

Revised: October 6, 2004

*Tentative Agenda*  
**UNOLS COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Thursday, October 14, 2004, 8:30 am**  
**National Science Foundation**  
**Stafford II Building, 555**

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**0800 Coffee and Pastries**

**0830 Call the Meeting:** Tim Cowles, UNOLS Chair, will call the meeting to order and provide an opportunity for introductions.

- **Accept the minutes of the [July 2004 Council Meeting](#).**

**0845 Academic Fleet Renewal Activities and Plans:**

- Summary of FOFC Plans for Update of their Academic Fleet Long-Range Renewal Plan
- FIC Meeting Summary – Plans and Recommendations (Dave Hebert)
  - Fleet Improvement Plan Update
  - Revised retirement dates and SLEP Estimates
  - Global Class Mid-Life Refit Planning and Science Mission Requirements
  - Other Items
- Federal Agency Plans for Fleet Renewal Implementation:
  - Regional Class Planning – Acquisition Status, RFP for Operator and IPT, UNOLS rep to IPT – (NSF – Mike Reeve)
  - Ocean Class Planning – Phase II study and Next steps (Navy –John Freitag)
  - NOAA – Beth White
- Other Facility Planning:
  - USCG POLAR Class Icebreaker Science Operations, Service Life Extension Plans, and Major Issues – Carin Ashjian & Jon Berkson/Tom Wojahn
  - Deep Submergence Facilities – Replacement for ALVIN and HROV (Annette DeSilva)
  - Aircraft (John Bane)
- Open Discussion and Identification of Fleet Renewal Issues that require Council Attention. For background material, click on: <[Regional Class SMR Priorities](#)> and <[Ocean Class Phase II Study](#)>.
  - Funding for Ocean Class Design and Construction
  - UNOLS Rep to IPT for Regional Class Vessels
  - UNOLS Input to RFPs for Regional IPTs and Operators
  - Operation Cost Estimates for New Vessels
  - Crew Sizes
  - Other Issues

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**A mid morning 15-minute break will be called at 1015.**

**1200 Lunch****UNOLS Discussion Items:**

**1300 Conflicts of Interest on UNOLS Council and Committee** – NSF Legal Counsel and Agency Program Managers will address the issue of conflict of interest and provide guidance regarding membership nominations to UNOLS Council and Committees.

**1320 Marine Mammals and Acoustic Permitting Issues**

- Review status of ongoing studies and implications for permitting process (Sandy Shor)
- Report on restructuring of NMFS Office of Protected Resources (Steve Leathery/NMFS)
- Discuss requirements for any future UNOLS action.

**1400 Spectrum Management Issues** – Frequency Spectrum Managers from NOAA, NSF, Navy and the NAS's CORF will discuss spectrum management issues and how to better coordinate issues related to the ocean sciences.

**1440 Break**

**1500 Guidelines for Becoming a UNOLS Vessel** – Review latest draft  
<[guidelines\\_unols\\_vessel\\_093004.pdf](#)>

**1510 Establishment of a National Oceanographic Facility – Seismic Vessel** - Mike Purdy has sent a letter to Tim Cowles providing the status and plans for the seismic vessel, LEGEND. The letter is available at <[LDEO\\_ltr092404.pdf](#)>. As a Council action - form a subcommittee to address establishment of the National Oceanographic Facility and formation of a Science Oversight Committee.

**1530 Defined Levels of Technician/Instrumentation Support** – Review status.

**1540 Review draft UNOLS objectives, priorities and goals for 2004 –2005** – Mike Prince

**1600 Opportunity for Additional Reports:**

- **Committee Reports** – Committee Chairs will have an opportunity to raise issues requiring Council attention. Full reports on their past year's committee activities and plans for the upcoming year should be provided at the Annual meeting.
- **Agency Representatives**
- **Council Members**

**Other Business:**

- [Annual meeting](#) - If needed, review plans for meeting on 10/15/04.
- Nominating Committee – [review slate](#)
- Calendar of UNOLS meetings for 2004/2005, Winter activities

***Adjourn***

