

Standards Board (SB) Virtual Meeting

January 28, 2025

Attended	Voting Member Name	Role	Company
X	Todd Anselmi	Vice Chair (2023) At-Large (2026)	Idaho National Laboratory
X	Robert Becse	At-Large (2025)	Westinghouse Electric Company LLC
X	Robert Budnitz	At-Large (2026)	Consultant
	Jennifer Call	At-Large (2027)	Tennessee Valley Authority
X	Brandon Chisholm	At-Large (2026)	Southern Company
X	Michelle French	Ex-Officio	Westinghouse Government Services
X	Gale Hauck	Ex-Officio	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
X	Dennis Henneke	Ex-Officio	Individual
X	Mark Joseph	Ex-Officio	Navarro Research & Engineering
X	Robert Kalantari	At-Large (2025)	Engineering Planning & Management, Inc.
X	Jean-Francois "Jef" Lucchini	Ex-Officio	Los Alamos National Laboratory
X	Leah Parks for Carl Mazzola	Ex-Officio	Los Alamos National Laboratory
X	Benjamin Parks	At-Large (2027)	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
X	Frances "Frankie" Pimentel	At-Large (2026)	Nuclear Energy Institute
	Andrew Smetana	Ex-Officio	Individual
x	Andrew Sowder	Chair (2023) At-Large (2026)	Electric Power Research Institute
x	Kent Welter	At-Large (2026)	NuScale Power
x	Larry Wetzell	Ex-Officio	Individual
16	16/18 Votes = 88.89% Participation		
Attended	Nonvoting Observers, Liaisons, and Guests Name	Role	Company
X	Amir Afzali	Observer	Individual
X	Jarvis Caffrey	HPS Liaison	NASA
X	George Flanagan	Observer	Individual
X	Steven Krahn	Observer/RP3C Chair	Vanderbilt University
X	Madhumita Sircar	ACI Liaison	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

1. Welcome and Roll Call

SB Chair Andrew Sowder called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was established.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

3. SB Chair Remarks

A. Meeting Purpose

Andrew Sowder explained that today's meeting was scheduled to review the revised Strategic, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Time-related (SMART) Matrix. The SMART Matrix is a companion piece to the Standards Committee Strategic Plan (referred to hereout as the "Plan") used as a means to ensure that the Plan is fulfilled. The SMART Matrix needs to be updated to align with the goals and objectives of the revised Plan.

B. Other remarks

No other remarks were made.

4. Review of SMART Matrix

Todd Anselmi reminded members that a draft of the revised SMART Matrix was briefly reviewed at the Standards Board's November 19, 2024, meeting. A summary of changes was provided. The Plan previously had buried actions that were moved to the SMART Matrix. The Plan was simplified from five to four goals. Some of the action on the previous SMART Matrix had been completed and were removed. A few new actions have been identified, and additional new actions need to be created. Lastly, some actions need a champion assigned.

New actions items not captured on the SMART Matrix are listed below:

ACTION ITEM 1/2025-01: Leah Parks to verify that Carl Mazzola remains the point of contact for SMART Matrix Action 1Bd.

- Identify target standards for which harmonization can represent an improvement by considering intra-ANS (among ANS standards), and
- inter-standards development organization (SDO) (between ANS standards and standards under another SDO).

DUE DATE: May 1, 2025

ACTION ITEM 1/2025-02:

1. RP3C leadership to reassess SMART Matrix Actions 1Ca&b.

a. "Consensus committee and working group chairs to provide feedback on the approach and status of incorporation of RIPB methods in active standards development and the use of the recent RIPB "trial use" Guidance Document."

b. "Develop interface matrix outlining the scope, responsibilities, and interface management between the ANS/ASME Joint Committee on Nuclear Risk Management (JCNRM) and the Risk-informed, Performance-based Principles and Policy Committee (RP3C)."

2. RP3C leadership to identify a new specific action under 3C, "Continue the outreach achieved with the RP3C Community of Practice."

DUE DATE: May 1, 2025

ACTION ITEM 1/2025-03: Pat Schroeder to include SMART Matrix Action 2A, "Improve the process and efficiencies for the development and maintenance of ANS standards," on the Policy Task Group's agenda for their February 18, 2025, meeting to consider a systematic review to determine needed actions to fulfill 2A.

DUE DATE: February 18, 2025

ACTION ITEM 1/2025-04: Pat Schroeder to include a review of SMART Matrix Action 2Bb for consensus committee chairs to remind consensus committee members, subcommittee chairs, and working group chairs of their responsibilities as documented in the consensus committee procedures manual on the agenda for the next RP3C / CC Chair quarterly meeting. NOTE: In 2023 and 2024, a ballot was used to confirm members' understanding of their responsibilities and re-confirm interest in remaining a voting member. A separate message was sent to all chairs but primarily about resources. The question is whether these actions have helped improve participation.
DUE DATE: April 15, 2025

ACTION ITEM 1/2025-05: Andrew Sowder and Pat Schroeder to work on a communication blitz to solicit members for the Internal Communications Task Group and the External Communications Task Group.
DUE DATE: June 1, 2025

ACTION ITEM 1/2025-06: Todd Anselmi to get clarification from Don Eggett on Initiative 3B, "Support and carry out the focus of NRC's strategic outlook '... aims to identify standards needs for the nuclear industry not currently being addressed by standards development organizations (SDOs) such as ASTM, ASME, ACI, ANS, IEEE, etc.'" NOTE: Anselmi to engage Ben Parks as appropriate once clarified.
DUE DATE: June 1, 2025

ACTION ITEM 1/2025-07: Andrew Sowder, Todd Anselmi, and Pat Schroeder to look into the possibility of hosting an event "Coffee with ?" at the 2025 Winter Conference in D.C. NOTE: This action supports the objective of Initiative 4A, "Develop a plan to review avenues of recruitment and determine where ANS may be able to enhance participation."
DUE DATE: June 1, 2025

ACTION ITEM 1/2025-08: Pat Schroeder to check with ANS membership about leveraging the new member recruitment process for standards.
DUE DATE: June 1, 2025

ACTION ITEM 1/2025-09: Pat Schroeder to include a discussion of the SMART Matrix on the agenda for the annual pre-meeting or the annual meeting.
DUE DATE: October 15, 2025

5. Other/New Business

No other business was discussed.

6. Review of Action Items from This Meeting

Time did not permit a review of the action items.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.