

ANREP Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – September 15, 2003

**In attendance:** Jim Johnson, Ben Jackson, Joe Schaefer, Scott Reed, Deborah Hill, Vivian Simon Brown, Mindy Habecker

**National ANREP meeting** – Jim Johnson. We have a low number of abstracts to date – recommends to the group to extend the deadline date to October 15, 2003. What can we do to get more interest in submitting abstracts.

VSB: “Ask members to contact more folks. Joe: How about we put together a one page flyer for the Galaxy conference. Joe will also write a letter and get more information out on listservs. Regional representatives could also assist with this effort. Dave Waterman then talked about our obligations for meeting the required room nights (500). If we meet this our room charges will be waived.

**Regional JCEP meetings** – Joe is working on this along with the regional representatives and ESP. The dates have been set and the program is looking great with lots of involvement from ECOP. Dates and locations are as follows:

- Northeastern Region, January 29-31: Baltimore , MD
- Southern Region, February 1-3: Atlanta, GA
- Western Region, February 19-21: Las Vegas, NV
- North-Central Region February 22-24: Chicago, IL

**New Officers:** Jim Reeb with OSU will be the Western Representative to help. The Southern Representative will be Marella Crane. Janean Creighton will be President-Elect. Deborah Hill was re-elected Treasurer. An announcement went out to the membership on this already according to Bill.

**Galaxy:** Things are shaping up for Galaxy this year with close to 2000 registered. Scott Reed will be facilitating the Membership meeting on Sunday afternoon. We will also have a Breakfast meeting on Thursday morning. ANREP numbers are down but this is what we expected. Scott went through the agenda.

**Conference Bid Letter:** We next discussed the letter that we are designing with the protocol to attract conference bids. We discussed the RFP process. The question was asked as to whether this was mute because Alaska seemed like they were willing to host the next meeting. The Board agreed that indeed this was not the case and that Alaska, like any other submitting organization will have to follow the protocol and procedures outlined in the bid letter. This letter will go out before the next conference.

Conference was adjourned at approximately 1:00 pm. EST.