Research Vessel Operator’s Committee- (RVOC) Chair Elect Ballot- April 23, 2013

Call for nominations was open from February 14, 2013 to April 19, 2013

Nominations Received: **PLEASE CIRCLE ONE**

Stephen Zoltan Kelety- Marine Superintendent, Scripps Institution of Oceanography

Michael Richter- Marine Superintendent- Skidaway Institute of Oceanography

Doug Russell- Manager of Marine Operations- University of Washington

Write-In Candidate

**RVOC- Terms of Reference**

The purpose of the Research Vessel Operator’s Committee shall be to promote cooperation, fleet standards, marine safety, efficiency, and quality of service among marine science research and educational institutions. The RVOC provides members a forum to address issues of interest such as federal regulations, security, technology, procedures, and public relations as those affect their research fleets. The RVOC holds one in-person annual meeting and conference calls during the year as needed.

**RVOC Officers**

1. The Research Vessel Operators’ Committee shall have a Chair and Chair Elect. The Chair Elect will be elected by a majority vote at the Annual Meeting. Under normal circumstances the Chair Elect will serve one three-year term and then serve one three-year term as Chair for a total of six years maximum. Date of office shall commence at the close of the Annual Meeting.

2. The Chair shall represent the Committee in all matters stipulated in the purpose of these bylaws and in all matters deemed necessary in the interest of the Committee. The Chair shall implement the programs enumerated by the Committee and shall conduct the Annual Meeting and whatever special meetings are deemed necessary by the Chair or the members.

3. The Chair Elect shall be responsible for recording the business of the Committee. The Chair shall be responsible for dissemination of information through a newsletter or other media to all members of the Committee.

4. If the Chair or Chair Elect are unable to fulfill their duties of office, the Chair shall appoint a successor to act with authority until the succeeding Annual Meeting.