

MINUTES FROM ANS-CARLSBAD 14 MAY 2026 BUSINESS MEETING:

ANS-C 2026-2027 ELECTIONS

Plans to hold elections during the month of June include:

A. Candidates:

- a. Chair - Current Vice Chair Jef automatically proceeds to Chair
- b. Vice Chair – Justin Wilgus volunteered, any other volunteers?
- c. Treasurer – Jef is incumbent. Any other volunteers?
- d. Secretary – Any volunteers? (only if nobody else volunteers, Jerry will)
- e. Volunteers please reply back to the monthly update or contact anyone on the ANS-C board (Seth, Jef or Jerry) prior to 31 MAY so Seth can get you on the ballot.
- f. If you see the need for another position you wish to volunteer for, please reply back to this monthly update or contact anyone on the ANS-C board.

B. Identify on-line system for voting – Seth plans to have a path forward by 01 JUNE.

C. Arrangements for voting – The ANS C board will inform Friends of ANS-C when the on-line voting system is identified.

WIPP BUSINESS

The 45-day comment period for the permit modification proposed by NMED ends 08 JUNE. Because there is much interest, this deadline may be extended – For anyone interested, marked-up permit documents are available at:

<https://www.env.nm.gov/hazardous-waste/wipp/>. Scroll down to “WIPP News 2026 April 23” for links to affected portions of the permit.

FINANCES

Update on ANS-C finances – Jef:

Existing ANS-C resources are mainly residuals from a portion of the fees from 2005 and 2017 topical meetings in Carlsbad on WIPP. ANS-National terminated Local Section dues and that income for local sections several years ago.

Annual expenses are primarily for the \$1,000 annual scholarship and the anscarlsbad.org website. Excluding refreshments for presentations and events the expenses total about \$1,500 per year. Donations of a modest amount have slightly

offset these expenses. If the current rate of expenditures and donations continues, funding should be adequate through 2030 or beyond.

ANS NATIONAL

- A. Documentation and submittals required by ANS-National – Jef will prepare and submit by the 30 JUNE required date.
- B. ANS-National conferences – Open to ANS National members.
- C. Fuel Waste and Decommissioning Consensus Committee (FWDC) standards committee – Jef attends as scheduled. Please contact him if you wish to join.

ANS-C ACTIVITIES

Planned chapter reinvigoration efforts:

- A. Anyone wishing to make a presentation, lead a tour, participate in a STEM or other event please contact anyone on the ANS-C board – Jerry will include reminders in the ANS-C monthly updates.
- B. Request to be notified of group tours and visitors to WIPP who may be interested in making a presentation – Jerry will contact PR and/or Outreach persons.
 - a. Presentations – Seth and Justin will evaluate providing an update on modelling they provide. Others who wish to volunteer please reply back to this monthly update or contact anyone on the ANS-C board.
- C. Provide the recently updated Friends of ANS-C list to those on distribution (names only - Not contact information) with a new column on the list to show affiliations (i.e. Contractors, LANL, SENMC, SIMCO, SNL) and roles – Jerry will include the list in the JUNE ANS-C monthly update with a request for those who wish to include affiliation information to reply.
- D. Contact ANS-National members who show and affiliation with ANS-C, but who are not currently on ANS-C distribution (typically URENCO employees) to see if they want to be added to distribution – Jerry.

ANS-C WEBSITE

- A. The anscarlsbad.org: website - Greg Sahd will continue updates and maintenance.
- B. Update for this year's events including the 2026 URENCO and WCS tours, the scholarship, minutes from this meeting and other items – Jerry will coordinate with Greg.

ANS-C SCHOLARSHIP

The 2025-2026 scholarship – Seth presented it to Dempsey Folsom who plans to major in environmental science at the Carlsbad Foundation ceremony 20 APR at the Carlsbad high school's new Performing Arts Center.

ANS-C plans to continue working through the Carlsbad Foundation to provide a 2026-2027 annual \$1,000 ANS-C scholarship. See your anscarlsbad.org website for more information – Donations can be made through the Carlsbad Foundation or the anscarlsbad.org website.