DEep Submergence Science Committee

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

Clark Building, Room 509

11-12 June 2003

MEETING BEGINS AT 8:30 AM

Day One: Wednesday, 11 June 2003

0800 Coffee and Pastries

0830 Introductory Remarks, Meeting Logistics, Introductions, Any Changes to Agenda Items, Accept minutes (Fryer)

0845 Agency and UNOLS Reports

- A. NSF Mike Reeve (comments on post cruise NDSF assessment)
- B. NOAA Barbara Moore
- C. UNOLS Peter Wiebe

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- 0915 Science Reports Patty Fryer and Debbie Kelley will report on their recent cruises:
 - Patty Fryer THOMPSON/Jason 2
- Debbie Kelley ATLANTIS/ALVIN

0930 National Facility Operators Report (Pittenger/WHOI Personnel)

- A. NDSF Vehicle Operations Summary
- B. Status report on the archiving of all deep submergence data in the WHOI archives (Fornari)

0955 Upgrades to National Facility Vehicles, Science Sensors, and ATLANTIS (WHOI-DSF Personnel)

- A. ALVIN and ROV equipment and operations
- **B.** ATLANTIS Improvements status
- 1015 Mid-morning break

1030 Upgrades to NDSF (continued)

C. Annual request for upgrades to science sensors and operational capabilities of NDSF vehicles - joint WHOI/DESSC (biology input responses)

- D. Status of Rock Drill Proposal
- E. Tool Sleds and Third Party Tools Compatibility with other deep submergence facilities

1100 Deep Submergence Scheduling: 2004 and Beyond

- A. Review of facility requests and identification of funded programs (DeSilva)
- B. Review strawman schedule for 2004 and beyond (Alberts)

1115 Winter Meeting Strategies – There will be no agency funding to support a DESSC meeting at the San Francisco Fall AGU meeting. The agencies are willing to support a DESSC meeting at one of the winter biology meetings.

- A. Discuss DESSC participation at:
- a. Fall AGU 8-12 Dec 2003, San Francisco, CA
 - i. Session Proposals 20 May 2003
 - ii. On-line Abstracts 4 September
- b. 2004 Ocean Sciences Meeting, AGU 26-30 Jan 2004, Portland, OR
 - i. Session Proposals 14 May 2003
 - ii. Abstracts 16 Oct
- c. 2004 Ocean Research Conference, ASLO 15-20 Feb 2004, Honolulu, HI
 - i. Session Proposals 27 May, 2003
- B. Identify potential presenters
- a. New ALVIN paper/poster
- b. Jason 2 capabilities and initial operations

1200 Lunch Break

1300 OSB Committee on Future Deep Submergence Facility Needs - Meeting review and tasking of DESSC for responses. (This topic will be revisited on 6/12)

1400 Long-Range Planning Issues

A. Science/logistical constraints, different vehicle requests - Additional Long-Range Planning and dissemination of funded programs information to potential PIs.

- B. Future global deep submergence initiatives
- a. RIDGE2000
- b. Margins
- c. Observatories

1430 Break

1445 UNOLS Working Group on Ocean Observatory Facility Needs (as they relate to deep submergence facilities)

1505 Outreach, Education and Archeology

- A. Archeology
- B. RIDGE Lectureship Program (Dan)
- C. NDSF DVD (Dan's NSF presentation)
- D. Other Items
- 1545 Discussion of replacements on the DESSC. Mark Chaffey will complete his first term.

1600 WHOI Reports (J. Luyten):

- NDSF and WHOI Marine Operations (F. Sayles) Committee Recommendations
- NDSF Chief Scientist Replacement

1620 Operational Summary of Other Deep Submergence Activities (Fryer)

- A. MBARI Mark Chaffey
- B. MPL (ATV?)
- C. Navy
- D. NURP & Ocean Exploration
- E. ROPOS
- F. HURL
- G. HBOI (defer to 6/12)

Day Two: Thursday, 12 June 2003

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- **0800** Coffee and Pastries
- **0830** Review of Day-One Discussions (Fryer)
- 0845 Other Facilities: HBOI report (Shirley Pomponi)
- **0855** SSSC update (Shirley Pomponi)
- 0915 New Alvin Construction Advisory Committee update (NADAC will meet at 1230 in the PM)
- 1015 Mid-morning Break

1030 OSB Committee tasking from the Future of Deep Submergence Science study. DESSC preparation of written responses.

- 1145 Other business
- 1200 DESSC Adjourn

1230 NADAC Meeting, Clark 509