

Arctic Icebreaker Coordinating Committee (AICC) Meeting

June 3 & 4, 2008

Chair's Report - Carin Ashjian

National Science Foundation

Stafford I, Room 1235

Arlington, VA

Schedule

- Day 1 (Nov. 27)
 - 0800 Continental Breakfast
 - 0830 Start Meeting
 - 1000-1015 Morning Break
 - 1130-1300 Lunch Offsite
 - 1430-1445 Afternoon Break
- Day 2 (Nov. 28)
 - 0800 Continental Breakfast
 - 0830 Start Meeting
 - 1000-1015 Morning Break
 - 1200 Meeting Adjourns

AICC Membership

- New Members!
 - Erica Key - meteorology/satellites
 - Don Perovich - sea iceWELCOME ERICA AND DON
- ARVOC Representative (Rob Dunbar) could not attend. New ARVOC Chair is John Anderson.

Future Meetings

- Need to schedule meeting in November-December-January during Healy time in Seattle
 - Important Dates to Avoid:
 - AGU: Dec. 15-19
 - NSF OPP Arctic Proposal Deadline: Nov. 10
 - Others?
- Icebreaker Retreat in Alameda next December?

Minutes from Nov. 2007 Meeting

AICC Action Items from Nov. 2007

Make use of the ASCI Web Site	Chief Scientists	Done, to no avail
Determine longevity of ASCI Web Site	Robin	Done
Town Hall Meeting at ASLO/AGU	Carin/ Mike	Updated Poster at AGU -Dec AGU together with ARC?
New Committee Members	Carin	Done (2) Need to do Chemist
SOO of Opportunity for Polar Sea	Renee, Phil, AICC, Mike	Not Done at Request of Renee

AICC Action Items from Nov. 2007

Check with Canadians re: SOO research they have been able to accomplish from buoy tenders	Kate	Done
Update web site to better describe berthing policy that indicates CG will use unused berths	Dave, AICC	Not Done
Document and Bank Interactions by AICC, USCG, Pis on what they have done, what works well, what to avoid		Not Done
Initiate discussions with northern communities re: Polar Sea Trip	D17	Done?
Develop recommendation regarding medical clearance and provide to the NSF	AICC	Done (12/28/07)
Identify date for retreat in Alameda in late 2008	Carin and CG	To be done
Find out cruise windows from BEST PIs for 2009 and 2010	Carin	Done, under revision
Add info to Healy cruise planning questionnaire re: mid-rats planning	Dave	Not done

AICC Action Items from Nov. 2007

Urge chief scientists to supply information to XO regarding mid-rates needs	Dave and Healy	Done (?)
Provide and get information about the use of Internet bandwidth		Not Done
Request more detailed prospectus to be developed for each cruise with authorship and content clearly defined	Kate will find example	Example has been found?
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Schedule teleconference with Dale and other interested parties to review drydock plans etc.	Carin and Dale	Feb. 25

AICC Action Items from Nov. 2007

Provide feedback to T. Takahashi with caveats noted in AICC minutes	Carin	Done (12/17)
Work on Recognition for Dan Oliver	Carin, Mike, AICC	Not Done
Add Alaskan Area CG Admiral to AICC meeting lists	Mike	Done
Update Cruise Synopsis for AEWC to include 2nd Pickart Cruise	Carin	Done
Discuss proposed berthing plans and provide feedback	AICC	Started, not finished

Extra Action Item Gleaned from Minutes

Add information on what AICC does and does not do to Icefloe web site	?	

Left Over

AICC Action Items from Jan. 2007

Nudge Simon to respond to AICC recommendations from August 2006 teleconference	Carin	Margo nudged
Discuss having workshop in response to NAS report	Margo	Wait
Assuming Simon is favorably disposed to workshop, need to write proposal or put money in UNOLS budget for the meeting	Carin/Margo/Mike	NA at this time
Community-awareness raising efforts (EOS article?) to advise HEALY's availability is beyond summer season, other SoO	?? Carin/Bernie/Lisa C	? Shall we proceed?
Develop protocol for getting major science instrumentation for ice-breakers that involves science input	Simon, then Tom W., then AICC	

Left Over AICC Action Items from Jan. 2007 (cont.)

Discuss holding more retreats in Alameda, at least in short term, with Simon	Margo/Carin/UNOLS Budget	Discuss at this meeting
Hook science into CG press releases and CG into science press releases	AICC/Forcucci?	Done for hly0801 and hly0802
Develop wire diagram for CG icebreaker operations organization	Lindström/Forcucci?	UPDATE!

AICC Activities

- Discussed community outreach and 2008 science with D. Hutchinson (USGS Chief Scientist for 2008 cruise)
- Continued to update AEWG (Harry Brower) and BASC (Glenn Sheehan) on planned Healy cruises
- Continue to advise scientists and CG on a range of issues including northern community communication and Healy science equipment
- Discussed need to inform northern communities of foreign icebreaker clearances/trips with Evan Bloom (DOS). Issue finally resolved that the DOS would inform NSF-OPP who would in turn inform the northern communities (12/18/2007)
 - Any cruises this summer? DOS notification?

AICC Activities

- Wrote recommendation to the NSF regarding medical clearances for Healy (and other CG icebreaker) cruises
- Carin Ashjian and Capt. Ted Lindström attended the AEWG meeting in December to discuss the spring Healy cruises (in particular, the long BEST cruise)
- Wrote recommendation to the NSF that action be taken to insure that the Healy Multibeam replacement proceed during the late 2009 drydock (4/11/2008)
- Conducted debrief of Sambrotto/BEST cruise

New Ideas to Increase Reputation and Profile of CG Icebreaker Based Science

- Create bibliography of scientific and other articles published based on Healy (and Polars) science (Ned Cokelet)
 - SBI Bibliography:
http://sbi.utk.edu/sbi_publications_list.htm

Communication with Northern Communities by 2008 Cruises

- Ashjian letter and cruise summary to Harry Brower in late November; response from Harry requesting more information in December on HLY0802 and on Mayer (then) and Pickart October cruise later
- Ashjian, Lindström to AEWC in December
- Ashjian/Cooper contact Alaska Walrus Commission (Vera Metcalf), AEWC Commissioners in Gambell and Savoonga, and IRA Councils in Gambell and Savoonga
- Ashjian updated AEWC/BASC 2/28 on Healy cruises with new summary

Communication with Northern Communities by 2008 Cruises

- Ashjian/Cooper in close communication with Gambell and Savoonga during HLY0801 and HLY0802. Cooper visits Savoonga; Ashjian visits Gambell during cruises
- Deb Hutchinson travels to Barrow and meets with whalers, including Eugene Brower (president, Barrow Whaling Captains Association) and Harry Brower (April?)
- Deb Hutchinson attends “Open Water Meeting” (April)
- Larry Mayer writes to Harry Brower (early May)
- Ashjian writes to Harry Brower and BASC to touch base regarding the Mayer (now Hutchinson) cruise and the Pickart October cruise
- International Whaling Commission meeting June 1-14 in Chile