

# Report from the Chair

## Fermilab Users Executive Committee Meeting

January 14, 2011

# Agenda

- 12:00-12:19 Lunch
- 12:15-12:30 Report from the Chair
- 12:30-1:30 Pier Oddone, Directorate
- 1:30-2:00 Craig Hogan, Center for Particle Astrophysics
- 2:00-3:00 Subcommittee/GSA Reports
- 3:00-3:30 Carole McGuire, Lewis-Burke Associates

We will adjust the schedule as necessary to accommodate our guests

- (Most) Winter 2011 meeting dates are set
  - Jan. 14, Feb. 11, Mar. 4, Apr. 8
  - Still need to set May date
    - will work on soon

# NUFO Event for Congress

- National Users Facility Organization (NUFO)
- Several members of Congress asked NUFO to host an event for Congress to highlight the User Fac.
  - Biggert, Ehlers, Foster, Holt signed it
- Reception with professional posters
  - highlight user facilities in general and each facility has its own poster
- Fermilab has been requested to:
  - provide \$5k in monetary support (???)
  - provide location of user institutions for a poster of districts where users reside (sent, but we were the last ones)
  - provide material for a poster
  - a user to represent Fermilab for the reception
- Date is not set, but possibly late March
- Asked Directorate about how this would be handled (who would do work), but haven't heard back

# Requests for Help

- Nominations for Fermilab Traffic Safety Committee
  - searching for a user to be on committee to represent user viewpoint
  - need to provide name soon (already late)
- “Ask-a-Scientist” help needed
  - Sunday afternoon program once a month
  - need volunteers to meet visitors and answer questions
    - grad students to retirees
  - Dates: Feb. 27, Mar. 6, Apr. 3, May 1, Jun 5, Jul 10
  - will send an email to the users org mailing list

# PAC Nominations

- We have been asked to provide suggestions of people to serve on the PAC
  - starting June 2011
  - John Carlstrom (Chicago), JoAnn Hewett (SLAC), Ian Shipsey (Purdue), and Rick Van Kooten (Indiana) will be retiring
  - want a range of experience and expertise
- At least one recommendation from last year was added to this year's PAC
- Director makes ultimate decisions
  - wants our input
- Discussion:

# Fermilab Holiday/Potluck Party

- Friday Dec. 17, 2010 – evening
- The party was a great success
  - good turnout
  - good food
  - very entertaining skits
- Thank you to everyone who helped out
- Project X elevator speech winner not announced
- Tevatron symposium earlier in the day was also very well attended



# Other News

- Sent a letter of congratulations to Dennis Kovar on behalf of UEC/Fermilab users
- “Meet the UEC” coffee break this morning
  - big thank you to Barb Book and Michelle Gleason for help
  - received some feedback from users who can’t make it

# **OTHER BUSINESS**