



Virginia Chapter Report for HPS Society Year 2018-2019

General Information

Official Year: June - May

Mailing Address:

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Dues Information:

Full Member: \$25.00
Associate: \$0
Student: \$10.00
Emeritus: n/a
Life: n/a
Affiliate: \$150.00
Chapter Funds as of 1 May: Between \$1,000 and \$10,000

Charter Date: July 1975

Science Teacher Workshop? yes

Held: Regularly
Frequency: 4.5 day STW annually
Last workshop: July 17-21, 2018
Average number of teachers attending: 40

Collaboration with other societies? yes

Collaborations: Virginia Section of the American Nuclear Society, North American Young Generation Nuclear (NA-YGN), Women in Nuclear, Local Chapter (WIN-LC), and Baltimore-Washington Chapter of the Health Physics Society

Website: <http://hpschapters.org/vahps/>

Chapter Leadership & Officers

President: Vacant

President-elect: Keith Welch

Secretary: Crystal Levenson

Treasurer: Robert May

Past President: Tanya Palmateer-Oxenberger

Eastern Council Member: Jeanette Foxx

Central Council Member: Carl Tarantino

Western Council Member: Mike Welling

ANS Liaison: Eric Duvekot (non-HPS)

Science Teacher Coordinator: Carl Tarantino

Science Teacher Coordinator: Keith Welch

Director Liaison: Thomas Johnston

Chapter Incorporation & Exempt Status

Applied for Incorporation? no

Applied for an Employer Identification Number? yes

Applied to IRS for Tax Exemption? no

IRS tax exemption granted?

Insurance? no

Willing to share IRS paperwork? no

Chapter Membership & Certifications

HPS Members: 20

non-Members: 12

Total: 32

ABHP Certified: 12

NRRPT Certified: 8

Meetings/Activities: Meetings/Activities (Aug-18 to Jul-19)

Sep '18 Meeting Topic: Planning Meeting

Type: Executive Council

Speaker: N/A

Attendance: 4

Oct '18 Meeting Topic: Planning Meeting

Type: Executive Council

Speaker: N/A

Attendance: 4

Nov '18 Meeting Topic: Fall Meeting

Type: Social, Technical

Speaker: LT Dan Sowers, US Navy, Dr. Pavel Degtiarenko, Jefferson Lab, and Jean-Michelle Horodyski, Institut de Physique Nucléaire Orsay

Attendance: 30

Feb '19 Meeting Topic: Annual Meeting and Officer Nominations

Type: Executive Council

Speaker: N/A

Attendance: 4

Mar '19 Meeting Topic: Annual Meeting and Officer Nominations

Type: Executive Council

Speaker: N/A

Attendance: 7

May '19 Meeting Topic: Annual Meeting, CHP review training, and HPS President Elect Visit

Type: Annual, Technical

Speaker: Eric Goldin, Kimon Jackson, Adam Stavola, Ed Tupin. Training: Keith Welch, Adam Stavola, Erik Abkemeier, and Ed Tupin.

Attendance: 31

Comments

We continued to try to have a joint meeting with the VA-ANS chapter and although the new ANS-HPS liaison was responsive to emails, each time we approached the Chapter, it had already planned its meeting for the year. Finally, this past fall, the VA-ANS chapter explained that it meets in the summer to plan the speakers for the year. We have tentatively scheduled a joint meeting for September 2019 at Jefferson Lab. One of the problems that we had was that the VA-ANS Chapter was seeking a joint meeting with us in the Newport News area at a time when our Chapter was seeking to have a meeting in the Richmond area.

We had two Chapter meetings this year in the fall and our annual meeting in the spring. The fall meeting was held at the SURA Residence Facility at the Jefferson Lab on 29 November. Thirty members and guests attended the meeting. The agenda included three speakers and Atlantic Nuclear demonstrating the latest information on its products by Michael Rook. The speakers were LT Dan Sowers, US Navy, RASO, "ALARA: Are we creating more hype by logging less dose?", Dr. Pavel Degtiarenko, Jefferson Lab, "NDX Neutron Detector: Extended energy, high dose rate neutron detector that works in a high gamma dose rate background," and Jean-Michelle Horodyski, Institut de Physique Nucléaire Orsay, "PERLE (Powerful ERL for Experiments) a novel Energy Recovery Linac Facility at Orsay."

The annual meeting was successful with 31 attending. The meeting was held on 17 May at Old Dominion University Tri-Cities Center in Portsmouth. The meeting was opened by Chapter

President Joe Sorcic and consisted of the business meeting, technical program, officer elections, CHP training, and the President-elect visit. Speakers were President-elect Eric Goldin; Kimon Jackson, Director, ODU Director, Nuclear Medicine; Adam Stavola, Jefferson Lab; and Ed Tupin, Consultant. The CHP Training and Strategy Review session was taught by: Adam Stavola, Counting Statistics; Erik Abkemeier, Environmental HP and ABHP exam panel; Ed Tupin, Transportation, Fuel Cycle, and Rad Waste; and Keith Welch, Accelerator HP.

Nick Dorrell was elected as President-elect (2019-2020), Jeannette Fox as Secretary (2019-2021), and Crystal Levenson as Eastern Council representative (2019-2022). Carl Tarantino and Keith Welch will be teaching at the VA-ANS Science Teacher Workshop 29 July-2 Aug.

This Chapter report was created on 31 July 2019 by Tanya Palmateer-Oxenber.