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Outline

Special business

- Experiment website access issues
- Safety issue at Building 1006C (STAR)
- This year's NSBP meeting

Regular business

- MCO
- SAS
- AOB

Experimental website access issues

- The STAR website is currently online but was offline for a period of about 6 weeks
- The BRAHMS website is currently online
- Currently offline: PHENIX (9 weeks), sPHENIX (8 weeks), and PHOBOS (at least 4 weeks)
- Updates from last time: internal PHENIX and sPHENIX sites accessible via intranet

Safety issue at 1006C

- A safety incident at Building 1006C (STAR trailer) in February of 2018 has not been adequately addressed by the Lab
- Multiple emails and letters went unanswered
- Communication has recently started up (again), which is a positive development
- Anticipating an update from Bill Christie

This year's NSBP meeting

- Originally planned to be held onsite at BNL
- They have decided to organize an online meeting
- Since our field has some experience with these things and it was going to be at the lab, maybe the UEC should reach out and offer some help?

Meetings, Communication, Outreach

Based on what we know so far, AUM2020 will

- Be held online before DNP (late October)
- Be shorter than typical
- Have one full day of workshops; one full day of plenaries and UEC business
- Have 5 workshops (based on who agreed to organize them)

We still need to decide about AUM

- Exact dates
- Schedule for plenary and UEC business day
- What, if anything, to do about posters

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DNP Open Forum

- Fall DNP will be online
- We can and should schedule our usual Open Forum (will be much easier than normal)

AUM 2021

- Maybe we'll get "lucky" and the pandemic resolves in time for an in-person AUM in June 2021
- Too soon to plan seriously for it, but we can start outlining the procedure

Meetings, Communication, Outreach

Communications

• Nothing on the horizon (no need to plan for Nuclear Physics DC Day 2021 just yet)

Outreach

- Thesis Awards
- Merit Awards
- DNP/APS Committees & Awards
- Representation & Diversity in Physics

Site Access / Science

- Account renewal issues for students renewing visas
- Phased reopening at Phase 2 with progression indefinitely postponed
- STAR needs people for shift and sPHENIX needs people for construction
- Comments from Kathy Nasta

Any Other Business

• Anything else?