

UNOLS SHIP SCHEDULING COMMITTEE MEETING

National Science Foundation, Room 1235
4201 Wilson Boulevard
Arlington, VA

9 September 1996 - 0830 Hrs.

AGENDA

The Ship Scheduling Committee meeting will be called into session by Don Moller, Chair.

AGENCY PRESENTATIONS. Representatives from NSF, ONR and NOAA will provide scheduling guidance, science program ship requirements and priorities, science funding decisions, ship operation funding outlook and related matters for the 1997 scheduling year.

NAVAL OCEANOGRAPHIC OFFICE. Representatives from NAVOCEANO will give a briefing on the operational requirements of the Navy programs recently presented for scheduling on board UNOLS vessels during 1997.

REVIEW AND UPDATE SCHEDULES. Each scheduler will present and update their respective ship(s) schedule and cost information. View graph(s) for this presentation are recommended.

IDENTIFY CONFLICTS AND UNSOLVED ISSUES. There will be a discussion of cruises with scientific and operational conflicts, double booked cruises, and unscheduled programs. (Note: We will attempt to account for all cruises on the inventory list distributed by the UNOLS Office.)

COSTS. The UNOLS Office will provide a summary of projected cost figures for vessel operations in CY-'97.

ELECTIONS. The terms of both the Chair and co-Chair of the Ship Scheduling Committee of UNOLS expire at the end of 1996. Nominations for the positions will be solicited from the floor. These are two year terms ending in 1998. A vote will follow closing of nominations.

GENERAL DISCUSSION. There are significant changes occurring in the environment in which the UNOLS Fleet operates. Projected funding reductions, expansion of the partnerships with NOAA and NAVOCEANO, an increase in the number of PIs from non-UNOLS academia, an increase in the number of large multi-ship, multi-year programs and changes in the very nature of the science programs themselves all directly affect the way the Fleet is utilized and scheduled. There will be a discussion of the effect that these and other changes are having on the UNOLS ship scheduling process. Discussion of procedural changes, if any, necessary to improve responsiveness to the scientist user and to attain cost effective efficient utilization of the Fleet.

PRE-MEETING ACTION. All ship's schedules should be posted on the OCEANIC bulletin board. Cost figures in the following format for both 1996 and 1997 should be passed to the UNOLS Office no later than 4 September 1996.

1996	NSF	NAVY	OTHER	TOTAL	DAY RATE
SHIP DAYS					
COST \$K					
1997	NSF	NAVY	OTHER	TOTAL	DAY RATE
SHIP DAYS					

COST \$K

Costs for 1996 should be your latest projection. Costs for 1997 should be realistic estimates. (over)

WHAT TO BRING TO THE MEETING:

1. View graph(s) to illustrate your 1997 schedule.
2. View graph(s) of the cruise track for 1997. (A hard copy for the record is requested.)
3. An extra copy of UNOLS Ship Time Request forms not on file at the UNOLS Office.