AIRRS Notes from 12/2/2024 Meeting

- Opening remarks from Steve Grimm
- In-person AIRRS meeting for 2025 to be scheduled
- Award history
    - Steve discussed 2022 award given to UMass Lowell
    - Steve introduced 2024 winner, University of Utah.
- 2024 winner presentation. Given by Frederick A. Monette with input from Mary Handy. Fred described Utah's program in great detail, including the following information:
    - 35-40k students
    - 35k+ staff
    - 6 Hospitals
    - 1M Sq.Ft. research space
    - Six HPs and 4 RSSs
    - Actinides in Beagles in 1950s, largest and longest funded study, shut down in 1988
    - Agreement State with Broad Scope License
    - Six active licenses for reactor, radio pharmacy, Broad Scope, etc.
- A Q&A session was held after the talk. The following questions were asked by AIRRS members in attendance:
    - Any issues with long-lived waste?
        - Utah can DIS up to 167 days, no issues with Lu-177m impurities
        - For Ra-223, no issues with the levels of Ac-227 present
    - With staff being so large, are they cross trained to handle different incidents?
        - Yes, lots of cross training and a robust medical physics program at the hospital
    - Do you staffing to be adequate ?
        - For the current program
        - Theragnostics are ramping up, will likely need more trained members on staff