



*Local Section Committee Meeting*  
Grand Hyatt San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas  
Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 – 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

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Committee Members present – Sama Bilbao y Leon & Tinh Tran

Others present – Ashley Jiminian, Tracy Coyle, Richard Carpenter, Jim Behrens

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### **Business Meeting**

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Tinh Tran, LSC Chair, gave a brief introduction and welcome to the business meeting.

It was determined that a quorum was present.

New Business:

A motion was made to approve beginning dissolution proceedings for the Long Island Local Section.

Motion: Richard Carpenter

Second: Jim Behrens

Approved: Unanimously

Ashley shared the results of the inactive surveys sent out to several local sections this past year.

A motion was made to change the bylaws to allow students to serve as chair/vice chair within a local section.

Motion: Justin

Second: Katherine

### **Workshop**

Tinh Tran, LSC Chair, gave a brief update from the BOD meeting and discussed the drafting of LS executive committee position descriptions.

Tracy Coyle gave her presentation on hosting teacher workshops.

Ashley Jiminian then gave an update on the AMS/new computer system as well as a presentation on the benefits of ANS membership.

“Around the Nation”: Sharing Positive Nuclear News

Rich Carpenter of the PA Local Section gave a presentation entitled “Green Sources of Energy”.

Jim Behrens of the Washington, D.C. Section gave an update on the section’s great progress in connecting with the local student section to provide for potential future local section membership. He anticipates 75 new members to join by the end of July. Last January, they added



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nuclear engineering as a major and about 30 midshipmen a year are coming into the program. The section continues to hold meetings, moving in a positive direction and having ties with the Navy and Air Force. Both membership and motivation is up.

Steve Nesbit of the Piedmont Carolinas Local Section says his section is facing unusual challenges. They have no government organizations or universities to help support membership- all recruitment is done through advertising. They hosted 6 technical programs and 3 outreach events. He is looking for prominent speakers in town that could present to a local section.

Justin Thomas suggested hosting several outreach events (ex. local/regional science fairs and giving out awards to students, college career fairs). He mentioned that few people are willing to organize meetings but many are willing to attend. It was recommended that each local section appoint an executive committee to assist with this issue.

Katherin Goluoglu of the Florida Local Section said her section had hosted 3 dinner meetings. She also mentioned that when they give out a scholarship, they ask the student for a 1-year commitment to their local section.

Tinh Tran of the Savannah River Local Section reports the section has been very active, having had 4 teacher workshops and 8 school talks. He recommends that fun activities draw folks in (ex. trivia nights).

Tinh Tran adjourned the meeting and welcomed members to attend the next meeting in Washington, D.C. in November.