Initial meeting of EG-GNDS

1. Introductions, especially of the Governance Board
2. Reviewed minutes from unofficial meeting at ND2016
3. Reviewed mandate
4. Reviewed decision process of group
   a. Consensus first,
   b. if fail, GB votes
5. Received reports from SG-38 (closing) and SG-43 (opening)
   a. SG-38 — format specs close to completion, due by ENDF/B-VIII.0
   b. SG-43 — begins Tuesday
6. DELIVERABLE: Initial specifications & implementation due with ENDF/B-VIII.0 release, anticipate late fall 2017
7. Reacted with mild amusement at NEA management’s name change of GND (it kind of makes more sense than our original name): GND -> GNDS
8. Reviewed GNDS training & outreach needs
   a. consensus view is to do nothing until we have an actual format
   b. will need Users’ Manual once specs done
9. Reviewed operations of ENDF Formats Committee
   a. Format change workflow
   b. We will adapt to it GNDS (consensus view)
   c. Uses GForge tracker system at BNL
   d. Use GForge or GitHub to manage EG-GNDS format change workflow? ACTION: will test our decision making system on this question in next month, via internet