## **Education and Community Outreach Committee**

## **Meeting Minutes**

#### February 23, 2021 – 3 pm Central Time via Zoom

https://utsa.zoom.us/j/9013659006

#### 1. Attendance

Stephanie Spilking, (University of North Carolina Chapel Hill – User Forum), Victoria Johnson (United States Naval Academy), Chad Kusko (Lehigh University – ATLSS), Kurtis Gurley (University of Florida – Powell Lab), Pedro Lomonaco (Oregon State University – HWRL), Scott Brandenburg (UCLA – DesignSafe), Erik Salna (Florida International University – Wall of Wind), Trevor Carey (University of California – Davis, CGM), Tricia Clayton (University of Texas, Austin – Mobile Shakers), Laura Lowes (University of Washington – RAPID), Karina Vielma (University of Texas, San Antonio – NHERI ECO), Robin Nelson (University of Texas, San Antonio – NHERI ECO)

# 2. ECO Updates

- REU Selection & Welcome
  - Format
  - Number of Students
  - Housing Contact Information
  - Mentor Contact Information
- Summer Institute
- EERI Post-Conference Videos
- Broader Impacts

## 3. ACTION ITEM: REU Selection

The REU Application closed on February 17, 2021 and NHERI ended up with 92 applications. The REU Selection Excel Spreadsheet and REU Applicant folders were shared electronically with each site's ECO Committee Members. We aim to announce our REU selections by March 5, 2021. Other important REU dates include Block 1, June 2-August 10, Block 2, June 14-August 20, and REU Virtual Research Symposium, August 9 & 10.

Please respond as soon as possible with the following information:

- 1. Format
- 2. Number of students your site can host
- 3. A housing contact if hosting face-to-face REU for the welcome letter.
- 4. A mentor contact for the REU welcome letter.

## 4. NHERI Summer Institute

Currently, we have 30 applications and have extended the travel award application deadline until March 3, 2021. The NHERI Summer Institute for Early-Career Faculty will be a hybrid/virtual event on June 15-17, 2021. We plan to use PheedLoop to host the virtual aspects of the event.

## 5. ACTION ITEM: EERI Post-Conference Ideas

The EERI Session 1 Post-Conference workshop hosted by NHERI ECO will include all eleven NHERI Sites; however, due to time constraints of the workshop (2 hours) we would like to create videos for each site that are 2 minutes or less. Each site would need to provide the following information in their video or answer the questions so the ECO can create each video. The information must be provided by March 1 if the ECO is to develop the video.

- Site name, image(s)/audio or video
- Site location, image(s)/audio or video
- Site area of research (WIND, EARTHQUAKE, etc.), image(s)/audio or video
- Site purpose, image(s)/audio or video
- Site resources (equipment/testing that can be completed at site), image(s)/audio or video
- An example of NSF research conducted at your site, images/audio and or video
- Important additional content

#### 6. ACTION ITEM: Broader Impacts

Please complete the Broader Impact Excel Spreadsheet to allow us to support you in your efforts as well as redesign the DesignSafe Teacher & Student Resource page: <u>https://utsacloud-</u>

my.sharepoint.com/:x:/g/personal/robin\_nelson\_utsa\_edu/Ec1vmsYx9wBEj\_UTL Pkp2kgBHr3S-y-DnnO9sB0Mrz0T3w?e=yUNzaR

#### 7. New Business

Next NHERI ECO meeting: March 31, at 3:00 pm CT.

#### 8. Adjourn