2013 Research Vessel Operators Committee (RVOC) Meeting

April 22 - 25, 2013*

* Safety Committee Meeting April 22, 2013
  * RVOC Meetings April 23 - 25, 2013

University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science
Chesapeake Biological Laboratory
Room 1101 of Building 480, Bernie Fowler Laboratory
Solomons, MD

MONDAY, 22 APRIL 2013
0830 – 1600 Safety Committee Meeting

TUESDAY, 23 APRIL 2013

0800    Registration, Coffee and Pastries

0830    Welcoming Remarks
        • Call to order: Joe Malbrough, RVOC Chair, will call the meeting to order and provide an opportunity for introductions around the room.
        • Bruce Cornwall, Marine Superintendent, Chesapeake Biological Laboratory
        • Guest Speaker: Dr. Thomas Miller, Director, Chesapeake Biological Laboratory

0900    Old Business:
        • Minutes of 2012 Meeting
          http://www.unols.org/meetings/2012/201204rvo/201204rvocmi.html
          Compliance Dates for Appendix B.

0905    Group Purchase updates of Shipboard Scientific Support Equipment items:
        • Development of Maximum Capability Document for Appendix B-Fred Jones/OSU
        • Bridge Watch Alarms and ECDIS- Al Suchy/WHOI
        • Desh-5 Upgrade- Doug Russell/UW
        • GSSP Upgrades- Zoltan Kelety/SIO
NEW BUSINESS

0930  **Committee and Liaison Reports** (10 minute limit)
- Final Call for Chair Elect Nominations & Election
- **UNOLS** – Jon Alberts, Executive Secretary
- Safety Committee & RVSS – Dan Oliver/UAF
- Ship Scheduling Committee – Stewart Lamerdin/MLML
- **FIC** – Al Suchy/WHOI

1000-1015  **Break/Voting**

1015  **Committee and Liaison Reports Continued** (10 minute limit)
- RHOV – Al Suchy/WHOI
- **RVTEC** – Joshua Eaton/WHOI
- **AICC** – Lee Cooper/UMCES
- **SCOAR, MLSOC, DESSC** – Jon Alberts/UNOLS
- RVOC – announcement of Chair-Elect election results

1200  **Lunch**

1300  **Agency Reports**
- NSF – Rose Dufour & Bob Houtman
- ONR & IWG-F1 – Tim Schnoor/ONR
- NOAA/OMAO – Ralph Rogers/NOAA
- USCG – Jonathan Berkson/USCG
- State Department – Kelly Cohun/ Office of Ocean & Polar Affairs

**Special Reports- 10-15 minutes**
- UNOLS Wire Pool, Cable Lubrication, Use of Synthetics – Rick Trask/WHOI
- Winch Pool & Motion Compensation – Joshua Eaton/WHOI-East Coast & Zoltan Kelety/SIO-West Coast
- Post Cruise Assessments and PCA results – Jon Alberts
- Van Pools – Bill Byam/ UDEL-East & Demian Bailey/OSU-West
- Fleet Broad Band/High Seas Net – Al Suchy/WHOI
- Handling System Updates- Bill Byam-Markey Upgrade to Caley System & Side Frame, Zoltan Kelety-Markey System on Revelle, Joshua Eaton-Jason LHS & new Rapp Hydema Winch. UNOLS standard bolting flange, Dan Oliver-Sikuliaq A-Frame
- Representatives from Foreign Countries
  - **NERC** – Geraint West and Robin Plumley
  - **NIOZ** – Dr. Erica Koning, NIOZ & OFEG report
  - **DRDC Atlantic** – Yves Perron

1500-1515  **Break**
1515 **Special Reports Continued**
- Research Vessel Updates
- **R/V SIKULIAQ** – Daniel Oliver, UAF
- Ocean Class AGOR update – Mike Prince/ONR & Chris MacDonald/PMS325

1600 **Expedition Tour of R/V RACHEL CARSON** – (limited to 30 persons)

Group Dinner 1830-2100
Catered Dinner Alliance Coastal Building

**WEDNESDAY, 24 APRIL 2013**

0800 **Coffee and Pastries**

0830 **Special Reports Continued**
- Oregon State Univ. Regional Class Research Vessel Update – Demian Bailey/OSU
- RCRV- Operation of Regional Class Research Vessels – Matt Hawkins/NSF
- Schmidt Ocean Institute – Pete Zerr & Eric King/Schmidt Ocean Institute

0900 **Group Discussion**
- Minimum Age on our ships – Jon Alberts
- Maritime Labor Convention 2006 – Dennis Nixon

1030-1045 **Break**

1045 **Group Discussion continued.**
- Cruise Personnel Manifest – Alice Doyle & Jon Alberts/UNOLS
- Science Equip. Inventory, Cruise Planning Module, Radioisotope Awareness- Alice Doyle/UNOLS

1130 **Annual Group Photo** – All Hands.

1200 **Lunch**

1300 **Guest Speaker:** Matthew Gasparich, Maritime Training Services: “Building a Smarter, Safer Maritime Community”

1400 **Ship Happens.** Admiralty Law & Insurance Update – Dennis Nixon

1500-1530 **Break**

1530 **Ship Inspection Program Update JMS** – Blake Powell/JMS Naval Architects

1600 **Expedition Tour of R/V RACHEL CARSON** – (limited to 30 persons)
THURSDAY, 25 APRIL 2013

0800  Coffee and Doughnuts

0830  Guest Speaker: Dr. Carlos Comperatore/USCG-Office of Safety & Occupational Health - “Managing the Effects of Crew Endurance Degradation on Operational Hazard Exposure”

0930-0945  Break

0945  Business Meeting
  •  Assignments to Committees
  •  Review of RVOC Action Items Pending
  •  Safety Committee actions – Dan Oliver
  •  Suggestions for 2014 Agenda
  •  Nominations and vote on 2014 meeting location

1000  Round Table discussion items
  •  Appendix B Lessons learned
  •  Sexual Harassment Prevention Training Film update – Jon Alberts
  •  Ballast Water Treatment
  •  Cable Lubrication

1100  Round Table Discussion UNOLS Marine Superintendents Only
  •  “RVOC Only” website
  •  Glosten Stability Program
  •  Providing a “normal level of support” and anything over and above becomes the responsibility of the science party.
  •  Other items of concern, interest

1200  Adjourn