CHP Corner



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Exam Site Committee Activities

Sean Murphy, CHP, Chair

The Exam Site Committee is responsible for securing examination sites for candidates who are sitting for the American Board of Health Physics (ABHP) examinations. Each year we contact prospective sites, secure certified health physicists (CHPs) to act as proctors, and ensure the rules for taking the exams are understood by the proctors.

The committee is composed of four members: the chairperson (me), Adel Baryoun, Jeff Bruner, and Brad Serfas. Jeff and Brad are our newest members, joining us in 2016. Also, Josip Zic and Chris Graham are leaving the committee this year. Thank you Chris, Jeff, Brad, Josip, Sean, and Adel—your contributions are vital to the continuation of our certification process.

The committee apparently also conducts emergency operations! On Friday, 15 July 2016, one site called the chairperson and told him that the prearranged room could not be used; they lost all electrical power. We had three days to find a new facility. Following a few well-placed phone calls and some crafty emergency budget changes, a new room was obtained. A fine story of great committee teamwork!

For the 2016 exam, we established 19 examination sites within the United States, Europe, and Canada. There were a total of 246 exams given: 152 for Part I and 94 for Part II.

The committee would like to recognize and give a special thank you to all of our proctors (which numbered over 50) and to the organizations that agreed to host the examinations. Your outstanding dedication and support ensured that the 2016 ABHP examination process was a success.

If you think your area would make a good spot for future exams, please <u>contact me</u> (as the current chair of the committee).



ABHP EXAM APPLICATION REMINDER

The time is NOW! Applications to take either part of the 2016 ABHP examination must be filed with the Secretariat, and postmarked **no later than 15 January 2017**.

Application information may be found here.

An Update From Our Parliamentarian

Jim Stafford, CHP, Parliamentarian

The standard operating procedures (SOPs) of the American Academy of Health Physics (AAHP) are reviewed periodically. Changes are proposed and approved during meetings of the AAHP Executive Committee.

There are 50 SOPs that guide the operations of the AAHP, and over the past several months all have been reviewed and revised. The main change that was made (in the vast majority of the SOPs) was a change in the title of the position that Nancy Johnson currently holds from "Executive Secretary" to "Executive Director."

The revised SOPs are available in the <u>Members Only section of the AAHP website</u>. (Note: your AAHP user ID and password will be needed to access this area of the website.)