Committee Begins Search for New Jefferson Lab Director

Washington, DC – Jefferson Science Associates announced today the appointment of the Jefferson Lab Director Search Committee. W. Taylor Reveley, President of the College of William & Mary and Chair of the JSA Board of Directors, announced the 20 members of committee, which will have its first organizational meeting in Washington in June. The committee will be chaired by Donald Geesaman, Distinguished Argonne Fellow and former Chair of the Nuclear Science Advisory Committee.

The committee includes:

* Donald Geesaman, Chair – Argonne National Lab
* Jerry Draayer, co-Vice Chair – SURA and JSA Board of Directors Vice Chair
* Karl Williams, co-Vice Chair – PAE and JSA Board of Directors Vice Chair
* Thomas Appelquist – Yale University and JSA Board of Directors
* Elizabeth Beise – University of Maryland and JSA Board of Directors
* James Decker – Decker Garman Sullivan and JSA Board of Directors
* Rolf Ent – Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility
* Bernard Frois – French Atomic Energy Commission
* Rolf Heuer – former Director General, CERN (Switzerland)
* Patricia McBride – Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory
* Curtis Meyer – Carnegie Mellon University
* Shoji Nagamiya – Institute of Physical and Chemical Research (RIKEN, Japan)
* Kent Paschke – University of Virginia
* Robert Redwine – Massachusetts Institute of Technology
* John Seeman – SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory
* Susan Seestrom – Los Alamos National Laboratory
* Bradley Sherrill – National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory, Michigan State University
* James Symons – Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
* Marc Vanderhaeghen – Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz (Germany)
* Glenn Young – Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility

The Committee’s task is to recommend a replacement for Hugh Montgomery, whose resignation was announced on January 22. Until a successor is named, Montgomery will continue to lead the laboratory as it moves toward completion of the 12 GeV Upgrade Project and embarks on a full-energy experimental physics program.

Reveley said, “JSA is very pleased with the high level of experience and commitment to quality science represented on the Search Committee. As the Lab begins a new era of science after its major upgrade, I am confident that the Committee’s judgment will help identify a distinguished and charismatic director who will champion Jefferson Lab’s mission in concert with DOE’s vision for its laboratory system.”

JSA is a joint venture comprised of the Southeastern Universities Research Association (SURA) and Pacific Architects and Engineers (PAE). JSA was created specifically to manage and operate Jefferson Lab on behalf of the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Science for the nuclear physics user community, so its members can continue to conduct innovative research. SURA is the university consortium that propelled Jefferson Lab into the forefront of nuclear and hadronic physics as well as in superconducting radiofrequency
technologies. PAE is a global leader in providing enduring support for the essential missions of the U.S. government, its allied partners and international organizations.

Jefferson Lab is a national laboratory for nuclear physics research. As a user facility for over 1,500 scientists worldwide, its primary mission is to conduct basic research to advance the understanding of the fundamental constituents of the atomic nucleus and their interactions.

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