

## Minutes of AVS/New England Board Meeting Oct. 9, 2014

### Agenda:

Treasurer's Report  
Planned Activities  
Report of Education Chair /SEW  
Representation at AVS National Board Meeting NYC  
Election of AVSNE Officers of the Board  
Other Business

The AVS/NE board meeting was held at 6PM on MKS Instruments, 6 Shattuck Road, in Andover, MA. Members of the board in attendance (as indicated by the symbol \*\*) were: Cheryl Santarelli, Peter Somssich\*\*, Dick Jacobs\*\*, Jacques LaBrosse, David Diamond, Earl Ada, Bob Childs\*\*, Jim Whitten, Mike Connors and Ravi Rastogi\*\* Guest:

### Treasurer's Report

- Dick J. reported that our bank balance will be ~ \$1600. We shall be expecting to pay ~\$600. for the expenses of our AVS SEW teacher who is traveling to Baltimore for the AVS National Symposium.

### Planned Activities

- The board decided to postpone plans to hold a meeting in either Worcester MA or the Hartford CT area until our Spring 2015 meeting.
- The board is planning to organize a Fall Dinner Meeting in November at Lincoln Labs. Peter agreed to contact Mike C. to ask him to find out if we would be allowed to hold such a meeting at that location. The target dates are Nov.19 or 20. Dick J. mentioned that he may be able to suggest an appropriate speaker for such an event. As soon as Mike C. confirms a location and date, Peter will notify the rest of the board and solicit suggestions for a speaker.

### Report of Education Chair/SEW

- Earl A. has selected a New England teacher to participate in the Science Educators Workshop (SEW) as part of the national AVS Symposium Nov.9-14, 2015 in Baltimore, MD. Since Earl A. was not present, he'll be asked to report to the board at a later meeting.

### Representation at AVS National Board Meeting NYC

- Jim W. represented the AVSNE board at the AVS National Board Meeting in NYC at the end of July. Since Jim W. was not present, he'll be asked to report to the board at a later meeting.

### Election of AVSNE Officers for the Board

- The board agreed that with our new by-laws in place it was time to hold on-line elections for the officers of the board, for 2 year terms. Peter S. will put together the needed information for a call for elections and will ask the AVS national office to mail an announcement of the elections along with a call for nominations. Peter will also appoint members of a Nominating Committee to accept nominations by

Nov.1. The election should be concluded before the end of Dec., so that the newly elected officers can be announced by then and take office on Jan.1, 2015.

**Other Business**

- Ravi R. informed the board that as the result of a job transfer to Oregon, he could not be as active on the board for the next 6 months.

**Submitted by Peter Somssich on Oct. 24, 2014**