

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH)
160th Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Summary Proceedings

The Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health meeting convened via teleconference at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT), Dr. Henry A. Anderson, Chair, presiding.

Attendees

Members

Henry A. Anderson, Chair
Josie Beach, Member
Bradley P. Clawson, Member
Arthur Frank, Member
James E. Lockey, Member
David Pompa, Member
Loretta Valerio, Member
Paul Ziemer, Member

Non-Members, Registered and/or Public Comment Participants

Rashaun Roberts, Designated Federal Official
Nancy Adams, NIOSH Contractor
Bob Barton, SC&A
Kathy Behling, SC&A
Ron Buchanan, SC&A
Grady Calhoun, DCAS
Emily Cane, DOL
Rose Gogliotti, SC&A
Amy Mangel, SC&A
Lori Marion-Moss, DCAS
Chuck Nelson, DCAS
John Nowicki (ph)
Steve Ostrow, SC&A

Michael Rafkey, HHS
LaVon Rutherford, DCAS
Tim Taulbee, DCAS
Brant Ush, DCAS
Tim (last name indiscernible), DOD

Roll Call/Welcome - Dr. Rashaun Roberts, DFO

Dr. Rashaun Roberts called to order the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health at 11:00 am EDT on October 9, 2024, via teleconference. A roll call of all ABRWH members confirmed that a quorum was present. The quorum was maintained throughout the meeting. Dr. Roberts turned the meeting over to Dr. Anderson, Board Chair, who moved on to the first agenda item.

Update on Cybersecurity Modernization Initiative – Grady Calhoun, DCAS

Mr. Calhoun reminded attendees that the Site Research Database and the Board Review System are now available through Cyber Ark. Anyone having issues with access should contact Lori Marion-Moss. Work continues on the SEC Viewer and NOCTS. In response to a question from Member Josie Beach, Kathy Behling, SEC, and Lori Marion-Moss, DCAS, reported on the progress being made with using the Board Review System.

Mr. Calhoun also announced that he is retiring in January and Lori Marion-Moss has been selected to be the next DCAS Director. Additionally, Tim Taulbee will retire in March, and Brant Ulsh has been selected to be DCAS's next Associate Director for Science. Ms. Marion-Moss and Dr. Ulsh are serving in understudy positions at this time.

Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) Petition Status Update – Chuck Nelson, DCAS

Mr. Nelson reported that DCAS will not present any new SEC Petition Evaluation Reports at the August Board meeting, but they will present an addendum to the SEC Evaluation Report for Lawrence Livermore National Lab.

Updates from Work Groups and Subcommittees

Selected Work Group and Subcommittee Chairs reported progress and plans for their respective groups. The Savannah River Work Group has met and will likely make a presentation at the next full Board meeting in December. The Pinellas Work Group, SC&A, and DCAS are evaluating the voluminous information provided by Dr. DeGarmo. Several members mentioned the difficulty being encountered by work groups and subcommittees because of the less-than-full participation by new members.

Plans for the December 2024 Board Meeting – Dr. Rashaun Roberts, DFO

The Board plans to meet virtually on December 5, with a closed executive session on December 4 to provide Annual Ethics Training to Board Members. The agenda will include the usual updates from DCAS, DOE, and DOL on program activities and the SEC Petition status update. In addition, DCAS will present the Lawrence Livermore SEC Addendum, and there will be an update from the Savannah River Site Work Group, as

well as from the Subcommittee for Procedures Reviews. Board members suggested a session on transparency be added to the executive session, and Dr. Roberts will approach OGC about that.

Meeting Adjourned

Following a motion, Dr. Anderson adjourned the meeting at 11:32 am.