

October 1, 2012

*Tentative Agenda*  
**UNOLS ANNUAL MEETING**

**Tuesday and Wednesday, October 23-24, 2012**

The National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Stafford II, Room 555  
**Arlington, VA 22230**

**Important Note:** If you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, please RSVP the UNOLS Office at [office@unols.org](mailto:office@unols.org) by October 15th. **Your name will be added to the security list for access to NSF.**

**Annual Meeting - Day 1: Tuesday, October 23**

- 1300 Introduction and Welcome** – Bruce Corliss, UNOLS Chair, will call the meeting to order and provide opening remarks.
- Participant introductions.
- 1315 Federal Agency Reports:**
- Information from Federal Agencies (NSF, ONR, NRL, Oceanographer of the Navy, NOAA, USCG, USGS, BOEM, and DOS) on budgets, 2012 activities, and forecasts for 2013 and beyond.
- 1400 Fleet Operations in 2012 and Recommendations for 2013:**
- Summary of 2012 operations and the 2013 scheduling process (Stewart Lamerdin, SSC – 10 minutes)
  - Summary of Agency Recommendations for 2013 Fleet Operations (Bob Houtman and Jon Alberts – 10 minutes)
  - UNOLS Response to Agency Recommendations – (Debbie Steinberg, Robin Muench, Wilf Gardner, and Vernon Asper – 10 minutes)
- 1430 Review of UNOLS Membership Ballot Measures:** Ballots were distributed to UNOLS Representatives by mail in September. (Bruce Corliss)
- **UNOLS Council Elections:** The slate of nominees can be viewed at: <http://www.unols.org/meetings/2012/201210anu/Slate2012.html>.
  - **Application for UNOLS Membership**
- 1435 Break**
- 1450 Facility Renewal Activities:**
- Ocean Class Acquisition Update (Mike Prince – 10 minutes)
  - Regional Class Acquisition Status (Bob Houtman – 10 minutes)
  - R/V *Sikuliaq* Construction Update (Terry Whitledge – 10 minutes)
  - Ocean Observatories Initiative – (Jean McGovern – 10 minutes)
  - *Alvin* Upgrade Project – (Brian Midson – 10 minutes)
- 1540 COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Bruce Corliss will introduce the UNOLS Committee Chairs who will report on their activities. (10 minutes each)
- **1540 Ship Scheduling Committee (SSC)** – Stewart Lamerdin, SSC Chair, will review any ship-scheduling activities from the past year that have not already been reported.

- **1550 Fleet Improvement Committee (FIC)** – Clare Reimers, Chair, will summarize the activities from the FIC meeting held on October 22<sup>nd</sup> and report on future activities.

*Committee Reports to be continued on Day Two.*

**1600 Featured Presentations:**

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Dr. Robert D. Ballard</b><br/>         Director of the Center for Ocean Exploration at the<br/>         University of Rhode Island - Graduate School of Oceanography<br/> <i>"The use of Tele-presence Technology to lower costs and increase efficiency in Ocean Exploration and Research"</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">and</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Dr. Dwight Coleman</b><br/>         Director of the Inner Space Center at the<br/>         University of Rhode Island - Graduate School of Oceanography<br/> <i>"The URI Inner Space Center - facilitating real-time participation in ocean research cruises for science and outreach"</i></p> |
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**1700 Adjourn – Day 1**

*An evening reception hosted by UNOLS will follow immediately afterward.*

The Meridian at Ballston - Club house  
 900 North Stuart Street, Arlington, VA (Across from NSF)

**Annual Meeting – Day 2: Wednesday, October 24, 2012**

**0800 Coffee and Pastries**

**0830 Call Day-2 of the Meeting to Order:** Bruce Corliss, UNOLS Chair.

**0835 COMMITTEE REPORTS (*continued from Day One*)** – Bruce Corliss will introduce the UNOLS Committee Chairs who will report on their activities.

- **0835 Research Vessel Operators' Committee (RVOC)** – Joe Malbrough, RVOC Chair-Elect, will review the highlights of the 2012 RVOC meeting, Committee activities over the past year, and plans for 2013.
- **0845 Research Vessel Technical Enhancement Committee (RVTEC)** – David Fisichella, RVTEC Chair, will report on RVTEC activities in 2012 and plans for the RVTEC Annual Meeting to be hosted by LDEO.
- **0855 DEep Submergence Science Committee (DESSC)** – Peter Girguis, DESSC Chair, will report on DESSC activities and plans for their fall meeting in December.
- **0905 Arctic Icebreaker Coordinating Committee (AICC)** – AICC activities will be reported by Robin Muench (AICC Chair) including an update on 2012 science operations and 2013 plans for *Healy* and the Polar Class Icebreakers.

- **0915 Marcus Langseth Science Oversight Committee (MLSOC)** – Jon Alberts will provide an update on R/V *Langseth* operations and plans for the MLSOC fall meeting.
- **0925 Scientific Committee for Oceanographic Aircraft Research (SCOAR)** – Dan Schwartz will report on the committee's August meeting and future activities.
- **0935 Ocean Observing Science Committee (OOSC)** – Larry Atkinson will report on OOSC's activities in 2012 and future plans.

**0945 UNOLS Goals and Activities: Review the progress made on UNOLS goals and plans for the coming year:**

- **Greening the UNOLS Fleet** (Bruce Corliss – 10 minutes)
- **Polar Research Vessels Coordination: Cooperative Efforts between UNOLS, OPP, and OCE**
  - Refresh of Science Mission Requirements for a Polar Research Vessel and follow-on activities (Tim McGovern – 10 minutes)
  - OPP Regional Class Requirements for Antarctic (Stewart Lamerdin – 10 minutes)
- **UNOLS Speaker Series** (Bruce Corliss – 10 minutes)
- **2012/2013 UNOLS Goals and Priorities** – Bruce Corliss will present the 2012/2013 UNOLS Goals and Priorities as established by the UNOLS Council. (5 minutes)

**1020 Break**

**1040 Rolling Deck to Repository (R2R)** – An update on the project activities, advisory committee, and plans. (Bob Arko, LDEO)

**1050 Consortium for Ocean Leadership Report** – (Kevin Wheeler)

**1100 Interagency Working Group on Facilities and Infrastructure (IWG-FI) Update** – (RADM Devany and Bob Winokur)

**1110 UNOLS Reports:**

- Recognition of departing Council and Committee members. – Bruce Corliss
- UNOLS Appointments to Committees – Bruce Corliss
- UNOLS Dues Accounting – Jon Alberts
- UNOLS Calendar and activities at winter conferences – Jon Alberts

**1130 Meeting participants will have the opportunity to raise additional issues.**

**1200 Adjourn**

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