

NUFO Administration & Outreach Efforts

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Overview

- History of NUFO
- Current day NUFO
- NUFO administration
- Future NUFO administration
- Ongoing administrative issues
- Discussion

History of NUFO

- NUFO was formed in the early 1990s
 - NSLS, APS, and SSRL
- NUFO in 2000s
 - materials sciences, high-energy, nuclear physics, and nanoscience user facilities in the United States
 - User facility administrators and user organization representatives
 - Expansion prompted by DOE Order 142.3

Current Day NUFO

- NUFO provides a unified voice for a diverse group of nationally-funded user facilities across the United States
 - benefits and significance of research conducted at national user facilities, as well as their needs
- NUFO facilitates communication among users, user organizations, government-funded laboratories
- NUFO seeks to provide a unified message at the national level on issues of funding for science, economic competitiveness, and education for the next-generation scientific workforce

NUFO Administration

- Argonne National Laboratory and Brookhaven National Laboratory have historically worked together administering NUFO
- Currently NUFO web site is hosted by BNL
- Current three list servers are maintained by BNL

NUFO Administration

- List Servers
 - UEC Chairs
 - User Administrators
 - Interested Parties
- Members have unmoderated rights to the list that they reside on
- Outgoing UEC Chairs move to interested parties
- Updated upon request

Future NUFO Administration

- Charter calls for a Steering Committee
 - 3 chairs and 3 administrators
- *New working guidelines*
- *Educate our membership on what is allowable and unallowable*

Ongoing Administration Issues

- New web page
 - .org site
- Outreach contacts
 - Need to be completed
 - Contacts need to be informed
 - Mechanism needed to activate
 - Need to plan for the fall

Ongoing Administration Issues

- Meeting tracking software
 - Effort undertaken by Sacha Kopp
- One-page flyers
 - Need to compile complete list
- NUFO links on facility web pages

DISCUSSION