

Biological and Environmental Research Advisory Committee (BERAC) Meeting
February 18-19, 2009
Bethesda North Marriott

Wednesday, February 18, 2009

- 8:30 – 9:00 Annual Mandatory Ethics Briefing for all BERAC members
DOE General Counsel for BERAC
- 9:00 – 9:15 Welcome & Introductions
Michelle Broido, BERAC Chair
- 9:15 – 10:15 Anna Palmisano, Associate Director of Science for Biological and Environmental Research (BER)
- 10:15 – 10:30 BREAK
- 10:30 – 11:30 BER Division Updates
- Sharlene Weatherwax, Director, Biological Systems Science Division
 - Wanda Ferrell, Acting Director, Climate & Environmental Sciences Division
- 11:30 – 12:00 BER Climate Sciences Strategic Plan
Jeff Amthor, Program Manager, Climate and Environmental Sciences Division
- 12:00 – 12:30 BER Response to Life & Medical Sciences Division COV Report
Sharlene Weatherwax, Director, Biological Systems Science Division
- 12:30 – 2:00 LUNCH ON YOUR OWN
- 2:00 – 3:00 Martin Keller, BioEnergy Science Center (BESC)
- 3:00 – 4:00 Workshop reports
- Sustainability – A Joint Workshop with USDA (John Houghton, Program Manager, Biological Systems Science Division)
 - Radiochemistry and Imaging (Prem Srivastava, Program Manager, Biological Systems Science Division)
- 4:00 – 4:15 BREAK
- 4:15 – 5:15 Workshop reports (continued)
- Extreme Scale Computing Workshop – Climate – A Joint Workshop with the Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research (Warren Washington, BERAC)
 - ARM Science and ARM Facilities (Wanda Ferrell, Acting Director Climate and Environmental Sciences Division)
- 5:15 – 5:30 Public Comment and adjourn

Thursday, February 19, 2009

8:30 – 9:00 Joint Genome Institute Strategic Planning
Eddy Rubin, Director

9:00 – 10:00 Tim Killeen
NSF Assistant Director for the Geosciences

10:00 – 10:15 BREAK

10:15 – 10:30 BER's 20-Year Planning Horizon: Science Needs for DOE and the Nation in 2029
and Beyond
Anna Palmisano, Associate Director of Science for BER

10:30 – 12:00 BERAC Discussion of Strategy for Developing a 20-Year Planning Horizon for BER
Michelle Broido, BERAC Chair

12:00 – 12:15 New Business

12:15 – 12:30 Public Comment and adjourn