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Members Present:

Henry Anderson, Chair
Josie Beach, Member
Genevieve Roessler, Member

Also Present:

Rashaun Roberts, Designated Federal Official
Tim Adler, ORAU
Bob Barton, SC&A
Finn Black, SC&A
Ron Buchanan, SC&A
Grady Calhoun, DCAS
Joe Fitzgerald, SC&A
Joe Guido, ORAU
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Stephen Pittman, ORAU
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(12:30 p.m.)

Welcome and Roll Call

Dr. Roberts: My chime just went off, and I know the court reporter's already on, so I just want to wish everyone a good afternoon or good morning, whichever it is for you, and to welcome everyone to the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health.

This is a meeting of the Sandia Work Group. I'm Rashaun Roberts. I'm DFO for the Board. There's an agenda for today. You can find it on the NIOSH website, under March, 2022.

Since Board Members who have conflicts with regard to this can't sit on this particular Work Group, there should be no conflict of interest for any of the Work Group Members. As I go through the roll call, then that piece is covered for the Work Group Members, but other staff do need to state whether or not they have any relevant conflicts as I move through the roll call.

So without further delay, let me get to the roll call for the Work Group Members, starting with Anderson.

(Roll call.)

Dr. Roberts: All right. With that settled, let me ask if there are any members of the public who would like to register their attendance?

Hearing none, I just want to say thank you and welcome to everyone for being here for today's meeting.

There are a couple of things that we need to do before I give the floor over to Dr. Anderson, who's the Chair of the workgroup, but assuming that we're going to move forward with this meeting, in order to keep everything running smoothly and so that

everybody can be clearly understood, everyone please mute your Zoom or your phone when you're not speaking.

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The agenda and the presentations, background documents, etc., that are relevant to today's meeting can be found on the NIOSH DCAS website, and all of these materials, for your information, were sent to the Board Members and to staff prior to the meeting.

With that, Andy, I'll go ahead and turn it over to you, and see where we are.

Chair Anderson: Grady, are we able to start with two NIOSH presentations with the overview of the 188 SEC for Sandia National Laboratories? Do you have anyone can do that?

Dr. Taulbee: This is Tim. I can go through Chuck's slides. However, it's really going through the slides, and if you have detailed questions I may not be able to answer them from that standpoint.

So I'm not sure if you want to go through with that, which I certainly can do from that standpoint, but just recognize that we are missing our lead for this site at this time. I leave it up to you all.

Member Beach: I kind of wonder if we shouldn't be postponing.

Chair Anderson: Yeah, that's what I'm thinking.

(Simultaneous speaking.)

Chair Anderson: To do the presentation and be an hour in, and have some questions.

Member Beach: It seems like we would just be spinning our wheels and then end up having to go through maybe again.

Mr. Calhoun:: Yeah. I didn't want to try to cancel anything until I spoke to y'all in person, since it just happened. And it seems to me like you're right. We can either do it once later, or do it once now and once again. I know there's difficulties with rescheduling.

Chair Anderson: Do you have any hope that they might be available in an hour?

Mr. Calhoun:: It's possible. I just texted Bomber, and I can ask.

Mr. Rutherford: This is Lavon Rutherford. I am here. Chuck is definitely not going to be available. That's for sure. They're running tests, he's still at the hospital. I just ran back from the hospital. I would say that I could step in for him too, but I'm, honestly, a little bit shaky myself.

Chair Anderson: I think we better delay it then, or try to reschedule, because we also have quite a few others on the line, and to say let's come back or start. Chuck is clearly not going to be available today.

Mr. Rutherford: He's definitely not going to be available today.

Chair Anderson: Then maybe we ought to go ahead. Any others have comments? I think we ought to postpone.

Member Beach: I agree.

Member Roessler: I agree.

Chair Anderson: Sorry, Rashaun.

Dr. Roberts: Oh, no, not at all. I'm sorry to hear about the reason. I hope he's okay. Should we do

this, wait to see what happens and then I can reach out to the Work Group Members and try to get this back on the books as soon as possible. How does that sound?

Member Beach: That sounds reasonable.

Chair Anderson: Yeah, I think that's good.

Dr. Roberts: Okay, well, best wishes, and if there's anything I can do, please let me know.

Member Beach: Bomber, hopefully you'll be okay, too.

Mr. Rutherford: Yeah, everything's -- I can report back that so far everything's looking good.

Dr. Roberts: So how should we leave this? Should I just wait to hear from you, so then we can get the dates and everything?

Mr. Rutherford: I think you can, yeah, you can wait. I'll shoot you an email if we kind of figure things out, but I'm sure we can get it scheduled right away.

Dr. Roberts: Okay, great. Well, sorry, everybody. Andy, did you have anything else?

Chair Anderson: I was going to say, Board Members, do you have anything coming up? Hopefully nobody's going to be away for a month or so.

Member Beach: No, no.

Chair Anderson: I mean, with travel opening up. So let's just wait, Rashaun. Let us know and we'll try to schedule the first available time for everyone.

Adjourn

Dr. Roberts: Will do. Okay, have a great day, everyone.

(Whereupon, the above-entitled matter went off the record at 12:41 p.m.)