



2017/2018 UNOLS Goals

- Improve quality of life and morale at sea (food, exercise, internet)
- Ensure a smooth transition for the new UNOLS Office



Improve quality of life and morale at sea

Initial survey sent to Council, RVOC, FIC, DESSC, RVTEC:

- 1) At your institution, what efforts are currently being made, or planned for the future, to improve the habitability of ships, increase morale of crew and science party, and enhance the overall quality of life at sea?
- 2) What additional changes might be needed to address these issues?
- 3) What resources do you believe are needed to make additional improvements?



Improve quality of life and morale at sea

1) What efforts are currently being made...

- Faster internet was the most common upgrade
- “nothing at all”
- workout equipment - a few said it had happened, though mostly was “needed”

2) What additional changes might be needed...

- Increased budget
- Increasing single berthing spaces
- More bandwidth
- Better common areas/social spaces
- Ships crew work rotations/sailing schedules

3) What resources are needed...

- Money / funding
- Work-Life balance for crew members as well as better wages
- Technology infrastructure (internet)
- Small changes can equal big payout - new linens, mattresses, soundproofing



Improve quality of life and morale at sea

Next steps

- Faster internet was common theme, but fleet focused on improving that already, so maybe our efforts would be better spent on other elements
- changing 'nothing at all' into something—get institutions where nothing is happening to acknowledge this as a relevant issue
- Revise survey (brainstorm a list of improvements and offer a list for ranking, or...) and take to broader audience (UNOLS members)



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