

Argonne Alumni Association (A3)

General Meeting Minutes – March 15, 2017

Presentation

- A presentation on A3 was made by Jan Hessler, Connie Markiewicz, Dave Livengood & Dee Wernette and it addressed:
 - History and current status of A3
 - Discussion of the Purpose and Future Directions
 - Proposed Modifications to the Constitution
 - Discussion of the Health Insurance Survey
- Comments & Questions:
 - Constitution:
 - Minor change to add A3 in “Committees” section as noted: “...shall be selected by the Board from A3 volunteers...”
 - Will the Lab be more accepting of the new Constitution? Answer: We will approach management once we have the new constitution fully approved.
 - A motion was made by Jan VanErp and seconded by Armando Travelli to accept the changes to the constitution. A vote by the attendees was unanimous. Before the new constitution is fully accepted, it will be put on the website for the entire membership to comment and vote.
 - Speakers:
 - Can we approach existing Argonne employees to serve as speakers at A3 meetings, which will also help A3 members to remain abreast of developments? Answer: Yes.
 - What about speakers that say negative things about the current administration? Answer: speaker’s presentations are not reviewed in advance.
 - Health Insurance:
 - Health Insurance survey was sent to ~250 and, as of 3/15/17, 30 responses were received
 - Once all responses have been received and collated, the results will be posted on the website
 - Aon was bought by Blackwater
 - General:
 - Goal is to get a more positive relationship with the Lab. We need to be sensitive about the Lab’s position.
 - February, 2016 survey by ANL/HR had social and lectures as the most important items.