**LArSoft Steering Group Notes**

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Present: Steve Brice, Bonnie Fleming, Herb Greenlee, Tom Junk, Ornella Palamara Ruth Pordes, Jen Raaf, Brian Rebel, Dave Schmitz, Erica Snider, Andrzej Szelc, Mark Thomson

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## Update on Action Items

Tom: *include LarLite discussions explicitly in the architecture meetings please.*

## Bringing back LArForum.org

Andrzej agrees goal to have information shared across experiments. Only go to private experiment groups if the need arises. Forum is “transient”, “specific” and “dynamic”. Moderators would coordinate this, discuss if information is persistent and could be moved to redmine etc.

Tom: Will need to monitor what is happening.

Erica: is there a way of ranking replies ie if you are looking for knowledge find the most relevant information. – Andrzej will find out.

*We appreciate that Andrezej agreed (thank you!) to support the LarForum server and be the main administrator/moderator for 6months.*

*Looking for one moderator person from each experiment please (Andrzej not double counted.)*

*Tom: offers to be the Dune rep.*

## Outreach

Mark: wait 3-4 weeks before can give names for DUNE (CERN) prototype/test. *Please re-ask the question of whom to contact at the next meeting.*

Ornella: representing across SBN rather than any specific experiment. Hope to have a common s/w across the three experiments. SBN having a workshop on event reconstruction in July and will decide then on next step.

Steve: Someone in ND likely to be spending significant time at CERN mostly on DAQ commonality and a combination of this person and Angela can be included as contacts. *Please Re-raise this issue at June steering group.*

## Round table and Continue Discussion of Phase II

*Agreement to move forward with larsoft.org as front page at steering group – collaboration – level.*

Dave – anything we can do to show this is an active collaborative community and not a Fermilab centric project would be helpful. Help from SCD to get this going would be useful.

Tom: Geant4 etc. front pages are useful for citations, getting to other places, public facing pages, starting point for links etc. Larsoft equivalent could be useful for new users and how to get started. Would be easier to point people to larsoft.org rather than to a redmine wiki. Good to send people to conferences to talk about LArSoft as a collaboration. Perhaps post module authorship as credit rather than number of check-ins

Bonnie: Likes idea of the front page. Like the idea of evolving LArSoft of a collaboration/project because has a mechanism for giving people credit for the work they have done even if they are on different experiments. Front page moves us into that direction. How to do this will require more discussion.

Mark: echo Bonnie’s comments.

Andrzej: Good idea to have the front page.

Jen: likes the front page and thinks reestablishing LArForum is very useful. When working on Microboone earlier was a successful customer of the information.

Ornella: ideas summarized by the others. Agree with front page. Having more emphasis on the Collaboration layer for Phase II is a useful idea.

Brian: In favor of front page. LArForum is useful. Having steering group meetings once a month to exchange information useful.

Herb: Front page is good idea. He will advertise LArForum through MicroBoone.

Steve: Thinks L*arSoft needs a “charm initiative”*, including at CERN. HEP will benefit from a single piece of co-owned s/w rather than several.