

Tentative Agenda
UNOLS ANNUAL MEETING
Thursday and Friday, October 2-3, 2008
The National Science Foundation
4201 Wilson Boulevard
Stafford II, Room 555
Arlington, VA 22230

Please note: The Annual Meeting agenda may be revised prior to the meeting for additions and time adjustments. Please check the UNOLS website periodically for the latest meeting plans
<<http://www.unols.org/meetings/2008/200810anu/200810anuag.html>>

- 1300 Introduction and Welcome** – Marcia McNutt, UNOLS Chair, will call the meeting to order and provide an opportunity for participant introductions. Marcia will give a report on the “Year in Review.” UNOLS issues, activities, and major accomplishments in 2008 will be summarized.

~ 1:30 PM ~

Keynote Address

[Dr. Robert B. Gagosian](#), President and CEO
Consortium for Ocean Leadership

- 1415 UNOLS Membership Votes:** Ballots will be distributed prior to the break.

UNOLS Council Elections: Elections for the following UNOLS Council positions will be held

- UNOLS Chair-Elect (2-year term)
- Operator Representative (3 year term)
- UNOLS Council Member At-large (3-year term)

The slate of nominees can be viewed at: <<http://www.unols.org/meetings/2008/200810anu/Slate08.html>>.

Next UNOLS Executive Secretary and UNOLS Office Host Institution will be announced.

- 1430 Break**

- 1445 Federal Agency Reports -** Information from Federal Agencies (NSF, ONR, NRL, Oceanographer of the Navy, NOAA, USCG, USGS, MMS, DOS and DOE) on budgets, Fleet renewal activities, 2008 activities, and forecasts for 2009 and beyond. Specific topics to be covered include:

- National Science Foundation - Regional Class Acquisition Status
- Office of Naval Research - Ocean Class Acquisition Plans

- 1530 Fleet Operations in 2008 and Recommendations for 2009:**

- Summary of 2008 operations and the 2009 scheduling process (Stan Winslow, SSC Chair)
- Summary of Agency Recommendations for 2009 Fleet Operations (M. Prince/Bob Houtman)
- UNOLS Process for Review of Agency Recommendations - Marcia McNutt

- 1600 UNOLS Facility Renewal Activities (not already reported by the Agency Representatives):**

- Alaska Region Research Vessel Acquisition Status – Denis Wiesenburg

- 1610 Interagency Working Group on Facilities** – An update on plans for developing a Facility Implementation Plan – Bob Winokur

- 1625 Ocean Studies Board Committee on Evolution of the National Oceanographic Research Fleet** – Plans and Status - Susan Roberts

1640 UNOLS Policy Regarding Committee Recommendations to Federal Agencies – Marcia McNutt

1700 *Adjourn – Day 1*

An evening reception hosted by UNOLS will follow immediately afterward.

Annual Meeting – Day 2

0800 *Coffee and Pastries*

0830 Call Day-2 of the Meeting to Order: Marcia McNutt, UNOLS Chair.

- **UNOLS Elections Results**

0900 Presentation and Discussion: UNOLS Fleet Of the Future – What is the right mix and number of ships needed to support your current and future research and education projects? Does the fleet envisioned in the Draft UNOLS Fleet Improvement Plan match the expectations you have for your work and that of your colleagues? Are the findings and recommendations articulated in the Fleet Improvement Plan the right ones that will lead to the UNOLS Fleet of the Future that meets the needs of the community? These findings and recommendations are available at: http://www.unols.org/meetings/2008/200810anu/FIP2008_draft_Findings_Rec.pdf. Please take time to review them and come prepared to participate in a discussion that will help to finalize the UNOLS vision for the future.

1000 COMMITTEE REPORTS – Marcia McNutt will introduce the UNOLS Committee Chairs who will report on their activities.

- **Ship Scheduling Committee (SSC)** – Stan Winslow, SSC Chair, will review any ship-scheduling activities and recommendations from the past year that have not already been reported.
- **Fleet Improvement Committee (FIC)** – David Hebert, Chair, will report on Committee projects, including update of the Science Mission Requirements (SMRs).
- **Research Vessel Operators' Committee (RVOC)** – Pete Zerr, RVOC Chair, will review the highlights of the 2008 RVOC meeting and Committee activities over the past year. Pete will provide the status of RVOC's efforts to define safe working loads for wire use and on the update of the Research Vessel Safety Standards.

Mid-Morning Break

- **Research Vessel Technical Enhancement Committee (RVTEC)** – Stewart Lamerdin, RVTEC Vice-Chair, will report on RVTEC activities in 2008 and plans for the RVTEC Annual Meeting to be hosted by Florida State University.
- **Arctic Icebreaker Coordinating Committee (AICC)** – Carin Ashjian, AICC Chair, will report on the activities of the AICC in 2007/2008. She will report on science operations for *Healy* and the Polar Class Icebreakers in 2008 and planned for 2009.
- **DEep Submergence Science Committee (DESSC)** – Deb Kelley, DESSC Chair, will report on DESSC activities and plans for their fall meeting.

- **Marcus Langseth Science Oversight Committee (MLSOC)** – Steve Holbrook, MLSOC Chair, will report on initial science operations on R/V *Langseth*, Committee activities, and plans for the fall meeting.
- **Scientific Committee for Oceanographic Aircraft Research (SCOAR)** – Mike Prince will give the status and future plans for the committee.
- **Ad Hoc Committee on Data Management Best Practices** – Mike Prince

1130 UNOLS Facility Renewal Activities:

- Replacement Human Occupied Vehicle Status – Bob Detrick

1140 2008/2009 UNOLS Goals and Priorities – Marcia McNutt will present the 2008/2009 UNOLS Goals and Priorities as established by the UNOLS Council.

1155 UNOLS Report – Mike Prince

- Recognition of departing Council and Committee members.
- UNOLS Appointments to Committees: The UNOLS Chair will announce new appointments to the Executive Committee and standing committees in accordance with the UNOLS Charter.
- UNOLS Dues Accounting
- UNOLS Calendar and activities at winter conferences

1210 UNOLS Members will have the opportunity to raise additional issues.

1230 Adjourn