

NHERI NCO-ECO Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: September 18, 2025

Time: 2:00-3:00 pm CT

Zoom link: <https://utsa.zoom.us/j/9013659006>

I. Attendance

Matt Schoettler (*University of California, Berkeley—SimCenter*), Rachel Adams (*University of Colorado, Boulder—CONVERGE*), Lelli Van Den Einde (*University of California, San Diego—LHPOST6*), Scott Brandenburg (*University of California, Los Angeles—DesignSafe*), Tricia Clayton (*University of Texas at Austin—Wake Forest University—LMS*), Joe Saunders (*Lehigh University—RTMD*), Amal Elawady (*Florida International University—WoW*), Robin Nelson (*University of Texas at San Antonio—NCO*), Karina Vielma (*University of Texas at San Antonio—NCO*)

II. Approval of June minutes- tabled until October

III. Reports

a. Flagship programs

- i. NSF REU site proposal – Karina
- ii. Mini-Summer Institute – Karina
 1. First week in June- a day and a half
 2. Different format
 3. Lelli, Joe, support but not travel, virtual support. Scott suggested reaching out to Tim Cockerill for DS.
 4. Will there be a solicitation by June
- iii. New GSC officers – Robin
- iv. Data (REU, Summer Institute, NHERI GSC) – Robin

b. Research – Karina

- i. Lelli – possible collaborations, how much we'll be involved
- ii. Sites support educational based, curriculum
- iii. We could serve the sites, related to education
- iv. Tricia – research (not sure what the involvement will look like)

IV. New business

a. REU student research products: Data Depot publishing – Karina

- i. Scott – co-op in bioengineering/bio tech company. Protected technologies.
- ii. Expectation that student will publish something.
- iii. Let PIs know. Students are expected to publish.

- iv. Set up a project that's private and not publish it. Embargo option.
 - v. Redact information?
 - vi. Work with Maria and come up with a different system for REU submissions.
 - vii. Don't know how DesignSafe works. Every DesignSafe project has a PI (author). (username for publishing)
 - viii. Need different scenarios. Document the process.
 - ix. DesignSafe is configured. Must know exact username to connect. PI is in agreement, they can be added.
 - x. Can't reserve a DOI. Can release a DOI.
 - xi. Know from the get-go what the procedures are.
- b. No cost extension – Karina
- i. Support needed?
 1. In order for sites to align, Q&A session will help.
 2. We are here to support the summer institute.
 3. We as a community should serve as a resource as they submit proposals. (curriculum, pedagogy, etc.)
 4. Meeting –
 5. NCE – Scott & Sara will be in the meetings. Will we have funding to send people to summer Institute?
 6. Amal: Willing to help with educational focused and broader impact papers
 7. Tricia: Willing to assist in data analysis and paper preparation
- c. Other

V. Unfinished business

- a. Need to wrap up OSU REU Symposium financials

VI. Announcements

- a. ECO Committee representative feedback – Karina
- b. Committee announcements – ECO Representatives
- c. Event dates
 - i. Natural Hazards Workshop – June 14-17, 2016
 - ii. ASEE – June 21-24, 2026

VII. Adjournment