

DELAWARE AUTHORITY ON RADIATION PROTECTION

Public Education & Nominating Committees

Summary of Meeting

July 23, 2019, 9 am

Jesse Cooper Building

Dover, DE 19901

Attendees

W. Holden, III, Committee Chair

F. Fisher-Tyler

I. Turner, Jr.

R. Brinsfield

I. Call to Order & Approval of Agenda

Committee Chair W. Holden, III called the meeting to order at 9:20 am. The draft agenda was reviewed, and no changes were proposed. I. Turner, Jr. introduced a motion to approve the agenda, F. Fisher-Tyler seconded and all voted to approve. The motion passed.

II. Old Business

Committee Chair W. Holden, III provided a brief overview of Authority efforts to establish, and maintain the Authority webpage. He reported that the GoDaddy domain name had been secured for a ten-year term, and the ORC was monitoring correspondence from GoDaddy. ORC Administrator F. Fisher-Tyler reported that the volunteer Authority Webmaster, Leslie Poland resigned after serving for four years due to competing priorities and her current duties do not allow for keeping current in the technology advances. Accordingly, it was agreed to seek a volunteer by reaching out to the Authority membership.

Action Item: Distribute an email request to Authority membership seeking a volunteer Webmaster, F. Fisher-Tyler

III. New Business

ORC Administrator F. Fisher-Tyler provided a brief overview of Authority efforts to fill two vacant public member posts on the board. She asked that we consider objective criteria from recognized bodies, preferably in health care. Authority Vice-Chair I. Turner, Jr. indicated that biosafety research requires establishment of Institutional Biosafety Committees, and that there are criteria from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) describing “non-affiliated” members. Based on NIH Institutional Biosafety Committee criteria as a comparable, an organizational entity that exists to provide health and environmental protection for technically complex research matters not unlike radiation protection, the following was presented by Authority Vice-Chair I. Turner, Jr. as possible text to consider for inclusion in the Authority Bylaws: “Public members are intended to represent the interests of the surrounding community with respect to applications of peaceful uses of radiation and the public health. The Authority’s nominating committee will recommend possible nominees for non-affiliated public

members including officials of private or public health or environmental agencies, members of other local non-governmental bodies, or persons active in medical, occupational health, or environmental concerns in the community. Other possibilities are teachers from local schools, real estate agents, members of local churches, charitable organizations or local support groups. These are people who are often willing to volunteer their time and who generally have a broad perspective on the communities in which they live. The determination of qualities in a public member is not always a straightforward matter, and good judgment is key. However, the Authority will exercise good faith to identify nominees within the criteria provided in these Bylaws.”

Committee Chair William Holden, III inquired as to the status of the University of Delaware professor identified as a possible public member for New Castle County. F. Fisher-Tyler indicated that she was working with W. Fendt to obtain a CV for Dr. S. Rozovsky and that upon obtaining it would circulate it for Authority member review, per procedure.

ORC Administrator F. Fisher-Tyler reported that Radiation Protection Week is November 3 – 9, 2019 and a proclamation should be prepared. Committee Chair William Holden, III suggested a proclamation signing at the Governor’s Office in Dover, with invitation to Authority partners to attend: Authority members, and a representative of the executive boards of the Medical Society, Osteopathic Medical Society, Delaware State Dental Society and Veterinary Society.

Committee Chair W. Holden, III reported that election of Authority officers would take place at the November 2019 public meeting, per Authority Bylaws. It was determined that I. Turner, Jr. was willing to continue to serve as Vice-Chair for 2020. F. Fisher-Tyler reported that current Authority Chair F. Esposito plans to step down as Chair, but plans to remain on the Authority as Medical Society representative. K. Musto was recommended as nominee to serve as Authority Chair. K. Musto was contacted during the meeting and confirmed he would be honored to be nominated for election to Chair.

Action Item: Incorporate public member criteria language into Authority Bylaws, for discussion and vote at September 30 2019 public meeting, F. Fisher-Tyler & I. Turner, Jr.

Action Item: Distribute Dr. Rozovsky CV to Authority members via email, and prepare draft recommendation letter for Chair signature, upon approval of the Authority, F. Fisher-Tyler.

Action Item: Share proclamation text from Radiation Protection Week 2018 with I. Turner, III, F. Fisher-Tyler.

Action Item: Submit request to DPH Calendar for signing event with Governor’s office, F. Fisher-Tyler.

IV. Public Comments

There was nothing to report.

V. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was introduced by Committee Chair W. Holden, III. The motion was seconded by F. Fisher-Tyler, and all voted to approve. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Frieda Fisher-Tyler,
Administrative Agent,
Authority on Radiation
Protection