

UNOLS COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

Wednesday, February 7th

- **Tours** of the NAVOCEANO Facility and Halter Marine Shipyard is being planned.
- **0830-0900** Command Brief - Room 162
- **0900-0945** Visualization Lab
- **0945-1015** Super Computer
- **1015-1100** WSC
- **1300-1530** Travel to HMI Shipyard - Moss Point, MS
- **1530 Tour** of REVELLE/ATLANTIS

8:30 a.m. - February 8-9, 1996

Naval Oceanographic Office, Room 162, Stennis Space Center, Mississippi

Thursday, 8th - Friday, 9th

- **Call the Meeting:** Ken Johnson, UNOLS Chair, will call the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. February 8, 1996.
- **Opening Remarks and Welcome Aboard:** CAPT Rudolph, NAVOCEANO, will address the Council.
- **Accept Minutes of September 1995 Council Meeting.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Research Vessel Operators' Committee** - Mike Prince, Chair, will report on the outcome of the 1995 RVOC Annual Meeting and plans for the upcoming year.
- **DEep Submergence Science Committee** - Mike Perfit, Chair, will provide a summary of the December DESSC Meeting. This will include a summary of deep submergence operation plans for 1996, ALVIN's overhaul and DESSC's recommendations for operations in 1997 and beyond.
- **Fleet Improvement Committee** - Chris Mooers, Chair, will report on the recent Fleet Improvement Committee meeting and activities in progress. This will include a review of the Science Mission Requirements for a Coastal Vessel.
- **Ship Scheduling Committee** - Don Moller, Chair, will review the 1995 ship schedules and the status of the Fleet's schedule for 1996.
- **Research Vessel Technical Enhancement Committee** - Rich Findley will report on the results of the 1995 RVTEC meeting and review plans for the upcoming year.
- **AGENCY REPORTS:** Reports from agency representatives on funding outlooks and special projects:
 - NSF (E. Dieter)
 - ONR (S. Millick)
 - NOAA (CAPT. M. Mulhern)
 - NURP (E. Smith)
 - USCG (CDR R. Rooth)
 - OON (P. Dennis)
 - DOS (T. Cocke) will provide an update on foreign clearance problems.
 - NAVOCEANO (CAPT. D. Rudolph) will report on their Fleet's activities and plans for the future, including potential use of UNOLS Vessels.

UNOLS ISSUES:

- **Potential Changes on the Horizon for the UNOLS Fleet** - Peter Betzer will lead a discussion on

the recently published report addressing the current and projected funding environment with recommended courses of action to deal with the shortfalls. B. Raleigh's letter dated 17 Jan 96 regarding plans for MOANA WAVE's replacement will be discussed.

- **Building New Partnerships** - Ken Johnson will provide an update of his efforts to build new partnerships with potential supporters/users of the UNOLS Fleet.
- **FOFCC** - Ken Johnson will report on the outcome of the FOFCC meeting held on 3 October.
- **JOI/CORE** - Ken Johnson will report on the UNOLS meeting with Admiral Watkins and future CORE/UNOLS relationships.
- **Arctic Facilities Committee** - Ken Johnson will report on the status of efforts to establish a High Latitude Coordinating Committee. He will review the draft charge for such a committee.
- **Diving Safety Meeting Update** - Jack Bash will provide an update on the diving safety meeting held in October.
- **Internet Update** - Jack Bash will update the Council on the latest developments regarding UNOLS' use of the Internet including development of an electronic ship time form.
- **SeaNet Update** - Rich Findley will report on the SeaNet field trial conducted this fall in the Indian Ocean.
- **White Paper on the Benefits of the UNOLS Fleet** - Jack Bash will provide an update on the status of the White Paper.
- **FIC Studies** - Chris Mooers will report on the Van Study and study on safety responsibilities aboard UNOLS ships.
- **Primer/Small Boat Inventory** - Jack Bash will give an update on the status of the Primer and Small Boat Inventory.
- **Post Cruise Assessment Report** - Mike Prince will report on the development efforts for new Post Cruise Assessment reporting.
- **Methods for Assessing UNOLS Fleet Performance** - Ken Johnson will lead a discussion of alternative methods to quantitatively assess performance of the UNOLS Fleet.
- **DoC's Fishing Vessel Buy Out Program** - Jack Bash will report on UNOLS involvement in this program.
- **Physical Exam Standards** - Jack Bash will report on the RVOC subcommittee's efforts to develop standards for vessel crew members.
- **Nuclear Submarine for Oceanographic Research** - Jack Bash will report on the status of the SOONS update.
- **ATLANTIS Modifications** - Dick Pittenger will provide an update on the construction status and schedule for the ATLANTIS modifications to support submersible and ROV operations.
- **Ship Refits/Construction** - NEW HORIZON mid-life refit update - Bob Knox
 - POINT SUR's overhaul status - Mike Prince
 - CAPE HATTERAS "stretch" proposal status
 - BLUE FIN replacement plans
 - U.Conn's ship construction plans
 - ATLANTIS and REVELLE construction status - B. Knox and R. Pittenger
- **Radio Operator/GPS** - Dick Pittenger will update the Council on the status of the Radio Operator Situation and introducing GPS to the rest of the UNOLS Fleet.
- **100 -Foot Vessels** - Discussion on UNOLS position regarding the addition of 100-foot vessels into the Fleet.
- **UNOLS Membership Dues Accounting** - Jack Bash will provide an accounting of UNOLS membership dues.
- **UNOLS Committee Appointments** - Mike Perfit and Rich Findley will announce appointments for DESSC and RVTEC Vice Chair.
- **UNOLS Council Membership:** Form a Nominating Committee to replace those Council members completing terms. The terms of Ken Johnson, Chair; Peter Betzer, Vice Chair; Dave Karl and Tom Royer are expiring. Johnson and Royer can be nominated for second terms. See Attachment 1.
- **Calendar for UNOLS Meetings** - The Council will discuss the summer meeting site.

MEETING SCHEDULE 1996:

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DATES
5-6 February

LOCATION
Stennis Space Ctr, MS

UNOLS Council	8-9 February	Stennis Space Ctr, MS
Ship Scheduling Review	25 June	NSF, Arlington, VA
DESSC	28-30 May	Woods Hole, MA
FIC	20-21 June	ODU, Norfolk, VA
UNOLS Council	25-26 July	Orlando, FL
Ship Scheduling Meeting & Review	9 September	NSF, Arlington, VA
UNOLS Council	19 September	NSF, Arlington, VA
UNOLS Annual	20 September	NSF, Arlington, VA
RVOC	22-24 October	St. Petersburg, FL
RVTEC	11-13 November	Fort Pierce, FL
DESSC	14 December	San Francisco, CA

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Adjournment