

**2016 Research Vessel Operators Committee Meeting- (RVOC)  
Virginia Institute of Marine Sciences/William & Mary  
Gloucester Pt, Virginia**

**Safety Committee Meeting- Waterman Hall/ Classroom A/B  
*Mon. 18 April 2016- 0900 to 1600***

**RVOC Marine Superintendents Round Table- Closed Session-  
Waterman Hall/ McHugh Auditorium - *Tues. 19 April 0830 to 1200***

**RVOC General Meeting Opens with lunch at 1200  
Waterman Hall/ McHugh Auditorium  
*Tues. 19 April 2016 to Thurs. 21April, 2016***

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**Marine Supts. Round Table- Closed Session- Tues. 19 April, 2016**

**0830** Coffee

**0850** Welcoming Remarks- Doug Russell/UW- RVOC Chair

**0900-1200 Marine Superintendents Round Table- Separate agenda to be provided  
~1000- Coffee Break**

**1200- RVOC 2016 General Meeting Opens with lunch for all**

**1300 Welcoming Remarks**

- Call to order: Doug Russell/UW- RVOC Chair
- Dr. John T. Wells/VIMS Dean & Director- welcome remarks

**1330 Old Business**

- Minutes of 2015 Meeting-  
[http://www.unols.org/sites/default/files/201404rvoap01\\_0.pdf](http://www.unols.org/sites/default/files/201404rvoap01_0.pdf)
- Compliance Dates for Appendix B. 7/15/2016

**1335 Group Purchase updates of Shipboard Scientific Support Equipment items:**

- Dsh-5 Winch Upgrade - Doug Russell/UW
- Interest in new item?

**New Business**

- Update on Research Vessel Safety Standards (RVSS) Reissue/Jon Alberts
- Update on Council's Adhoc Committee on Pregnancy, Privacy, Harassment/Jon Alberts.

**1400 Agency Reports**

- NSF – Rose Dufour/NSF
- ONR – Tim Schnoor/ONR

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- NOAA/OMAO – Tracy Miller
- U.S. State Department /Allison Reed

### **1500-1515 Coffee Break**

#### **1515 Committee and Liaison Reports (10 minute each)**

- UNOLS Office & UNOLS Committees – Jon Alberts, Executive Secretary
- Safety Committee Report – Jeff Garrett
- Ship Scheduling Committee – Doug Ricketts/Univ. of Minn.
- FIC – Al Suchy/WHOI

#### **1600-1700 Guest Speaker Dr. John Broadwater/ Historian-Yorktown**

**“Two Ships - Two Centuries: Archaeological Research at Yorktown and Cape Hatteras”**

### **RVOC Annual Dinner 1730-2030**

VIMS Library- Waterman Hall

**Wednesday 20 April 2016**

**0800 Coffee**

**0830 Resume meeting**

#### **0830 Ship Happens/ Dennis Nixon/URI**

#### **0930 Special Reports- (10-15 minutes)**

- UNOLS Wire Pool, Cable Lubrication, Use of Synthetics – Rick Trask/WHOI
- East Coast Winch Pool-Brian Guest/WHOI
- West Coast Winch Pool-Aaron Davis/SIO
- East & West Coast Van Pools – Jon Swallow/ UDEL & Stewart Lamerdin/OSU
- Fleet Broad Band/High Seas Net – Al Suchy/WHOI
- Medical Service Update –International /SOS-MedAire/TBD
- Schmidt Ocean Institute – Eric King/Schmidt Ocean Institute
- Foreign Country Reports  
NOC-NERC – Andy Henson/NOC & Stuart Youngusband/NOC  
NIOZ & OFEG– Erica Koning/NIOZ  
CMRE/NATO Science & Technology – Ian Sage/CMRE

### **1000-1015 Break**

#### **Special Reports continued...**

#### **1115 Ship Inspection Program-**

- NSF Ship Inspection Program-Tom Janecek/NSF
- Blake Powell/JMS Naval Architects

#### **1200-1300 Lunch- followed by Group Photo**

#### **1315 New Builds and Mid-Life Refits**

- Oregon State Univ. Regional Class Research Vessel Update – Stewart Lamerdin/OSU
- R/V *Kilo Moana* Engine Control Refit/ Alan Hilton/UH
- RCRV- Operation of Regional Class Research Vessels – Rose Dufour/NSF
- R/V *Neil Armstrong* & R/V *Sally Ride* updates – Tim Schnoor/ONR & Mike Prince/ONR
- R/V *Thomas G. Thompson* Refit - AGOR 23 class- Doug Russell/UW
- R/V *Roger Revelle* Midlife Refit- Zoltan Kelety/SIO
- R/V *Barnes* replacement/Doug Russell/UW

**1415 Coffee Break- cont. with New Builds and Mid-Life Refits**

**1445-1545 UNOLS- New Vessel Planning and Delivery Issues- Panel Discussion-** Lessons learned in new vessel delivery, sea trials, acceptance tests, science verification cruise and first year scheduling- General Open Discussion among RVOC attendees.

**1600-1700 VIMS Social Hour – Durand Ward/Host**

**Thursday 21 April 2016**

**0800 Coffee**

**0830 Latest STCW Training Requirements-** Marja Van Pietersom/ PMI/MITAGS

**0930-0945 Break**

**0945 Business Meeting-**

- Assignments to Committees
- RVOC Elections
- Review of RVOC Action Items
- Safety Committee actions
- Suggestions for RVOC 2017 Agenda items
- Nominations and vote on RVOC 2017 meeting location

**1000 Round Table discussion items**

- Wheel House Technologies Software Update/Craig Parkhurst
- Wartsila Z- drives/ Tony Hughes
- Appendix A & B Lessons learned
- UNOLS Medical Service Provider Update/ Jon Alberts
- Ballast Water Treatment
- UNOLS Policy on Cable Lubrication
- Post Cruise Reports /Jon Alberts

**1200 Adjourn meeting**