



# Elections for USLUO's Executive Committee

**John Huth, Harvard**  
**Boaz Klima, Fermilab**

**2<sup>nd</sup> US LUO Annual Meeting**  
**September 25-26, 2009**



# US LHC Users Organization (US LUO)

<http://www.usluo.org>

- ❑ **Constitution (Goshaw, HN) approved by US CMS, US ATLAS, US ALICE and LARP April 2007**
  - ➔ **Positive feedback: from the community & agencies (Orbach)**
- ❑ **Represents the entire community: University and Lab**
  - ➔ **Covers the LHC experiments and LARP (accelerator group)**
  - ➔ **Forum for information and concerns; special “int’l” needs**
  - ➔ **Annual US HEP visit to Washington (Funding)**

Excerpt from  
Harvey's Talk

## ❑ Mission Statement: **Adapted to an International Program**

“The purpose of USLUO is to provide a forum for discussions of the US participation in the LHC research program, with a focus on how best to enhance scientific participation in the discoveries expected from this research. In particular, USLUO aims to help the US LHC community work effectively with their colleagues at CERN while in the US, and to adapt to work at CERN and to living in the environs of the CERN laboratory. USLUO also provides communication channels between scientists working on LHC experiments, the US agencies supporting this research and the US Congress.”



# US LHC Issues and Challenges: Analysis & Operations in/from the US

- ❑ **Participating in the LHC experiments & doing analysis in the US continues to present challenges**
  - ➔ **Distance from the experiment: long travel times**
  - ➔ **6-9 Time Zone difference: many meetings at CERN at difficult-to-impossible times for US participants**
  - ➔ **Financial issues: exchange rate; cost of living; *taxation***
- ❑ **Multi-pronged strategy: Support at CERN, coherence through US Centers (LPC, SAC), greater reliance on collaborative tools**
  - ➔ **Support for “remote operations”:** e.g. the Fermilab ROC
  - ➔ **Adequate support for scalable Collaborative Tools (EVO)**
- ❑ **Increased presence at CERN during startup: greater financial pressures on the program**
  - ➔ **COLA support for detector & commissioning work at CERN; now also needed for postdocs and students on analysis**
- ❑ **Pro-active US CMS and US ATLAS Management**

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# Current US LUO Executive Committee Membership

Name	Institution	Collaboration	Term Expires
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Harvey Newman   | Caltech      | CMS   | 2009 | 2009 Chair     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Julia Thom  | Cornell      | CMS   | 2010 | 2009 Secretary |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mike Albrow   | Fermilab     | CMS   | 2009 |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Barnett   | LBL          | ATLAS | 2009 |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bob Clare   | UC Riverside | CMS   | 2009 |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sridhara Dasu   | Wisconsin    | CMS   | 2010 |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dan Green   | Fermilab     | CMS   | 2010 |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> John Huth   | Harvard      | ATLAS | 2010 |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boaz Klima  | Fermilab     | CMS   | 2010 |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greg Landsberg  | Brown        | CMS   | 2010 |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Peter Limon   | Fermilab     | LARP  | 2009 |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sheldon Stone   | Syracuse     | LHCb  | 2010 |                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ex-Officio [Youth, Gender, Exp. Balance]: Y. Maravin, K. Copic, P. Jacobs |              |       |      |                |

**Totals:** CMS 8+1, ATLAS 2+1, LHCb 1, LARP 1, ALICE 0+1  
 + Darin Acosta (ACCU), Jen Nahn (Webmaster)



# US ALICE Representation in LUEC

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- ❑ In the past we have appointed ad hoc (observer) members of LUEC to improve our age, gender and experiment “balance”
  - ❑ Katherine Copic and Yurii Maravin selected by ATLAS and CMS respectively for 2008-2009
- ❑ US ALICE has requested representation on LUEC, and has suggested that our election rules be changed
- ❑ In discussions among LUEC members, we reached a consensus that we need to be inclusive, with all LHC experiments having a voice.
- ❑ Opinions on whether our election rules (and hence our constitution) should be changed are divided.
- ❑ We then reached consensus on the following procedure
  - ❑ Appoint an ad hoc US ALICE representative: Peter Jacobs selected
  - ❑ Discuss the matter of constitutional change. If justified, put the matter to the US LUO membership
- ➔ **Note: ad hoc members do not have a vote, but US LUEC works by consensus**

# The Elections were Well Organized – No Major Protests...



**We may have a little less at stake here...**



# USLUO's 3<sup>rd</sup> Elections – A Few Details

- US LUO membership prior to the elections announcement – 770
- US LUO membership following the elections announcement – 860
- Timeline:
  - July 22: Elections announced
  - July 22 - Aug. 14: Nominations
  - Aug. 21 - Sept. 11: Vote
  - Sept. 14 : New elected members announced
- Candidates:
  - 31 nominated
  - 24 were willing to run
  - 6 were elected
- Voted – 314 (37% - impressive compared to similar “young” organizations)
- Thanks to:
  - Jen Nahn who did all the technical work
  - All the candidates who were willing to run
  - Anybody else who helped directly or indirectly





# New (2010-2011) US LUO Executive Committee Membership

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Kevin Burkett   | Fermilab  | CMS   | 2011 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sarah Demers  | Yale      | ATLAS | 2011 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sridhara Dasu   | Wisconsin | CMS   | 2011 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandor Feher  | Fermilab  | LARP  | 2011 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Al Goshaw   | Duke      | ATLAS | 2011 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dan Green   | Fermilab  | CMS   | 2010 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> John Huth   | Harvard   | ATLAS | 2010 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boaz Klima  | Fermilab  | CMS   | 2010 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greg Landsberg  | Brown     | CMS   | 2010 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sheldon Stone   | Syracuse  | LHCb  | 2010 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Julia Thom  | Cornell   | CMS   | 2010 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Harvey Newman   | Caltech   | CMS   | 2011 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ex-Officio for Youth, Gender, Exp. Balance: Yuri Maravin, Katherine Copic, Peter Jacobs |           |       |      |

**Totals: CMS 7+1, ATLAS 3+1, LHCb 1, LARP 1, ALICE 0+1  
+ Darin Acosta (ACCU), Jen Nahn (Webmaster)**