

**2003 RVOC Meeting
October 08-10, 2003
Large Lakes Observatory, University of Minnesota
Gitchee Gumee Conference Center
U.S. EPA Mid-Continent Division
6201 Congdon Blvd.
Duluth, MN 55804**

Wednesday 08 October 2003

0800 Registration and Coffee/Pastry (Guests Invited)

0830 Welcoming Remarks

Mike King, Marine Superintendent, University of Minnesota
James Riehl, Dean, College of Science and Engineering
Steve Rabalais, Chairman, RVOC

0900 Old Business

Minutes 2002 Meeting

0915 New Business

0925 Committee and Liaison Reports

UNOLS - Mike Prince, Ex. Sect'y
Safety Committee - Tom Althouse
Ship Scheduling Committee - Dan Schwartz

Ship Security-Dan Schwartz

1000 Break

1015 Committee and Liaison Reports (cont'd)

FIC – Mike Prince
DESSC - Mike Prince
RVTEC – Jean Captain
AICC - Dan Schwartz
SOCP – Paul Ljunggren, Lee Black
Van Standards and Inventory Committee - Matt Hawkins

1100 Agency Reports

NSF – Dolly Dieter/Linda Goad
ONR - John Freitag
NOAA - Beth White
NAVO - Paul Taylor
USCG - Jonathan Berkson
State Dept. - Liz Tirpak

1145 LUNCH

1300 Special Reports (presentations will be limited to 10min/ea.)

Representatives from foreign countries

SACLANT - Ian Sage
NERC - Geraint West
NIOZ - Marieke Rietveld
Others

Research vessel updates

-KILO MOANA - Stan Winslow
-Cape Hatteras Refit – TBD
-Pelican Mid-life - Steve Rabalais
-Alpha Helix Replacement - Tom Smith
-Asterias Replacement – Albert Suchy
-NMFS Fisheries Vessels - Jim Meehan
-Suncoaster Replacement - Randy Maxson
-Henlopen Replacement - Matt Hawkins

-CMMS Update – Tom Althouse
-Post Cruise Assessments and PCA results - Mike Prince
-Safety Statistics and MAS - Mike Prince
-Ship Inspection Program - Dolly Dieter
-Shipboard Scientific Support Equipment Program - Dolly Dieter
-Winch and Wire Update (Safe Working Loads, Wire Specs., W&W
Inventory and F-O cable) - Mike Prince
-Salary Surveys, Large and Intermediate Ships - Tom Althouse, Bill Hahn
-Other Special Reports may be add as time permits

1530 Break

1550 Insurance and Liability - Dennis Nixon

1720 Adjourn

Tour of Heron

(1800-1830)

*At Army Corps of Engineers Dock
9th and Minnesota Avenue*

Large Lakes Observatory Sponsored Bar-B-Que

(1900-2130)

*At Lafayette Square
3026 Minnesota Avenue*

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0830 Continuation of Research Vessel Updates

0930 Critical Significance of Human Factors in Ship Design - Dr. Thomas Dobie, National Biodynamics Lab, College of Engineering, Univ. of New Orleans

1030 Break

1050 Low Cost Voice and Data Communications Aboard Ship - Mark Witsaman, Vice President of Technology and Development. The new SeaWave® Integrator 3.0 provides low cost voice and data communications, and individual accounts to all users on the ship

1150 Lunch

1245 Security Discussion Introduction – Dan Schwartz

1300 Overview of National and International Security Regulations - Mr. Jim Shelley, Director of Security Programs for MITAGS/PMI. Topics to be discussed include:

International Ship and Port Security (ISPS) Code
Maritime Transportation Act (MTSA) of 2002
Proposed Interim Final Ruling (33 CFR Subchapter H)

1345 Implementing the New Security Rules at NOAA. NOAA's Marine and Aviation Operations conducted an initial risk assessment and is now building a security management system. LCDR John Herring will talk about the current status of this effort.

1430 Break

1445 Maritime Training Challenges - Mr. Gregg Trunnell, West Coast Director of MITAGS/PMI. Topics to be discussed include:

New Technology
New Regulations

New Responsibilities

1545 New Designs in Over-the-Side Handling Equipment – John Freitag, ONR and Dolly Dieter, NSF

1645 Adjourn

Dinner at Kitchi Gammi Club

831 East Superior Street

(dress code enforced coat and tie for men and evening wear for ladies)

1830 Social Hour 1930 Dinner

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0830 Round Table Discussion (Marine Superintendents Only)

Ship Inspection Program

ISM, its impact and extension to other vessels in the fleet

Other items to be added as needed

1030 Break

1045 Roundtable cont'd

1200 Lunch

1300 Business Meeting

Election of Vice Chair

Assignment to Committees (FIC)

Review of Action Items Pending

Suggestion for 2004 agenda

Nominations and vote on 2005 meeting location

1430 Adjourn