

Tentative Agenda

**UNOLS COUNCIL MEETING
8:30 A.M., Thursday, 11 October 2007
National Science Foundation, Room 375
4201 Wilson Boulevard Arlington, VA**

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0800 Coffee and Pastries

0830 Call the Meeting: Marcia McNutt, UNOLS Chair, will call the meeting to order and provide an opportunity for introductions.

- Accept the minutes of the July 2007 Council Meeting.

Only those items requiring Council attention will be discussed during the morning Council meeting. Informational reports will be provided during the UNOLS Annual Meeting.

0845 Subcommittee Report on Recommendations on 2008 Ship Operations – The Ad-hoc committee of Mary Jane Perry (Chair), Vernon Asper, and Marcia McNutt, will report on the status of their 2008 recommendations on Ship Lay-ups and Early Retirements. (Mary Jane Perry)

0915 Ad-hoc committee on Data Management Best Practices – The ad-hoc committee will provide a written report that presents their task statement to inventory best practices for capturing and archiving data and metadata. The report will also provide a status report of their efforts. (Marcia McNutt will summarize the report.)

0945 Crew and Marine Technician Retention and Hiring Issues – Proposed strategies for addressing these issues will be presented (Matt Hawkins and Bill Martin)

10:15 Break

1030 Code of Conduct for Marine Scientific Research Vessels – At the request of the delegates present at last year's International Ship Operators Meeting, Dennis Nixon developed a document with colleagues from the UK and Ireland. He will provide an update on the basis for the document. (Dennis Nixon)

1045 Harassment at Sea – There has been recent incidents of sexual harassment at sea. Discussion on UNOLS plans to address this issue and future actions. (Marcia McNutt)

1110 2007/2008 UNOLS Goals and Priorities – The draft 2007/2008 UNOLS Goals and Priorities will be reviewed for endorsement by the UNOLS Council. (Marcia McNutt)

1125 Frequency Spectrum Management – At the last Council meeting the RVTEC was tasked with preparing a written preliminary status report of the Fleet's RF spectrum use based on the findings of the subcommittee. In turn, Peter Wiebe was asked to forward the status report to Dr Otis Brown and seek his advice on the steps that should be taken next. Status report (Bill Martin and Peter Wiebe)

1135 R/V *M.G. Langseth* UNOLS Vessel Designation – A letter of approval was sent to LDEO with contingencies for successful completions of reflagging, conversion and NSF inspection. The status of the designation will be provided (A report on the conversion effort will be provided during the Annual meeting). (John Diebold)

1145 UNOLS Council Winter Meeting – dates and location

1155 Committee Activities and Issues requiring Council Attention - Committee Chairs and Council Members will have an opportunity to raise any issues requiring Council attention.

1200 Adjourn