conference. A total of about 460 papers were presented, including the student and poster sessions. There were about 500 attendants and 29 invited speakers. During the meeting 27 NURETH fellows were awarded in the conference. The NURETH fellow award is expected to be continued.

Chair Muftuoglu thanked the NURETH-15 organizers, Prof. Francesco D’Auria, General Chair and his organizing team for the generous support.

9. NUTHOS-10 Update (Ninokata)

Dr. Ninokata provided a brief update that NUTHOS-10 meeting would be held in Okinawa, Japan (December 10 – 14, 2014). Prof. Ishii will be honorary chair, and Prof. Ninokata will be general chair. A website for this meeting will be made available soon.

10. NURETH-16 Selection (J. Kim) and Update (Merzari/Sun)

Conference Selection chair, Dr. Kim, provided a summary for the NURETH-16 selection. Three domestic proposals were submitted and the proposal submitted by the Chicago local section was selected for the NURETH-16 conference. The motion for the conference selection was electronically seconded and approved by the EC members via e-mails. NURETH-16 website will be established soon and the conference will be held at Chicago, IL, August 30 – September 4, 2015.

11. Old Business (All)

PC Chair Muftuoglu provided background information about the increased level of THD program activities, including more meeting support, larger number of papers, and therefore more reviews from THD members. As the Division and programmatic activities grow, it becomes necessary to expand the THD PC. He therefore proposed a motion to increase the maximum number of THD PC members to no more than 50 members. Prof. Woods on behalf of the Nominating Committee nominated that Dr. Xiaodong Sun be PC Chair and Dr. Elia Merzari be PC Vice Chair. The proposed motions and incoming officer nominations will be reviewed and approved by the next EC meeting.

Lastly, outgoing PC Chair, Dr. Muftuoglu, was acknowledged by all the THD PC members for his dedicated service to the Division for the past eight years.

12. New Business (All)

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

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PROPOSED AGENDA (Draft)

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 - b. Reviews
 - c. Session Assignments
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