

Report from User Group

- User Group Board of Directors elections.
- JSA Initiatives.
- JSA/User Group Issues: residence facility, ...
- JLab Director Search.
- 12 GeV Upgrade and ongoing 6 GeV program.
- Nominations to the APS DNP Executive Council
- Upcoming political action and the FY 2008 Budget.

Gordon D. Cates, Chair
University of Virginia

Ron Gilman, Chair-elect
Rutgers University

User Group Board of Directors Elections

- Many thanks to outgoing board members !!
 - Peter Bosted
 - Raffaella De Vita
 - Gail Dodge
- Congratulations to the incoming board members:
 - Latifa Elouadrhiri
 - Wally Melnitchouk
 - Larry Weinstein.

JLab Director Search

14 member search committee:

Thomas Appelquist, Ernest J. Moniz, O. Keith Baker,
Jerry P. Draayer, Rolf Ent, Bernard Frois, Gerry Garvey,
Don Geesaman, John A. Gordon (Gen., USAF, Ret.),
Lawrence H. Hare (President, CSC Applied Technology Division),
Walter F. Henning, Emlyn Hughes, Allison Lung, Steve J. Wallace

- According to news update from Greg Kubiak at SURA:
 - Initial meeting on April 26th.
 - Two meetings via conference calls.
 - Met with key staff and users at JLab on June 5th.
 - We were told at this meeting that the committee had also contacted around 40 additional users individually.
 - Will meet again tomorrow.

The UGBOD strongly encourages you to make your feelings heard:

- Contact members of the board individually.
- Pass your comments along through the UGBOD

On the 6 GeV Program

- We may be looking at running at 80% of our normal baseline in coming years.
 - In 2005, we ran roughly 42-43 weeks
 - In 2008, it looks like we will run 34 weeks.
 - This despite roughly \$4M more in 2008
 - We should ask Larry about running plans as we lead up to the upgrade, and emphasize the impact it has on our science and our community.

Nominations for the DNP Executive Committee

- Once again, the UGBOD is suggesting that we nominate candidates for the DNP Executive Committee in a coordinated fashion.
 - Curtis Meyer, Carnegie Mellon
 - Joerg Reinhold, Florida International U.

Forms are available if you would like to fill them out right here at the user meeting. It would be helpful if you would let Ron and I know (by email, with subject line nominations) if you submit one.

On the Congressional Budget Process

- FY08 President's budget looks good.
- House markup exists, and looks good.
- President is threatening to veto current energy bill (not because of us!).
- Senate markup due in early July.
- Conference report comes some time after.
- When (and if) we ask for help, it will happen very quickly.