

# January 29-30, 2024 Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Full Board Meeting Summary Doubletree Hotel, Augusta, GA

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# Monday January 29 Attendance

#### **CAB** Attendees

Phyllis Britt	Michelle Bush	Juanita Campbell
Carlos Cato	Kandace Cave	Donald Colson
Deandre Davis	Carolyn Fortson	Jim Guille
Charles Hilton, Vice Chair	Ruth Hollingsworth	Narinder Malik
Gregg Murray, CAB Chair	Rana O'Bryant	Kim Ray
Steve Riley	Kenneth Sajwan	Sade Shofidiya
John Thomas	Hubert Van Tuyll	Bobbie Williams

\*Absent Members in yellow

#### **SRS** Personnel

Avery Hammett, DOE-SR	Amy Boyette, DOE-SR
Chris O'Neil, SRNL	Jimmy McMillian, DOE-SR
Edwin DeShong, DOE-SR	Karen Morrow, DOE-SR
Khari Bell, DOE-SR	Philip Defoggi, S&K Logistics
Mtesa Wright, SRNS	John Clark, DOE-SR
	Chris O'Neil, SRNL Edwin DeShong, DOE-SR Khari Bell, DOE-SR

### SRS CAB Support Staff (S&K Logistics)

Audrey Barron,	Heather McWilliams, Meeting	
<b>Communications Coordinator</b>	Coordinator	

### **Agency Liaisons & Public**

Greg O'Quinn, SC DHEC	Susan Fulmer. SC DHEC	Heather Cathcart, SC DHEC
Jon Richards, EPA	Madeleine Kellett, SC DHEC	Jana Dawson, EPA
Brianne Martin, EPA	Shelly Stancil, DNR	Hannah Herlong, SC DHEC



### Meeting Summary SRS CAB – Full Board Meeting Doubletree Hotel, Augusta, GA January 29, 2024

Meeting began at 1:00 PM Eastern Standard Time

# Meeting Rules: James Tanner, CAB Facilitator

Mr. Tanner welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr. Tanner asked all individuals in the u-shape to announce their name if they have a title with the Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) or include their title.

# Chair Update: Gregg Murray, CAB Chair

SRS CAB Chair Gregg Murray welcomed the board. Mr. Murray noted this would be his last CAB meeting as chair and as a member. He thanked the SRS CAB Support Team for all their hard work for six years. Mr. Murray highlighted his favorite memories as a board member and was grateful for the experience. Mr. Murray then let Vice Chair Charles Hilton say a few words for his last meeting. Mr. Hilton enjoyed his three terms as a CAB member. He has taken on several roles with the board, and he felt like his work made a difference. Mr. Hilton thanked DOE and the CAB Support Staff for their hard work.

Mr. Murray reviewed the Draft Recommendation on Artificial Intelligence which might be voted on tomorrow. Mr. Murray encouraged board members to ask questions to the presenters.

# Site Manager Update

Michael Budney, Manager of DOE-SR, gave the update on current SRS events. Mr. Budney included information the budget, contracts, key projects, liquid waste, and the Savannah River Site National Laboratory (SRNL).

# **Agency Updates**

Jon Richards with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) gave an update on current EPA projects at the site. Susan Fulmer and Grace Anne Martin reviewed all current South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SC DHEC) projects.

# Subcommittee Updates

Each committee chair provided an update on recent work and upcoming recommendations.

# 2024 Work Plan Topics for Consideration: Aver Hammett (DOE-SR), Curt Gardner (DOE-SR), and John Clark (DOE-SR)

The presentation covered the subcommittee topics which the board will work on in the upcoming membership year. Three subcommittees point-of-contacts (POCs) were present to discuss the information. Avery Hammett discussed the topics for Facilities Disposition and Site Remediation Subcommittee. John Clark present topics for the Waste Management Subcommittee. Curt Gardener talked about topics for the Nuclear Materials Subcommittee. The three POCs answered questions on the topics.



### **Board Business**

Mr. Murray and Sade Shofidiya reviewed the proposed Draft Recommendation: Implementation of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Leaning Program Model for Decommissioning Process Enhancement. Ms. Shofidiya highlighted how artificial intelligence could be utilized at SRS.

### **Public Comments**

No public comments were made.

### **Closing Remarks**

Mr. Murray thanked everyone for a great first and was looking to the presentations on the agenda tomorrow.

Meeting recessed at 4:19 PM EST



# Tuesday January 30 Attendance

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Gregg Murray, CAB Chair	Rana O'Bryant	Kim Ray	
Steve Riley	Kenneth Sajwan	Sade Shofidiya	
John Thomas	Hubert Van Tuyll	Bobbie Williams	
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### **SRS Personnel**

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James Tanner, Federal	Avery Hammett, DOE-SR	Amy Boyette, DOE-SR	
Coordinator DOE-SR			
Mike Budney, DOE-SR	Larry Romanowski, SRMC	Kent Rosenberger, SRMC	
Gene Rhodes, SREL	Larry Ling, SRMC	Karen Morrow, DOE-SR	
Curt Gardener, DOE-SR	Khari Bell, DOE-SR	James Thurell, SRNS	
Jim Folk, DOE-SR	John Clark, DOE-SR		

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# Meeting Rules: James Tanner, CAB Facilitator

Mr. Tanner welcomed everyone back for the second day of the January meeting. Mr. Tanner encouraged board members to ask questions as the presentations go on.

### Savannah River Ecology Laboratory: Annual Update: Dr. Gene Rhodes, SREL

Dr. Gene Rhodes with the Savannah River Ecology Laboratory (SREL) provided a program overview of SREL at SRS. Dr. Rhodes explained the mission of SREL, staffing, funding, work scope, significant events, opportunities in Fiscal Year (FY) 2024, and challenges for FY2024. Dr. Rhodes highlighted SREL Education Program has produced more than 600 theses and dissertations. Dr. Rhodes answered questions from board members.

# Cybersecurity Program: Lewann Belton, DOE-SR

Lewann Belton, DOE-SR, gave a presentation on cybersecurity. Mr. Belton gave a background on cyber security and how it impacts everyday life. Mr. Belton explain phishing, spoofing, data breaches, and malware. Mr. Belton discussed what steps SRS Cybersecurity team take to keep SRS safe. Mr. Belton and Mike Budney answered questions from board members.

# Waste Tank Closure Process- Initial Stages: Larry Romanowski (SRMC)

Larry Romanowski with Savannah River Mission Complete (SRMC) provided an overview of the RS liquid waste tank closure process. The presentation focused on the new Preliminary Cease Waste Removal Federal Facility Agreement milestones. Mr. Romanowski and Jim Folk (DOE-SR) answered questions from board members.

# F/H Laboratory Deactivation Project Update: Trey Gilland, SRNS

Trey Gilland with Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) presented a project update on F/H Laboratory Deactivation. Mr. Gilland gave a timeline from when the project was initiated in FY2018 to consolidate laboratory functions and transition activities and personnel from F/H to SRNL. Mr. Gilland discussed the remaining scope from FY2024 TO FY2027. Mr. Gilland and Mike Budney answered board member questions.

# Accelerated Basin De-Inventory Non-Aluminum Spent Nuclear Fuel Update: James Therrell, SRNS

James Therrell, SRNS, presented information on Non-Aluminum Spent Nuclear Fuel. Mr. Therrell described the organization of the fuel inventory at SRS and highlighted the major characteristics. Mr. Therrell discussed some of the long-term activities ongoing at SRS. Mr. Therrell answered board member questions.

# **Public Comment**

No public comments.



### **Board Business:**

Mr. Hilton motioned for the vote Draft Recommendation: Implementation of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Leaning Program Model for Decommissioning Process. The motion was seconded by Donald Colson. Vote passed unanimously.

### **Closing Remarks**

James Tanner thanked the departing board members for their service to the community. Mike Budney presentation signed letters to Greggy Murray, Charles Hilton, and Bobbie Williams. The three board members received a watercolor postcard of H-Canyon. Mr. Murray said he knew Phyllis Britt and Kandace Cave would do an excellent job in the roles of Chair and Vice Chair.

Meeting adjourned at 2:58 pm EST