

# North Central Chapter of AAPM (1973-2017)

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Formation of the North Central chapter was first considered in 1970; proposed constitution, by-laws and geographical boundary was discussed during the 1973 RSNA at the Blackstone Hotel. The first meeting was held April 5, 1974 in Madison, WI and was a joint meeting with the NC Health Physics Society. John Cameron served as the Temporary Chairman and Acting Secretary.



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November 13, 1970

MEMORANDUM

To: Wisconsin AAPM Members  
From: William G. Connor  
Subject: Establishment of a Wisconsin Area Chapter of the AAPM

On November 11, 1970, several members of the AAPM (W.G. Connor, J. R. Cameron, C. A. Kelsey, J. M. Hevezl, M. Hansen and K. P. Doppke) held an informal meeting to discuss the desirability and feasibility of establishing a Wisconsin Regional Chapter of the AAPM. It was decided that this might be desirable and the Wisconsin Members of the AAPM are therefore being contacted to solicit their views. This is the purpose of this memorandum and I would appreciate receiving your comments as soon as possible.

The next step in the procedure will be to form an Ad-Hoc Organization Committee to contact the AAPM Regional Organization Committee and draft a constitution for our Regional Chapter. These efforts will proceed and interested members replying to this memorandum will be contacted about further developments. The list of AAPM members (see below) being contacted in this primary inquiry may not be complete and I would appreciate help in making sure all interested members are notified. Please tell your associates of this endeavor if their name does not appear in this list and I will include their names in the next mailing if they respond.

Thank you for your cooperation and I'll look forward to hearing from you.

AAPM Members in Wisconsin:

1. W. G. Connor	10. P. F. Judy
2. J. R. Cameron	11. D. W. Kerst
3. C. A. Kelsey	12. M. S. Toussig
4. J. M. Hevezl	13. C. R. Wilson
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July 9, 1973

MEMORANDUM

TO: Medical Physicists in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and the Dakotas  
FROM: John R. Cameron

A group of us have decided there is merit in having an AAPM Chapter in this area. We suggest that we call it the North Central Chapter. (It covers the same states as the North Central Chapter of the HPS). If you are interested in joining this proposed chapter, please return the enclosed application blank. I would expect the dues to be approximately \$5/year and that we would have a half or full day meeting once or twice a year--perhaps in conjunction with the NC-HPS chapter or the Midwest AAPM chapter meeting.

If we get at least 10 full members we will draft a set of by-laws based on those of other AAPM chapters and circulate them for comments. This memo is being sent to those individuals in the attached list.

If you know of other interested applicants please invite them to join. You do not have to be an AAPM member to belong to the chapter.

Your comments and suggestions would be welcome. If you are willing to be active as an officer or on the Board of the new chapter, please check the appropriate space.

December 4, 1973

Minutes of Proposed North Central Chapter of the AAPM (NC-AAPM)

An organizational meeting was held in the Blackstone Hotel on 28 November 1973 commencing at 1:00 P.M. with John Cameron serving as temporary Chairman. The following individuals were present: R. J. Boge, P. N. Deluca, G. D. Fullerton, R. G. Lane, V. C. Moore, A. L. Orvis, B. R. Paliwal, J. T. Payne, J. R. Tanczer and C. R. Wilson. Ray Tanczer was also present for a short while during the meeting. John Cameron asked how the members wished to have the meeting run; they agreed to have him chair the meeting.

There was a discussion of the proposed constitution and by-laws of the NC-AAPM. Al Orvis proposed that the nominating committee should be required to submit two names for each position. This was agreed upon unanimously.

There was a brief discussion of the geographical bounds of the NC-AAPM. It was pointed out that there are not strict rules on this matter and any AAPM member can join any chapter he wishes. It was generally felt that Iowa should be added to the list of states covered by the NC-AAPM since we have received membership applications from two medical physicists in Iowa and it is not clear that there are any other members in that state.

John Cameron reported that our application to be a chapter of the AAPM had been submitted several weeks earlier to the AAPM Regional Chapter Committee. The committee had not yet made a decision but there seemed little doubt that we would have no problems being approved.

Cameron pointed out that 35 individuals had applied for membership and of these 26 are full or junior members of the AAPM.

Cameron suggested that an appropriate time and place for the first meeting of the new chapter would be Madison, Wisconsin on the morning of April 5, 1974. The NC Chapter of the Health Physics Society will be meeting in Madison that afternoon and we could thus have an NC-AAPM Scientific meeting in the morning and an NC-HPS Scientific meeting in the afternoon. The details of the program and business meeting were left to an ad hoc committee which will also serve as the nominating committee. This committee is: Al Orvis, Vaughn Moore and John Cameron. This committee is to make nominations for the various offices and to arrange the election by mail ballot before April 5, 1974.

There was a brief discussion of dues but since no money is needed at this time it was decided to postpone this matter until April 5.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted  
John R. Cameron  
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Acting Secretary

JRC:mr

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICISTS IN MEDICINE

THE SPRING MEETING OF THE NORTH CENTRAL CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICISTS IN MEDICINE to be held APRIL 19, 1975 SATURDAY at the CHAPEL (HAPS) MEDICAL COLLEGE OF WISCONSIN MILWAUKEE COUNTY HOSPITAL MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

Program:

10:00 a.m. Registration (\$2.00 includes lunch)  
Coffee and rolls to be served.  
1975 Dues of \$2.00 will also be accepted

10:30 a.m. Electron Spin Resonance in Medicine and Biology - Harold Swartz - Medical College of Wisconsin

11:15 a.m. Nuclear Magnetic Resonance in Medicine and Biology - Paul Moran - University of Wisconsin

12:00 noon Lunch (included in registration fee) and Business Meeting

1:15 p.m. Diagnostic X-ray Exposure Measurements in Wisconsin - Lawrence McDonnell - Wisconsin Division of Radiological Health

1:45 p.m. Analysis of NEXT Data - John Cameron and John Wochos - University of Wisconsin

2:15 p.m. Ultrasound in Radiation Therapy - Richard Neudorfer - University of Wisconsin

2:45 p.m. Medical Physics in France - Jean-Claude Hoegemard - Institute Gustave-Roussy

3:15 p.m. An opportunity for a brief tour of the Department of Radiation Therapy of the Medical College of Wisconsin will be made available.

To conserve time coffee will be made available during the discussion period following each speaker's formal presentation.

3:45 p.m. Social Hour will take place over wine and cheese at the residence of Chuck and Carol Wilson, 617 North Sixth Street. Since their home is within 1-1/2 miles of the meeting, it should only take 15 to 20 minutes to return.

6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Cocktails and Dinner

Reservations will be made at a superb local restaurant for those desiring to entertain an outstanding day with an evening of good fellowship and delightful dining. Reservations are being accepted by FAX ONLY, APRIL 11, 1975.

Ladies Program  
Carol Wilson has graciously volunteered to be the hostess of an internal ladies program. After getting acquainted over coffee at 10:00 at the Wilson's a day of shopping, sight seeing, or whatever will take place finishing with a return to the Wilson's at 3:45 for the Social Hour.

DIRECTIONS:

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Department of Therapeutic Radiology  
Medical School  
Box 564 Mayo Memorial Building  
420 Delaware Street S.E.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455  
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July 13, 1978

John Cameron  
Medical Physics Division  
University of Wisconsin  
Department of Radiology  
Madison, Wisconsin 53706

Dear John:

Thank you for accepting the nomination of the NC-AAPM Executive Board to serve on the local arrangements committee for the 1980 AAPM meeting. The committees that each of you has agreed to organize and chair will involve considerable work and individual effort such of which will go unrecognized by the general membership of the national body. It will, however, be very rewarding for all of us to see a project of this magnitude carried to successful completion in the North Central region. This will in turn reflect on the quality and activity of medical physics practice in our area which I feel is of concern to us all.

As most of you are aware, Ed McCullough has agreed to act as chairman of the local arrangement committee. The names of other individuals in our chapter who have agreed to chair various committees are presented in enclosure 1 with this letter. Enclosure 2 gives the names and composition of the local arrangements committee for the 1978 National AAPM Meeting in San Francisco. I would request that all of you who can possibly do so attend the San Francisco Meeting and attempt to contact your counterpart to gain some additional insight into the problems and time scales involved in the work for which you will be responsible. A good starting point for your thoughts meeting prepared by Bob Ragnow's committee in 1975, with the amendments that have come to us via the National AAPM Office from the Cincinnati local arrangements committee headed by Jim Serfianek in 1977.

Thank you once again for your help. You are the individuals who will make the 1980 meeting click. I do wish however to emphasize that this project is an opportunity to strengthen the NC-AAPM organization if we make the effort to include as many of our members as possible in the work ahead. I encourage each of you to consider formation of a small committee to assist you when the time is appropriate.

Sincerely yours,  
Gary D. Fullerton  
President  
NC-AAPM

GDF/skk  
Enclosures

History of the NCCAAPM Chapter Website

2000 - 2005 E. Russell Ritenour started an html edition of NCCAAPM chapter webpage and was the first editor

June, 2005 - 2014 Sugata Tripathi volunteered as the website editor. Vendor participation, Meeting Information and agenda available/archived since 2005. AAPM hosted the chapter website at <http://www.aapm.org/nccaapm>

2005 August, Website moved to [chapter.aapm.org/nccaapm](http://chapter.aapm.org/nccaapm)

2014 Mike Kowalok took over as the website editor

2014 August, On-line meeting registration introduced! PayPal added to the website meeting announcements for easy signup and meeting dues.

Year Elected	Pres-elect	President	Secretary/Treasurer	Board Rep	Year Elected	Pres-elect	President	Secretary/Treasurer	Board Rep
1973		Temporary Chairperson - Cameron			1996	J Felmlee	D Bennett	T Murphy	B Thomadsen
1974	RG Lane	RJ Boge	JR Cameron		1997	B Scheuler	J Felmlee	R Kitchen	B Gerbi
1975	V Moore	RG Lane	D Tolbert	E McCullough	1998	R Wery	B Scheuler	R Kitchen	B Gerbi
1976	C Wilson	V Moore	D Tolbert	E McCullough	1999	J Wochos	R Wery	R Kitchen	B Gerbi
1977	G Fullerton	C Wilson	J Zagzebski	E McCullough	2000	B Thomadsen	J Wochos	D Marvel	R Geise
1978	E McCullough	G Fullerton	J Zagzebski	C Wilson	2001	J Limmer	B Thomadsen	D Marvel	R Geise
1979	B Paliwal	E McCullough	M Liss	C Wilson	2002	D Loshek	J Limmer	D Marvel	R Geise
1980	T Payne	B Paliwal	M Liss	C Wilson	2003	R Kruger	D Loshek	J Rownd	ER Ritenour
1981	M Liss	T Payne	B Thomadsen	C Wilson	2004	E Hendee	R Kruger	J Rownd	ER Ritenour
1982	J Allen	M Liss	L Rutz	C Wilson	2005	W Tang	E Hendee	J Rownd	J Limmer
1983	J Anderson	J Allen	R Geise	B Paliwal	2006	M Towsley	W Tang	P Alaei	J Limmer
1984	R Kline	J Anderson	S Reed	B Paliwal	2007	J Rownd	M Towsley	P Alaei	J Limmer
1985	J Wochos	R Kline	S Reed	B Paliwal	2008	Y Watanabe	J Rownd	R Dahl	E Hendee
1986	S Goetsch	J Wochos	S Reed	A Niroomand-Rad	2009	C Thomason	Y Watanabe	R Dahl	E Hendee
1987	M Fox	S Goetsch	D Simpkin	A Niroomand-Rad	2010	R Dahl	C Thomason	J Smilowitz	E Hendee
1988	S Reed	M Fox	D Simpkin	A Niroomand-Rad	2011	P Alaei	R Dahl	J Smilowitz	D Bennett
1989	D Porter	S Reed	D Simpkin	S Goetsch	2012	G Chen	P Alaei	W Geisler	D Bennett
1990	L DeWerd	D Porter	M Towsley	S Goetsch	2013	M Kowalok	G Chen	W Geisler	D Bennett
1991	B Gerbi	L DeWerd	M Towsley	B Thomadsen	2014	S Tripathi	M Kowalok	W Culberson	T Murphy
1992	M Garrity	B Gerbi	J Felmlee	B Thomadsen	2015	C Abing	S Tripathi	W Culberson	T Murphy
1993	D Bourland	M Garrity	J Felmlee	B Thomadsen	2016	W Culberson	C Abing	P Yadav	T Murphy
1994	ER Ritenour	D Bourland	T Murphy	B Thomadsen	2017	P Hill	W Culberson	P Yadav	M Kowalok
1995	D Bennett	ER Ritenour	T Murphy	B Thomadsen					