

Fleet Improvement Committee

United States Coast Guard Icebreaker, *USCGC HEALY*

March 21-22, 2000

Tuesday, March 21, 2000 (Norfolk, VA)

9:00 am FIC Welcome and Introduction - FIC meeting participants will convene in the HEALY Conference Room. Larry Atkinson will welcome the Committee and review meeting logistics.

9:10 am Discussion of Agenda Items - Review agenda and identify any needed modifications.

9:20 am Accept Minutes - Accept the minutes of the November 9-10, 1999 FIC Meeting.

9:30 am Report from UNOLS – Jack Bash will report on UNOLS activities over the past year and plans for the future.

9:45 am Agency Reports - NSF, ONR, NOAA, and USCG representatives will provide agency reports.

10:30 am Break

10: 50 am The Need for New SMR's - There will be a discussion on the need for new Science Mission Requirements.

11:15 am Future Science Needs - Prior to the meeting FIC members were asked to review the NSF Futures disciplinary reports and identify future science needs. Can these research needs be met using existing facilities? Are additional facilities needed?

12:00 pm Lunch Break

1:00 pm FIC's guidelines for new ship acquisition - Draft guidelines for new ship acquisition will be reviewed. The guidelines are intended to help define FIC's future role in this process.

1:30 pm FIC/Agency Activities - How does FIC interact/assist agency activities relating to fleet planning?

2:00 pm FIC and Alaska - The relationship/communications between FIC and the University of Alaska in replacement plans for ALPHA HELIX will be discussed.

2:20 pm Break

2:40 pm AGOR 26 Update - Sujata Millick will provide an update on the AGOR26 project.

3:00 pm CAPE HENLOPEN Replacement Plans - University of Delaware's plans for replacement of CAPE HENLOPEN will be reviewed.

3:20 pm Impact of New Institutional Vessels on the Fleet - A discussion on how the new, small and capable SAVANNAH, GULF CHALLENGER, SLOVER (ODU's new vessel) will impact the fleet.

Tour of HEALY - A tour of HEALY will be offered on Day 1.

5:00 pm Adjourn Day 1 Business

9:00 am The UNOLS Biennial Review of Sea Going Oceanographic Facilities – Larry will review progress on the report and discuss strategy for increasing input.

10:00 am General Business

- Review of FIC Member Terms
- Scheduling of Next Meeting
- Recap of FIC Action Items

10:15 am Break

10:30 am Regional Ship Planning - Lee Black (BBSR) will discuss regional ship planning efforts. Regional ships include the CAPE Class vessels. The group's planning efforts will address mid-life refits, SMRs, timelines, and replacements.

Adjourn FIC Meeting