

# UNOLS COUNCIL MEETING

**Thursday, 19 September 1996, 8:30 a.m.**  
**National Science Foundation, Room 1235**  
**4201 Wilson Boulevard**  
**Arlington, VA**

## Meeting Agenda

**Call the Meeting:** Ken Johnson, UNOLS Chair, will call the meeting to order at 0830 hrs 19 September 1996.

**Accept Minutes of July, 1996 Meeting.**

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

(Reports should be limited to changes since the July Council Meeting)

**Research Vessel Operators' Committee** - Mike Prince, Chair, will provide an update summary of RVOC activities.

**DEep Submergence Science Committee** - Mike Perfit, Chair, will report on the updated ALVIN and ROV operations.

**Fleet Improvement Committee** - Eric Firing will report on the progress of FIC activities.

**Ship Scheduling Committee** - Don Moller, Chair, will summarize the 9 September Ship Scheduling and Schedule Review meetings highlighting those ships with less than optimum schedules for 1997 and new programs of both NOAA and NAVO.

**Research Vessel Technical Enhancement Committee** - Rich Findley, Chair, will provide an updated report on the progress of RVTEC.

## AGENCY REPORTS

Reports from representatives of NSF (D. Heinrichs), ONR (S. Millick), NOAA (Capt. Mulhern), NURP (B. Moore), USCG (CDR Rooth) on funding outlooks and special projects. The Department of State (T. Cocke) will provide an update on foreign clearance problems. Pat Dennis (OON) will report on matters from the Oceanographer of the Navy and NAVOCEANO.

## UNOLS ISSUES

**Congressional Funds for a SWATH Vessel** - Ken Johnson will lead a discussion on the issues surrounding the possible Congressional funds for a SWATH.

**Arctic Icebreaker Coordinating Committee** - Ken Johnson will review for the Council the progress of setting up this new UNOLS Committee. A vote on the new Annex VI is scheduled for the Annual meeting (see **Enclosure 1**).

**Preliminary FIP98** - There will be a discussion on the Preliminary Fleet Improvement Plan for 1998.

**UNOLS Review** - Jack Bash will present a pre-proposal on the UNOLS Office support for discussion and consensus. (**Enclosure 2**)

**NOAA/UNOLS Cooperation** - Ken Johnson will lead a discussion on the NOAA/UNOLS cooperation planning including the possibility of NOAA labs becoming UNOLS members.

**Rethinking the Status of a UNOLS Research Vessel** - Bob Wall will follow up on his subcommittee work of (re)defining what it means to be a UNOLS Vessel.

**Post Cruise Assessments** - Peter Betzer and Mike Prince will review progress in redesign of the Post Cruise Assessment reports.

**Scheduling Procedure** - Don Moller will discuss evolving changes in the scheduling procedures. Are more changes needed?

**New Ship Construction** - Bob Knox and Dick Pittenger will update the Council on the status of the REVELLE and ATLANTIS.

**Mid-Life Refits** - Bob Knox and Mike Prince will discuss the progress of mid-life refits for the NEW HORIZON and POINT SUR respectively.

**SECOR Update** - Virginia Powell will provide an update on the activities of SECOR.

**UNOLS Council Membership:** Peter Betzer, nominating committee chair, will present the slate for the membership elections. The terms of Ken Johnson, Chair; Peter Betzer, Vice-Chair; Tom Royer, Operator Representative and David Karl, At-large Representative are expiring. Ken Johnson and Tom Royer are eligible for second terms.

**UNOLS Charter** - Vote to readopt Annex V of the UNOLS Charter, "The Research Vessel Technical Enhancement Committee," as amended.

**Annual Meeting** - Ken Johnson will briefly discuss the plans for the UNOLS Annual Meeting scheduled for 20 September 1996.

**Calendar for UNOLS Meetings** - The Council will discuss the winter meeting site.

#### **Meeting Schedule**

<b>MEETING</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>DATES</b>
AICC	Arlington, VA	11-12 September 1996
DESSC (Mini)	Arlington, VA	18 September 1996
UNOLS Council	Arlington, VA	19 September 1996
UNOLS Annual	Arlington, VA	20 September 1996
RVOC	St. Petersburg, FL	22-24 October 1996
RVTEC	Ft. Pierce, FL	11-13 November 1996
FIC	TBD	TBD
DESSC	San Francisco, CA	14 December 1996

*Adjournment*

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**A wine and cheese reception is scheduled for 1800 to 2000 hrs in the Renaissance Arlington Hotel Ballroom.**

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