

# Points to consider for MCO

- meetings, communication and outreach

*UEC Meeting*

*March 5<sup>th</sup> 2010*

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# APS April Meeting - Washington Feb 13-17

- The meeting on Fri with Congress was canceled due to be snow storm
- Science-Engineering-Technology Congressional Visits Day scheduled for April 28-29
  - we should try and get people there
- Abhay and I meet with Paul Doucette and people from OSTP
  - was an interesting and successful meeting
  - well times as day after our announcements
    - lots of articles in the papers

# OSTP meeting action items

- 1) Send list to Paul of states that RHIC has collaborators in - he can then make contacts for specific committees
- 2) We should update our fliers - They are from 2006. Suggestions:
  - Remove PHOBOS and BRAHMS are now decommissioned
  - RHIC-II is essentially completed so remove from upgrade sheet or change slant
  - Higher focus on EIC
  - List number of PhDs produced in total
- 3) They were interested in knowing: how many (inter)national people there were, how many PhD's we have produced, how many Post Docs we employ. Is it possible to break it out by state?  
Both Paul & OSTP mentioned that Congress is focussed on employment
  - how best to demonstrate we are employing training of people?
- 4) They were very impressed that RHIC-II luminosity upgrade was going ahead for less money and much quicker due to the research by the Accelerator division. They thought it good to emphasize we're trying to save money where-ever and when-ever possible.
- 5) When there are future announcements, important publications we should contact these people with pointers to what is happening. They are interested in hearing the latest so they can pass the info. upwards.

# APS news article on RHIC

- I wrote to Barbara and Nu, Jim wrote to Steve
  - Steve - thinks it should be left alone - thinks the APS meeting announcements were timely enough to show RHIC is doing more than merely “confirming”
  - Barbara - Didn’t respond
  - Nu - I pushed some more that he should write some letter, not arguing that CERN is wrong but pointing out what RHIC had done - he thinking about what to write - which I read as he will let it drop unless we push some more

# RHIC/AGS Users meeting (7-11 June)

- 90/50/10 still under debate
- Invites to dignitaries - need to be sent out - my job who should I write to?
- Thesis award - suggest let any one apply who got t PhD in 2010 or 2009 - can't apply twice.
- Posters - see Kelly's Emails
  - vote seems to be for first one
  - since still not sure if 90/50/10 is going ahead I will try and speak with Steve and see if we can release our poster in the mean time
- Workshop planning updates - Paul and Megan
- Educational symposium updates - Christine and Susan

# Educ. Sym. at RHIC/AGS Users meeting

- Update from Susan and Christine
- Strawman agenda (to be discussed in NUFO meeting this afternoon)

9:00-9:10 - Sam Aronson, BNL Lab Director – opening remarks

9:10-9:30 - Speaker - BNL Community, Education, Gov. & Pub. Affairs Directorate (CEGPA), on BNL outreach efforts

9:30-10:00 - Kendra Rand, ALPh - Adopt-a-Physicist program (<http://www.adoptaphysicist.org/>)

+ Abhay Deshpande (or other ) who participated in Adopt-a-Physicist

10:00-10:30 – Cornelius (Con) Beausang, Associate Professor of Physics, Univ, Richmond -his successful establishment of annual Physics Olympics events for regional high school students, and initiatives to help train law enforcement and emergency responder professionals in nucl. physics and nucl. hazards in the post-9/11 era

10:30-11:00 – Coffee break

11:00-11:30 – Dean Kamen, inventor & entrepreneur - FIRST international robotics comp. (<http://usfirst.org/>)

+ Jim Thomas on his work with Port Jefferson, NY high school robotics team

11:30-12:00 – Life science blogger? Or a talk from someone behind a “citizen science” program, e.g. one of the computer screensavers that performs data analysis and sends the results back to a central database?

12:00-2:00 - Lunch

2:00-2:30 - Jeff Nesbit, Director, Office of Legislative and Public Affairs at the NSF - NSF outreach efforts

2:30-3:00 – Someone from DoE: Office of Workforce Development for Teachers and Scientists ([http://www.scied.science.doe.gov/scied/sci\\_ed.htm](http://www.scied.science.doe.gov/scied/sci_ed.htm)), speaking on DoE outreach efforts

3:00-3:30 - DoE Steven Chu (or designee)

3:30-4:00 – Coffee break

4:00-4:30 - Someone from CERN or DESY?, speaking on how their lab does public outreach

4:30-5:00 – Institutional level life sciences public outreach?

5:00-5:15 – Closing remarks?

6:00 – Reception + dinner

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## Agenda outline

- June 7-8 Workshop sessions

Dinner in evening

- June 9 - Education outreach meeting joint with NUFO
- June 10 - Morning - DoE/NSF speakers, thesis award, directors address, UEC election results
- June 10 Afternoon - 90/50/10

## Dinner

- June 11 90/50/10