

## HPS Accelerator Section – 2001 Annual Report

The Accelerator Section of the Health Physics Society held their annual business meeting during the 2000 Annual Meeting of the Society in Denver. At this meeting, newly elected officers were announced, and their terms began. The officers of the Section are:

President:	James C. Liu, SLAC
Past-President:	Joe McDonald, PNNL
President-Elect:	Scott Schwahn, TJNAF
Secretary:	Scott Walker, LANL
Treasurer:	Carter Ficklen, TJNAF
Newsletter Editor:	Linnea Wahl, LBNL

### Directors:

- Mike Grissom, SLAC (2001)
- Marcia Torres, ANL-E (2001)
- Nolan Hertel, Georgia Tech University (2002)
- Bob Casey, BNL (2002)
- Wes Dunn (2003)
- Sayed Rokni, SLAC (2003)

Due to limited number of member attending the HPS Midyear Meeting in Anaheim, CA, there were no Section board and business meetings.

The Section continued to publish the section's Accelerator Radiation Safety Newsletter (the frequency was changed to quarterly from bi-monthly).

The Section, because of the outstanding efforts of Vashek Vylet, has successfully worked with CERN to arrange an International Training Course on Accelerator Radiation Safety at the Conference Center in Erice, Sicily, Italy to be held on October 2-9, 2001. Seven out of 13 lecturers are Accelerator Section members.

Technical program for the Accelerator special session at the Annual HPS Meeting in Cleveland was arranged by the President-elect, Scott Schwahn. A full program of 5 presentations was secured, and an internationally recognized speaker, Prof. Takashi Nakamura, was invited to be our Morgan Lecturer. Prof. Nakamura is also the new President of the Japan Health Physics Society. Prof. Nakamura will address the current status of Japanese accelerator safety.

Renomination of Geoff Stapleton for HPS Fellowship award was made this year (significant efforts led by Ralph Thomas, Bob May, Joe McDonald and Scott Schwahn) and Geoff is selected to receive the HPS Fellow award in Cleveland.

A committee (Greg Jones-chair, Mike Grissom, and James Liu) was formed in November 2000 and a preliminary website to serve its members has been developed and will be reviewed by Section board.

A nomination committee was appointed in March 2001 to search for candidates for openings in the slate of officers this year. The committee consisted of Joe McDonald (past-president served as chair), Steve Musolino, and Vashek Vylet. Candidates were proffered to the membership, and 38 completed ballots were received. The new officers (President-Elect: Carter Ficklen; Treasurer: Marcia Torres; Board of Directors: Ted DeCastro and Tosh Ushino) will be announced to the membership before the annual meeting.

Our outgoing Treasurer, Carter Ficklen, gave his report that the treasury had grown to a balance of \$5966.92, as of March 31, 2001. The Section has received \$565 dues (i.e., 131 members) for the current year.

The Section is initiating an effort to organize a HPS summer school for accelerator radiation safety to be held most likely in 2004 (an idea proposed by Scott Walker and concurred by the Board). The first step was to recommend Vashek Vylet to serve as a member of the HPS Summer School Committee (he has been successfully accepted to be a member starting 2001) to represent the Section in the decision-making of this matter by the HPS.

The Section will hold its annual business meeting just after the Accelerator Session on Tuesday June 12 at 11:30 AM.