

UEC Meeting: Monday, Sept 12, 2022 9:00am Zoom Call

In Attendance: Teri Lazar, Kathy Nasta, Kelly Guiffreda, Agnieszka Sorensen, Carl Gagliardi, Christine Natrass, Hanna Zbroszczyk, Jim Drachenberg, Justin Frantz, Maria Stefaniak, Marzia Rosati, Megan Connors, Raghav Elayavalli, Roli Esha, Ron Belmont, Rosi Reed, Zhenyu Ye

Introduction:

Elaborating on all working groups and their definitions. If anyone interested in joining, please contact Kelly Guiffreda.

Site Access and Science (SAS):

COVID – who receive the COVID emails when guidelines are updated within BNL?

Kelly will check out the list server, suppose to go to all active guests and users. UPDATE9/13/2022: list is being looked at by ITD, all emails are not listed.

Funding, Politics, and Programmatic (FPP):

RHIC Open Forum in October 2022. Plan for hybrid. Marzia will prepare for open forum within next couple of weeks.

Letter to Nuclear Science Advisory committee, NSAC – Zhenyu does not think it's necessary for this round and there is no objection from UEC.

BNL NPP Codes of Conduct – Christine is the UEC representative in the committee. She shared a draft with the UEC by email. The COC will apply to all guests and users. Previously it did not.

Meetings, Communication, and Outreach (MCO)

UEC discussed the proposal by Zhenyu to have UEC meeting minutes published. Teri does take notes. Going forward, Teri will complete notes, Kelly will send to the three chairs who will review and decide what will or will not be published. Send email to users when notes are posted to UEC Webpage

Agnieszka – discussed the list of requests and action items to BNL Management

Blog and Facebook are not up to date, and do not reach theorists. Agnieszka uses twitter for communication. Matter Most is another platform, most useful for the younger crowd.

RHIC/AGS UEC webpage is hosted by an outside domain.

Marzia – ping large groups for their input, not sure about EIC, they have their own users group.

Quality of Life (QOL)

<https://www.bnl.gov/visitorinfo/> - for gender-neutral bathrooms (when available), lactation rooms, transportation options, info about the dorms etc

Onsite Living – double occupancy in the apartment is now available.

Onsite Food Service -Food trucks every day and there is RFP out for new food vendor. Kathy thinks late fall.

Gender Neutral Restrooms – BNL F&O is in the process of creating gender neutral bathroom signs. Kathy was working on obtaining more information. List of gender-neutral bathroom is not available yet and a list will be added to website when available.

Kathleen Nasta sent food delivery to all UEC members, see instructions below:

Process for guests/users ordering food from off-site vendors for delivery to Brookhaven National Laboratory

- (1) Guests can call the main gate Security Booth at 631-344-2240 to let them know a food delivery is coming.
- (2) Officer will ask some questions, such as vendor name, and record it on a form they use to track.
- (3) As long as the food vendor driver has a valid driver's license, they will be allowed to proceed to make the delivery at the building specified.
- (4) If the driver has no driver's license or it is not valid, either the guest has to come to the gate to get the food, or if an officer can be spared, the officer will escort the driver to the building specified and then offsite when done.
- (5) "Uber Eats" is OK as long as they follow the process above.

NOTE: If RHIC is operating and under controlled restriction, the food vendor driver will not be able to enter the ring road.

Diversity

Discussed how to reach out to future conference organizers by sharing with them the arXiv paper and importance to consider speakers from underrepresented groups.

Christine said it will be not straightforward to manually maintain the conference record with statistics, and recommend to push on inspires to include such info.