



**IEEE Geosciences and Remote Sensing Chapter  
Eastern North Carolina Section – R30171, GRS29  
Minutes for April 14, 2016**



Present Chair: Dr. Linda Hayden  
In attendance:

Dr. Linda Hayden	Joselyn Hathaway	Cameron Bernardo
Dr. Darnell Johnson	Kevin Benton	Carlton Lamb
Dr. Dipendra Sengupta	Kevin Jones	Charles Hockaday Jr.
Dr. K Kulkarni	Nigel Pugh	Clay Swindell
Dr. Robert Y George	Tangee Beverly	Cornelius Holness
Dr. Lewis	Tatyana Matthews	Daquan Rascoe
Dr. Orestes Gooden James	Tori Wilbon	Derek Morris
Boswell	Andrew Brumfield	Hagen Hodgkins
Jefferson Ridgeway	Anissa Norman	
Joel Gonzalez- Santiago	Antonio Guion	

1. Dr. Hayden opened the meeting with an introduction, greeting guests and discussing occasion for meeting.
2. Nigel Pugh read the minutes from the October 15, 2015 IEEE meeting. Dr. Hayden made an amendment to the location of the upcoming IGARSS conference that will be held in Beijing, China. The corrections were accepted by James Boswell and seconded by Tatyana Matthews.
3. The distinguished lecture speaker, Dr. Robert Y. George presented the importance and urgency to increase the awareness for coastal hazards. Dr. George discussed integrating information on coastal hazards and cirrocumuli coastal ecosystems into his research. Other key points from Dr. George's presentation were that the North Carolina coast is very fragile and that ECSU serves as a valuable intellectual reference in addressing environmentally sensitive needs for North Carolina.
4. Following Dr. Robert Georges presentation, Dr. Hayden was presented with a book on Antarctica Research due to her extensive and dedicated research on Antarctica.
5. Andrew Brumfield came forward to present his research on the Sargasso Sea. Andrew Brumfield discussed the oil spill in 2011 and how oil affects the sargassum in the ocean. Mr. Brumfield's research focuses on if there were any changes in sargassum before and after the oil spill.
6. ECSU graduate student, Kevin Jones, was introduced and gave brief introduction on the graduate research has been working on.
7. Andrew Brumfield, previous ECSU IEEE-GRSS Student Chapter President, gave a brief overview of the ECSU IEEE-GRSS chapter.
8. Dr. Robert Georges gave closing remarks such as James Boswell applying for space scholarship, and graduate students, Andrew Brumfield and Kevin Jones will be working with him on research this summer. In addition, Dr. George expounded on his conference coming up in Australia on the topic "Carbon in the Ocean"
9. Dr. Hayden closed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeff Wood, Chapter Secretary