

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH)
Meeting 152
Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Summary Proceedings

The Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health meeting convened via teleconference at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT), Dr. Henry A. Anderson, Chair, presiding.

Attendees

Members

Henry A. Anderson, Chair
Josie Beach, Member
Victoria Cassano, Member
Bradley P. Clawson, Member
Arthur Frank, Member
David Kotelchuck, Member
James E. Lockey, Member
Nicole Martinez, Member
David Pompa, Member
Genevieve S. Roessler, Member
Loretta R. Valerio, Member
Paul L. Ziemer, Member

Non-Members, Registered and/or Public Comment Participants:

Roberts, Rashaun, DFO
Barton, Bob, SC&A
Buchanan, Ron, SC&A
Calhoun, Grady, DCAS
Gogliotti, Rose, SC&A
Habighurst, Ashton, HHS
Mangel, Amy, SC&A
Ostrow, Steve, SC&A
Denise Degarmo, member of the public

Roll Call/Welcome - Dr. Rashaun Roberts, DFO

Dr. Rashaun Roberts called to order the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health at 11:00 am EST on June 14, 2023, via teleconference. A roll call of all ABRWH members confirmed that a quorum was present. The quorum was maintained throughout the meeting. Dr. Roberts turned the meeting over to Dr. Anderson, Board Chair, who moved on to the first agenda item.

Update on Cybersecurity Modernization Initiative – Grady Calhoun, DCAS

Mr. Calhoun reported progress has been made in restoring a document search application to replace the Site Research Database. Angela Shepherd, NIOSH, will contact Rose Gogliotti, SC&A, shortly to point out where documents are stored and to explain the existing search capability. Mr. Calhoun said that the new application is not as fast as SRDB was, but it at least restores some document search capability. Other efforts include a claim tracking application to replace NOCTS, and an application to replace the Board Review System. NOCTS is NIOSH's claim tracking system, and the Board Review system application records discussions of technical document reviews conducted by various Subcommittees and Work Groups.

Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) Petition Status Update – Chuck Nelson, DCAS

Mr. Nelson reported that DCAS will not present any new SEC Petition Evaluation Reports at the August Board meeting. He noted that a data capture site visit to Idaho National Laboratory is scheduled for June 26 to 30. Some Work Group members will participate in that visit.

Updates from Work Groups and Subcommittees

Since none of the new Board members were able to attend recent sessions where individual dose reconstruction reviews were discussed, Dr. Anderson suggested that it would be helpful to provide them a training session on dose reconstruction methods and reviews. Rose Gogliotti, SC&A, will work Dr. Roberts to schedule the training session and DCAS will also participate. Work Group and Subcommittee Chairs reported progress and plans for their respective groups.

Plans for the August 2023 Board Meeting – Dr. Rashaun Roberts, DFO

The August meeting will be a one-day meeting on August 16. Several members are unable to travel for this meeting, so it will be a hybrid meeting. The in-person component will be at the Doubletree by Hilton in Augusta, Georgia, while the virtual component will be on Zoom. Board members will inform Dr. Roberts whether they will attend the meeting in person or virtually. The Subcommittee for Procedures Reviews

will report on completed document reviews, and there will be updates from the Savannah River Site and Metals & Controls Work Groups.

Meeting Adjourned

Dr. Anderson adjourned the meeting at 11:59 am.