

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN NUCLEAR SCIENCE

DIRECTORS MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held at the Rutherford Laboratory on 14th January, 1965 in which two university members of the Executive Committee also took part

Present:

Dr. A. C. W. V. Clarke
Professor B. H. Flowers
Professor A. W. Merrison
Dr. T. G. Pickavance
Mr. A. H. Rothwell
Dr. J. M. Valentine
Professor D. H. Wilkinson
Dr. J. A. V. Willis

- 1. The minutes of the meeting held on 9th December, 1964, were confirmed.
- 2. The grant for 1965/6
 - (a) Dr. Clarke said that there was no further progress on the negotiations concerning the grant beyond that reported to the Executive Committee on 7th January.
 - (b) The division of funds between the two laboratories was discussed on the basis of estimates put forward by the two laboratories:from Daresbury an estimate dated 11th January, 1965 (hereby given the reference DMP 35), from the Rutherford Laboratory the first column of a first draft five-year forecast dated 12th January, 1965 (hereby given the reference DMP 36). The Daresbury forecast totalled £2.925 million including £25,000 recurrent expenditure additional to previous forecasts and it was agreed that it was only realistic to leave this addition in.
 - It was agreed that, if a grant of £9.5 million or more were obtained, a division would be proposed to the Executive Committee based upon £2.95 million for Daresbury and £6.617 for the Rutherford Laboratory. For presentation outside the Institute, however, the shadow cut should not be subtracted from Daresbury (as in the above figures) but should be shown against the total.
- 3. Negotiations on conditions of service in the SRC
 - Dr. Clarke said that he had attended a meeting the previous day with officers of the DESc and officials and staff representatives of the bodies which would form the SRC. The staff representatives of some of the bodies other than NIRNS had proposed that future recruits to the SRC should be given conditions aligned as closely as possible with the Civil Service, including recruitment through the Civil Service Commission, to facilitate interchange of staff with the Civil Service. It appeared rather likely that this would be agreed and Dr. Clarke asked the meeting to consider whether it would introduce such delay and inconvenience over recruitment that he ought to object to it.

After discussion it was agreed that it would not be right to oppose this proposal.

4. Plans for the Board meeting on 8th February

The Secretary was asked to visit the Chairman to discuss the Agenda for the Board meeting on the lines laid down at the Executive Committee meeting on 7th January and also to suggest to the Chairman that a luncheon should be arranged in connection with the meeting.

5. Further actions from the Executive Committee

A list of actions from the Executive Committee meeting on 7th January was circulated by the Secretary on 8th January and it appeared that all the actions were in hand.

6. Draft five-year forecast

The Committee discussed in detail the first draft contributions to the five-year forecast put forward by the Rutherford Laboratory (paper DMP 36 already mentioned) and the Daresbury Laboratory in a paper dated 11th January, 1965 (hereby given the number DMP 37). The totals shown on these drafts were as follows:

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	65/6	66/7	67/8	68/9	69/70	70/71
Rutherford Labora- tory present progresses	6.61	6.86	6,98	7.17	7.30	7.38
Rutherford Labora- tory additional Phase 1		1.31	2.42	2.08	1.76	1.78
Daresbury	3.07	2.22	2.27	3.79	4.21	3.72
TOTAL	9.68	11.16	12.17	13.04	13.27	12.88
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The following specific changes were recommended:

(a) At the Rutherford Laboratory:

- (i) Addition to the above figures of the "Additional programme Phase 2".
- (ii) Addition of equipment for two further university film analysis groups.

(b) At the Daresbury Laboratory:

A slight slowing-down of the start of the storage ring project.

It was agreed that the Rutherford and Daresbury forecasts should now be revised in the light of these suggestions and many more detailed comments which had been made during discussion. Dr. Clark and the laboratory secretaries were invited to prepare a draft forecast including forecasts for the nuclear structure laboratory, the Atlas Computer Laboratory and Research Reactor work, in addition to the forecasts for the two laboratories, for the next Executive Committee meeting.