



# NGSC: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: 1 Sep 2023 Time: 11:00 am CST Location: ZOOM

**Meeting Start** 11:03 AM CST

**Item 1:** President's Welcome (Taylor Heath)

- Upcoming election at September General Body meeting!

**Item 2:** Review of Prior Minutes (Jordan Nakayama)

- Previous meeting minutes (August 4th) *passed*
- Attendance for the meeting is as follows:

Executive Position	Name	Attendance Y/N
President	Holly Davies	Y
Vice President	Taylor Heath	Y
Secretary	Jordan Nakayama	Y
Vice Secretary	Julie Elliott	N
Treasurer	Elliot Nichols	Y
Vice Treasurer - Y	Nurullah Bektas	N
Chair Workshop & Mentoring - Y	Jasmine Bekkaye	Y
Vice-Chair Workshop & Mentoring	Olaniyi Afolayan	Y
Chair Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion - Y	Maggie Webb	Y
Vice-Chair Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion	Harman Singh	Y
Chair Research - Y	Taylor Heath	Y
Vice-Chair Research	Rakesh Salunke	N
Chair Networking & Community	Saman Khedmatgozar	N
Vice-Chair Networking & Community	Ashray Saxena	Y
Chair Membership	Faith Nnenanya	N
Vice-Chair Membership	Sasan Dolati	N
Chair Technology & Communication	Niko Grisel Todorov	Y
Vic-Chair Technology & Communication	Mostafa Ebrahimi	N
User Forum Rep - Y	Esteban Villalobos Vega	Y

- Additional member attendance: Sagar Khanal, Liu Chenqiang, M Faraz Athar, Bartik Pandel, Morufu Olalekan, Kira Romero, Oimid Emam, Joe Toland, Mike Uduebor, Urinrin Otite, Casey Oberdick, Shahzad Ahmed Malik India, Ehsan Ahmadi Afzadi, Rajendra Gautam, Md Ashiqur Rahman, Haleh Mehdipour, Mahmoud Abdallah, Arjun, Soolmaz Khoshkalam, Ben, Saanchi Singh Kaushal, Ali Jafari, Chengxin Feng, Samdani Azad, Peter O., Kayla Erler, Jiawen Sun, Alejandro, Daniel Adeleke, Yvonne Dadan, E. Zavala

**Item 3:** Treasurer's Report (Elliott Nichols)

- Proposal Committee Update:

- Meeting Wednesday September 6<sup>th</sup> 3/4:00 PM CST. Elliot will email the committee for the details.
- If you would like to be involved, email Elliot ([enichols9@gatech.edu](mailto:enichols9@gatech.edu)) and Nurullah ([nurullahbektas@hotmail.com](mailto:nurullahbektas@hotmail.com)).

**Item 4:** NHERI Updates (Robin Nelson)

- June 12-14<sup>th</sup> NHERI Summer Institute: NHERI GSC student funding available, application will available later this fall
- Natural Hazards Research Summit: Baltimore, MD May 14-15, there should be funding available for NHERI GSC students

**Item 6:** Working Group Updates (Any or all groups)

DEI:

- Hosting a DEI workshop for NHERI GSC on Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. Emails will be sent out in the coming weeks
  - Cultural competence in natural hazard research

Workshop & Mentoring:

- The Chair position will be available for election this month
  - Previous activities: post-disaster reconnaissance workshop, proposal writing workshop, DesignSafe and SimCenter tools workshop series, academic publishing workshop
  - Used surveys to understand the interests of the students in the membership to then plan and organized the workshops

Research:

- Working on finishing the finalized proceedings for the Mini-conference and creating the DOI
- The Chair position will be available for election this month
  - Previous activities: research challenge, NHERI GSC mini-conference, workshop series (with workshop & mentoring team)
  - Used surveys to understand the interests of the students in the membership to then plan and organized the workshops

Technology & Communication

- The Chair position will be available for election this month
  - Previous activities: building the social media accounts, posting

NHERI User Forum:

- User Forum general survey was sent out and would like responses

**Item 7: AOB (Jordan Nakayama)**

- Discussion & Business on Annual Report:
  - The goal of the annual report is to serve as a document for people who know very little about our organization, they can turn to it and read more about what we do, what we've accomplished, etc. We want the information to be absorbed quickly by readers, not necessarily lengthy discussions on any specific topic.
  - Still missing summaries from the following Standing Committee's: Research, Networking and Community, Membership, Technology and Communication
    - Robin and Tay will complete the Membership's summary
  - Report will be published and shared on September 15<sup>th</sup> at the general body meeting.
- September Officer and Chair Elections:
  - Nomination process: self-nominated or nominated by another
  - You can be nominated for more than one position, but can only accept one position
  - The link for nominations will be shared at the general body meeting and on socials
  - Vice-President special election will also be held this round of elections.
- Next meeting speaker: TBD, Tay will email secretaries with update

**Meeting Close 11:49 AM CST**