

The Nominating Committee will issue a call for nominations enumerating the positions to be filled and summarizing the qualifications required for each position. Nominations for the slate may be submitted by anyone affiliated with a UNOLS institution, in writing, to the UNOLS Office or the Nominating Committee. In forming the slate, the Nominating Committee shall give due consideration to the qualifications required for each position as well as for maintaining appropriate balance among institutions from different regions having different facilities. Individuals should be chosen to achieve a balance among scientific user disciplines. Nominations of additional candidates may also be made from the floor during the meetings. Such nominations may be made only by designated representatives of UNOLS institutions, and must be accompanied by the nominee's concurrence and qualifications.

A slate of candidates will be prepared for distribution at least 30 days in advance of elections consisting of at least two candidates for each position being considered.

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Appendix XIX

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Summary of Recent Developments in Marine Operations at RSMAS,
Joint Operations w/HBOI, and SECOR

(Revised by Prof. Chris Mooers, 12JUN97)

I. UM/RSMAS

-R/V Columbus Iselin: sold to Mexican corporation, Nov 96, for \$1.335M;
10% commission paid to broker, left a net of \$1.2M; \$0.5M dedicated
as match for a private donation dedicated to R/V construction; \$0.7M
currently available for outfitting or matching

-R/V Calanus: dry docked 4/97, strong schedule demand for FY98
(222 days requested; 140 days funded)

-ca. 80 foot catamaran (R/V Calanus replacement):

- design/build bids being evaluated by naval architect firm
- selection of builder pending bid evaluation
- NASON Foundation funds of \$0.5M for R/V construction have been stabilized, contingent upon timely progress
- RSMAS Advancement Office seeking \$2M donation to complete R/V construction and outfit R/V
- AOML letter-of-intent received for 60 days per annum for 5 years

- decision to construct pending finalization of financials
 - NSF proposal for Major Research Instrumentation for replacement R/V was rejected but will be re-submitted next year
- Dodge Island space being relocated to another building

II. RSMAS/HBOI joint ship operations

- broad MOU signed (covers more than ship ops)
- Ship Users Advisory Committee (SUAC) established and functioning, Chair Dr. Tom Lee/RSMAS and Vice-Chair Dr. Craig Young/HBOI
- Cooperative Marine Operations (CMOP) continue
- HBOI Marine Operations Building completed, RSMAS Marine Technology Group lab set up there
- one RSMAS marine technician (plan to hire another one) based at HBOI; three based at RSMAS

III. SECOR

- MOU operative
- core members: RSMAS, TAMU, and U/T (Austin)
- associate member: AOML
- science workshop held 21 to 23APR, Stennis Space Center; USM host
 - ca. 40 participants from ca. 20 institutions from the five Gulf states were present, plus AOML, SEFSC, NRL, CNMOC, NAVO, and EPA

- CORE and SAML were represented but not UNOLS
- focus on advocacy, partnering, cooperative research, and effective (shared) use of facilities and personnel
- interest in SECOR Web homepage development established (w/LSU lead)
- three science themes adopted
 - Gulf of Mexico large marine ecosystem, with real-time network of continental shelf stations
 - Intra-Americas Sea transport pathways and eddy variability applied to climate variability, fisheries recruitment, and pollutant transport
 - sustainability of marine habitats: corals, seagrasses, and mangroves

- report due in JUN

-follow-up (and fallout) from science workshop yet to be determined;

however, two working groups have already been formed: one to propose a set of SECOR by-laws, and the other to propose a real-time network of Gulf of Mexico shelf stations