

UNIVERSITY-NATIONAL OCEANOGRAPHIC LABORATORY SYSTEM

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ALPHA HELIX
Review Committee

MINUTES

ALPHA HELIX Review Committee Meeting
Woods Hole, Mass., May 2-3, 1977

A meeting of the ALPHA HELIX Review Committee was held May 2 and 3, 1977, at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Carriage House, Woods Hole, Mass.

The Agenda, appended was adopted, but several items were added and are reported below.

The following were present: Drs. Vera Alexander (Ch.), E. Chin, J. Costlow, O. Holm-Hansen, J. Jannasch, H. Steinbach, T. Stetson, S. Toye and T. Forhan.

Action taken by the Committee was as follows:

MINUTES

The Minutes of the last meeting, November 18, 1976, were adopted, however the "Guidelines" were held for further discussion at the request of Dr. Holm-Hansen.

CHARGE

Dr. Alexander gave a short charge to the Committee, clarifying its function and relation to NSF.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

It was voted to add the SIO appointee to the Executive Committee as an ex-officio member, with voting prerogative. The Executive Committee is therefore made up as follows: the AHRC chairperson, past chairperson and other AHRC members, plus the Scripps' appointee.

MAINTENANCE

Dr. Holm-Hansen mentioned investigators using ALPHA HELIX were not providing funds in their budgets for maintenance of the equipment aboard. While this had been creating problems it was now being handled differently.

PRIOR USERS

Dr. Holm-Hansen suggested it would be useful to PMO to know if an investigator had used ALPHA HELIX before and what his publishing record was as a result of his expedition. UNOLS Office will undertake to modify the advertising flyer to elicit this information.

PROPOSALS

Letters of intent and proposals were considered by geographic areas and assigned an indication of suitability to ALPHA HELIX.

Statements to be made to potential investigators were agreed upon, and in the afternoon of May 3rd were written out and mailed the next day. Copies of these letters are appended.

S. Toye introduced a statement to be incorporated in the letter to the potential P.I.s which should improve communication between P.M.O. and P.I.

SCHEDULE

A review of three or four possible schedules developed by Scripps were next discussed, and one that best accommodated approved programs was roughed out. A copy follows these minutes. It should be noted the dates shown are approximate and are subject to adjustment by agreement among PMO, MARFAC, principal investigator and the vessel.

ANNUAL REPORT

Annex II of the UNOLS Charter calls for an annual report to UNOLS Advisory Council. T. Stetson will draft one covering the past year and submit it to the Chairman as soon as possible.

FACILITY REVIEW

A short review of past work for the benefit of attendees at the UNOLS Annual Meeting, May 12-13 was requested by Advisory Council Chairman, Dr. R. Dugdale. As Dr. R. Fisher is planning to attend, Dr. Holm-Hansen will convey this request so that Dr. Fisher may be prepared.

GUIDELINES

At the request of Dr. Holm-Hansen, the Guidelines were reviewed and certain changes suggested and agreed upon in principle. PMO will now work out text and then transmit this version to V. Alexander. If acceptable, the document then goes to T. Stetson for reproduction and distribution to the Committee, PMO and others requesting it.

FLYER

May is a popular time for meetings. There appeared to be no opposition to mailing AH flyer earlier and setting March 1st as the deadline for receipt of proposals.

NEW CHAIRMAN

Dr. E. Chin was elected Chairman for two years and agreed to serve. His term was to expire this June, but now is extended for three years, subject to approval at the UNOLS Annual Meeting this May.

NEW MEMBERS

The Advisory Council recommended Drs. R. Lasker (NOAA/NMFS) and C. Miller (OSU) as replacements for those whose terms were expiring. They were contacted and accepted, subject to approval at UNOLS Annual Meeting.

In order to broaden the scope of work the ALPHA HELIX might attract it was decided to add additional expertise to the Review Committee. UNOLS Charter does not set a limit to Committee size. Therefore, it was agreed to prepare the following slate to the Advisory Council to present to UNOLS Annual Meeting.

1. R. Lasker vs C. Miller (one for 3 years) and
2. J. Neel (U. of Mich.) vs. Wm. Hulet (U. of Texas) (one for 3 yrs)
3. E. Chin for 3 years

In Neel vs. Hulet, if either declines, it will be proposed the other serve to broaden the expertise of the Committee.

NEXT MEETING

Dr. Costlow offered to host the next meeting at Beaufort, N.C. If flyer is mailed earlier this would therefore be in March 1978.

Meeting adjourned at 1135, May 3rd, to dispatch letters to P.I.s



T. Stetson, UNOLS
Executive Secretary
4 May 1977

Dist:

AHRC:

V. Alexander
J. Case
E. Chin
J. Costlow
O. Holm-Hansen
H. Jannasch
W. Sackett
H. Steinbach

PMO
NSF/OFS S. Toye

ALPHA HELIX TENTATIVE SCHEDULE
as developed at ALPHA HELIX Review Committee Meeting May 2-3, 1977

CAUTION: This Tentative Schedule is subject to agreement and adjustment by PMO & MARFAC in collaboration with the chief scientist.

10Oct.77 Out of Yard	Markert Ogden Leg I & II	Belize Colon
23-28Dec.77 Christmas		
28Dec.77-25Jan.78	Haschemeyer	Baltra(Galapagos Is.)
28Jan.-14Feb.78	Lewin/Cheng	Balboa
18Feb.-21Mar.78	Rhinehart, et al	Colon, Belize
25Mar.-13Apr.78	Newman, Southward	Mazatlan
13Apr.-1June78	Open Gulf of Calif.	(Balboa?)
1June-10Aug.78	Bartholomew	(Balboa)
10Aug.-30Sept.78	Prange	(Colon)
10Oct.78 to 10Oct.79	10 mos. science in Western Pacific with 2 mos. overhaul, Spring '79, at Guam?	
Nov. '79 - Feb. '80	Possibility to Antarctica?	