

MEETING OF THE NHERI USER FORUM COMMITTEE
Aug 19, 2024

MINUTES

Attending: Maggie, Antonio, Esteban, Stephanie Paal, Stephanie Pilkington, Yazen, Wei

1. Approval of meeting minutes from May 17, 2024 and June 14, 2024.

Wei made the motion to approve and Yazen seconded the motion. The minutes of July are approved.

2. Report from Graduate Students Council

Last Thursday, Esteban sent out a message prepared by Maggie to encourage the graduate students to participate in the user satisfaction survey.

3. Report from User Satisfaction Survey committee

(a) Maggie commented that it was a good strategy for sending out that message to graduate students. The number of survey respondents has increased to 56 now.

(b) Maggie has drafted a message as recruiting material to encourage the NHERI PIs to participate in the user survey. We plan to wait to send it out when the PIs return from the summer break. We will also consider to extend the deadline (currently Sep. 2, 2024) if needed.

(c) Anotio suggests either Wei or Mohammad attend the NCO meeting this coming Friday to remind NCO about encouraging the PIs to participate.

(d) Maggie indicated that we can send out follow-up emails to the PIs to encourage the survey turnout.

4. Report from NCO representatives

NCO will have a meeting this coming Friday and possibly will discuss some information regarding the recently released DCL (NSF Support for Natural Hazards Engineering Research Infrastructure (NHERI) during FY 2026-FY 2035).

5. Report from ECO representatives

No update on ECO and the next meeting will take place on next Wednesday.

6. Report from Facilities Scheduling representatives

A written update from Kameshwar indicates that “the NCO will have booths and travel funds for attending the AGU meeting”.

7. Report from Technology Transfer representatives

No updates.

8. Report from Communication and Outreach Subcommittee

The International ShakeOut Day is Oct. 17. The Communication subcommittee is planning to launch a campaign by reaching out to facilities and see if they have materials for us to post in social media.

9. Other discussions

None

The meeting adjourned at 1:21pm Central Time.