# RHIC/AGS Users Executive Committee

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13 October 2020

### Outline

#### Special business

• Quick discussion of special business from last time

#### Regular business

- MCO
- SAS
- AOB

### Experimental website access issues

- The STAR website is currently online but was offline for a period of about 6 weeks
- The BRAHMS website is currently online (was perhaps unaffected)
- PHOBOS and sPHENIX are back online
- Update from last time: PHENIX is back online (happened a few days after last month's meeting)
  - —Static pages have much lower security risk
  - —This kind of separation between public & private is a good model going forward

# Safety issue at 1006C

- A safety incident at Building 1006C (STAR trailer) in February of 2018 has not been adequately addressed by the Lab
- A variety of emails have been exchanged including people higher up in the Lab management
- Updates from last time: Bill Christie (CAD) shared with me a project proposal from Brian McCaffrey (MPO)
  - —\$50,000 civil construction, should completely and permanently resolve the issue
  - —Waiting to hear back from Bill about project status

Duration	Start	End			
25	9:00	9:25:00 AM	Talk 1	Talk 1	Talk 1
25	9:25:00 AM	9:50:00 AM	Talk 2	Talk 2	Talk 2
25	9:50:00 AM	10:15:00 AM	Talk 3	Talk 3	Talk 3
15	10:15:00 AM	10:30:00 AM	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
25	10:30:00 AM	10:55:00 AM	Talk 4	Talk 4	Talk 4
25	10:55:00 AM	11:20:00 AM	Talk 5	Talk 5	Talk 5
25	11:20:00 AM	11:45:00 AM	Talk 6	Talk 6	Talk 6
30	11:45:00 AM	12:15:00 PM	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break
			Parallel 4	Parallel 5	Parallel 6
25	12:15:00 PM	12:40:00 PM	Talk 1	Talk 1	Talk 1
25	12:40:00 PM	1:05:00 PM	Talk 2	Talk 2	Talk 2
25	1:05:00 PM	1:30:00 PM	Talk 3	Talk 3	Talk 3
15	1:30:00 PM	1:45:00 PM	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
25	1:45:00 PM	2:10:00 PM	Talk 4	Talk 4	Talk 4
25	2:10:00 PM	2:35:00 PM	Talk 5	Talk 5	Talk 5
25	2:35:00 PM	3:00:00 PM	Talk 6	Talk 6	Talk 6

Duration	Start	End	Topic	Speaker		
25				-	Berndt Mueller (confirmed)	
25			EIC	Yulia Furletova (confirmed)		
25	9:50:00 AM	10:15:00 AM	sPHENIX	Caroline Riedl (confirmed)		
15	10:15:00 AM	10:30:00 AM	BREAK	N/A		
25	10:30:00 AM	10:55:00 AM	CAD report	Chuyu Liu (confirme	ed)	
25	10:55:00 AM	11:20:00 AM	STAR report	Daniel Cebra (confirmed)		
25	11:20:00 AM	11:45:00 AM	STAR	Raghav Kunnawalkam Elayavalli (confirmed)		
30	11:45:00 AM	12:15:00 PM	LUNCH	N/A		
25	12:15:00 PM	12:40:00 PM	PHENIX	Ralf Seidl (confirmed)		
25	12:40:00 PM	1:05:00 PM	Life with pandemic	Michelle Violanti (confirmed)		
25	1:05:00 PM	1:30:00 PM	Diversity	Justin Frantz (not confirmed)		
15	1:30:00 PM	1:45:00 PM	BREAK	N/A		
25	1:45:00 PM	2:10:00 PM	Awards and flash talks	UEC		
25	2:10:00 PM	2:35:00 PM	Awards and flash talks	UEC		
25	2:35:00 PM	3:00:00 PM	Any other UEC business	UEC		

- Waiting to hear from ITD (Kelly has been in contact)
- Six workshops on Thursday October 22
- One plenary session on Friday October 23
- Poster session organized by Audrey, Alex, Matt
- Experiment talks/speakers all confirmed
- Planned Diversity talk by Justine
- Planned "life with pandemic" talk
  - —Christine has been in contact with someone, not fully resolved yet

#### DNP Open Forum (Christine)

- Online only
- In progress (not confirmed): invited talk about supporting Black physicists, K. Renee Horton (NASA)
- Confirmed: Panel session with Ed O'Brien (sPHENIX), Lijuan Ruan (STAR), Lee Hammons (CAD)

- Maybe we'll get "lucky" and the pandemic resolves in time for an in-person AUM in June 2021
- Too soon to plan seriously for it, but we can start outlining the procedure

#### Communications

• Nothing on the horizon (no need to plan for Nuclear Physics DC Day 2021 just yet)

#### Outreach

- Thesis Awards
- Merit Awards
- DNP/APS Committees & Awards
  - —Nomination of Saskia Mioduszewski for GHP member-at-large sent today
- Representation & Diversity in Physics

### Site Access / Science

- STAR needs people for shift and sPHENIX needs people for construction
- Kathy can't attend today, but:
  - -Food delivery services can still be used
  - —Bldg 911 is being evaluated for a micromart
  - —Alternate food plans should be made through end of FY21
- "The business model for on-site food struggled prior to the Pandemic, reduced staff on-site and NYS guidelines for food service make it extremely difficult to envision a long term solution at this time. Alternative ideas like food trucks are being considered."

# Any Other Business

• Anything else?