

HPS Accelerator Section –2002 Annual Report

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Accelerator Section

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Abstract: This report summarizes the activities of the HPS Accelerator Section for the 2001-2002 business year.

Recommendations for Action

None

Section Information

The Accelerator Section of the Health Physics Society held their annual business meeting during the 2001 Annual Meeting of the Society in Cleveland, OH. At this meeting, newly elected officers were announced, and their terms began (new officers or new terms denoted by a (*)). The officers of the Section are:

President:	Scott Schwahn, Jefferson Lab
Past-President:	James C. Liu, SLAC
President-Elect:	Carter Ficklen [*] , Jefferson Lab
Secretary:	Scott Walker, LANL
Treasurer:	Marcia Torres [*] , ANL -E
Newsletter Editor:	Linnea Wahl [*] , LBNL

Directors:

Nolan Hertel, Georgia Tech (2002)
Bob Casey, BNL (2002)
Wes Dunn (2003)
Sayed Rokni, SLAC (2003)
Ted DeCastro, LBNL (2004)
Tosh Ushino, ICN Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (2004)

There was no Section meeting at the Mid -Year meeting in Orlando.

Our treasurer, Marcia Torres, left mid -term on sabbatical; our previous treasurer and current president elect Carter Ficklen has filled in the gap. Though the Section by -laws are not specific, the spirit of Article VII, paragraph 7 would imply that the offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be combined in the event of a vacancy . The Section Executive Committee will meet at the 2002 meeting in Tampa to discuss this prospect. The responsibilities of treasurer are not very time consuming. As of April 30, 2002, the section account is as follows:

ACCELERATOR
HEALTH PHYSICS SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENSES AND ACCOUNT BALANCE
FOR THE 8 MONTH PERIOD ENDING APRIL 30, 2002

ACCOUNT BALANCE 8/31/01	5,691.75
INCOME RECEIVED	
Dues from HPS Members	600.00
Contributions	0.00
Interest Income	0.00
TOTAL INCOME COLLECTED	600.00
EXPENSES PAID	
Reimburse Schwahn	35.53
Collection & Management Fee	60.00
TOTAL EXPENSES PAID	95.53
NET INCREASE FOR YEAR	504.47
ACCOUNT BALANCE 4/30/02	6,196.22

The technical program for the Accelerators special session at the Annual HPS Meeting to be held in Tampa was arranged by the President -elect, Carter Ficklen. A full program of 10 presentations was secured, as well as a poster presentation. Due to time constraints, we opted not to propose a Morgan Lecturer.

The Section (by 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 which was held on October 2 -9, 2001. Seven out of 13 lecturers are Accelerator Section members.

In 2001 -2002, we issued four quarterly volumes of the Accelerator Radiation Safety Newsletter. We distributed the newsletter via e-mail to all members of the Accelerator Section and to others interested in accelerator safety. We also posted each issue of the newsletter on a website at <http://www.hps.org/iarpe>. The content of the 2001 newsletters included reports from officers of the Accelerator Section and news from correspondents at accelerator facilities around the world. Featured articles included a history of accelerator radiation safety; reports on high-temperature superconductivity at Lawrence Berkeley National Lab's Advanced Light Source; announcements and reviews of the accelerator radiation protection course held in Erice, Italy; and news of upgrades at the Center for Advanced Microstructures and Devices (CAMD) at Louisiana State University and at the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) at Brookhaven National Lab. The newsletter also served as a medium for announcing job openings and training opportunities.

A nomination committee was appointed in March 2002 to search for candidates for openings in the late of officers this year. The committee consisted of James Liu (past president served as chair), Carter Ficklen (president -elect), and Vashek Vylet. Candidates were proffered to the membership, and the new officers will be announced to the membership before the annual meeting.

Nomination of Don Cossairt for HPS Fellowship award was made and he was indeed selected to receive the HPS Fellowship award in Tampa.

Requests were made for HPS Board approval on two items:

- 1) Approval for an annual cash award to a student for the best presented paper or poster to be given by the Accelerator Section in honor of H. Wade Patterson. The criterion needed to be set and approval from the Section Board at the next meeting in Tampa needed to be achieved before announcement to the membership. Approval for the concept was given through our Board Liaison Tom Gesell.
- 2) Approval for a Section Volunteer Award in the same spirit as the Chapter Volunteer awards. Approval was granted through our Board Liaison Tom Gesell. He indicated that we could simply request one to be made by the Secretariat.

The Section will hold its annual business meeting just after the Accelerator Session on Tuesday June 17.