

# RHIC/AGS Users Executive Committee Meeting

Marzia Rosati–Chair-elect  
Zhenyu Ye–Chair  
Christine Nattrass–Past-chair

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- Working Group Reports
  - SAS
  - FPP
  - MCO
  - QoL
  - Diversity
- AOB

# Working Groups

If you would like to join a working group, please let the convener and Kelly know.

- Site Access and Science (SAS): Rosi Reed, Kathleen Nasta (C)
- Funding, Politics, Programmatic (FPP): Jim Drachenburg, Carl Gagliardi, Xuan Li, Zhenyu Ye (C)
- Meetings, Communication, & Outreach: Xuan Li, Marzia Rosati (C)
- Quality of Life: Jim Drachenburg, Roli Esha, Xuan Li, Agnieszka Sorensen, Maria Stefaniak, Christine Nattrass (C)
- Diversity: Xuan Li, Justin Frantz (C)

# Site Access and Science (SAS)

Current rules: <https://www.bnl.gov/covid19/updates/20220824.php>

- All individuals who have been identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19 but are asymptomatic can continue to work, but must wear a high-quality mask
- 50-person limit on internal (BSA) meetings has been removed.
- Lab visitors and guests are not required to provide vaccination information nor provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test
- Face coverings are no longer required on the Brookhaven Lab site or within Lab buildings, facilities, and vehicles, regardless of an individual's vaccination status.
- Social distancing is no longer required but is encouraged

Is such info shared on the users mailing list?

# Funding, Politics, & Programmatic (FPP)

- New DOE NSAC Long Range Plan
  - Remarks from those attended the QCD Town Hall meeting?
- BNL Code of Conduct (Rep: Christine)
  - Update?

# Meetings, Communication, & Outreach (MCO)

## RHIC Open Forum at DNP

- Report by Marzia

## Communication with Users:

- UEC meeting minutes will be recorded by Teri and shall include a brief résumé of the results of the deliberations. After preliminary approval by the Chairs, copies of the minutes shall be provided to all regular members of the UEC, who will approve at the next UEC meeting before posting on UEC webpage with a short notice to the users.
- Task from the 2019 Science & Technology review of RHIC: “The RHIC UEC should maintain a prioritized (posted) list of requests for action items from BNL Management.”
  - Report by Agnieszka
- Prepare UEC Report for the upcoming DOE S & T review on Nov 9, 2022.
  - Report from Users Meeting
  - Issues and concerns

# Quality of Life (QoL)

- Onsite living:
  - Issue with internet connection at dorm/apartment
  - Lights on the pathway to apartments? Update (10/16/2022 by Kelly): Replaced about 20 light bulbs along the apartment area. About 3 lights still out because they need the ballast replaced.
- Onsite food:
  - News on cafeteria?

- Maps on gender neutral restrooms and lactation rooms?
- Conference speakers: UEC reaching out to future major conference organizers?  
DOE Office of Science: beginning in FY 2023, proposals requesting funding to support a conference will require that the host organization of the conference have an established code of conduct or policy in place that addresses discrimination, harassment, bullying, and other exclusionary practices. It must also include processes for reporting and addressing complaints. Applicants will also be required to submit a recruitment and accessibility plan for speakers and attendees. This plan will need to include discussion of the recruitment of individuals from groups historically minoritized in the research community.



# Any Other Business

- Anything else