# **UNOLS COUNCIL MEETING**

1300 hrs. 12 September 1995 0830 hrs. 13 September 1995 National Science Foundation, Board Room 1235 4201 Wilson Boulevard Arlington, VA

### **AGENDA**

Call the Meeting: Ken Johnson, UNOLS Chair, will call the meeting to order at 1300 hrs. 12 September 1995.

Accept Minutes of April 1995 Meeting.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Research Vessel Operators' Committee** - Mike Prince, Chair, will provide an updated summary of the plans of the upcoming RVOC meeting in San Diego, CA scheduled for 24-26 October 1995.

**DEep Submergence Science Committee** - Mike Perfit, Chair, will report on the updated ALVIN and ROV operation plans for 1996 along with a brief overview of the DESSC meeting held at WHOI on 31 May through 2 June, 1995.

**Fleet Improvement Committee** - Chris Mooers, Chair, will report on the results of the FIC meeting held in Seward, Alaska 20 - 21 July 1995. Chris will review courses of action and status for the various FIC projects.

**Ship Scheduling Committee** - Don Moller, Chair, will summarize the 1995 ship schedules and provide the results of the 11/12 September Ship Scheduling and Schedule Review meetings. Don will report the funding shortfall, if any, for the 1996 UNOLS ship operations.

**Research Vessel Technical Enhancement Committee** - Rich Findley, Chair, will report on the progress of RVTEC in 1995 and the plans for the RVTEC annual meeting to be held in Monterey, CA 16-18 October, 1995.

**AGENCY REPORTS** - Reports from representative's of NSF (D. Heinrichs), ONR (J. Andrews), NOAA (Capt. Mulhern), DOE (C. Wirick), NURP (H. Frey), and USCG (Capt. Summy) on funding outlooks and special projects. The U.S. 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.

**GUEST SPEAKER** - Al Sutherland will speak on the POLAR DUKE replacement (R/V L.M. GOULD).

#### **UNOLS ISSUES**

Potential Changes on the Horizon for the UNOLS Fleet - Peter Betzer will provide a draft of a paper authored by an ad hoc committee that discusses the current and projected funding environment with recommended courses of action to deal with the shortfalls. The ad hoc committee members are: P. Betzer.

R. Knox, C. Mooers, R. Pittenger, D. Hayes and R. Wall.

**Customer Satisfaction Survey** - Chris Mooers will summarize the results of the Customer Satisfaction Survey and suggest ways to address the problem areas.

**Assessment Reports** - Mike Prince will discuss the proposed assessment report form (Enclosure 1).

White Paper on Regional Consortia - Chris Mooers will present a revised White Paper on the advantages of Regional Consortia.

**Arctic Facilities Committee** - The ad hoc committee of Tom Royer, Cindy Lee and Dave Karl will report on their findings as to the need for a UNOLS Committee to coordinate Arctic facilities.

**Science Committee for HEALY** - Chris Mooers will discuss his progress on a science committee to provide the Coast Guard advice on the science mission for HEALY.

**New Ship Construction** - Bob Knox and Dick Pittenger will update the Council on the construction status of REVELLE and ATLANTIS. Jim Andrews will review the status of the study to modify AGOR 25 as a support ship for ALVIN.

**Mid-Life Refits** - Bob Knox and Mike Prince will discuss the progress of mid-life refits for NEW HORIZON and POINT SUR respectively. Jack Bash will report on the possible stretch of CAPE HATTERAS and the MARCO proposal.

**Nuclear Submarine for Oceanographic Research** - Jack Bash will report on the status of the September 1994 workshop report. An open discussion will be held on the direction UNOLS should go with this issue.

**Radio Operator/GPS** - Dick Pittenger will update the Council on the status of the Radio Operator problem and introducing GPS to the rest of the UNOLS fleet.

Internet Update - Jack Bash will report on the progress of UNOLS' use of Internet.

**UNOLS Council Membership**: Dave Karl, Nominating Committee Chair, will present the slate for the membership elections. The terms of Dick Pittenger, At-large seat, and Bob Wall, Non-operator seat, will be expiring. Both are eligible for second terms.

**UNOLS Committee Appointments** - Chris Mooers and Mike Perfit will announce nominations for FIC and DESSC.

**Annual Meeting** - Ken Johnson will briefly discuss the plans for the UNOLS Annual Meeting scheduled for 14 September 1995.

Calendar for UNOLS Meetings - The Council will discuss the winter meeting site. It has been suggested that the Council meet the same week as the FIC meeting at the NAVOCEANO facilities Stennis, MS. The week of 22 Jan. has been suggested. The meetings would be held in January with the FIC meeting Monday and Tuesday, the Council meeting Thursday and Friday. Wednesday there will be a tour of the Navy facilities and Halter Marine.

## **Meeting Schedule:**

MEETING LOCATION DATES

<b>UNOLS</b> Council	Arlington, VA	12-13 September 1995
<b>UNOLS</b> Annual	Arlington, VA	14 September 1995
RVTEC	Monterey, CA	16-18 October 1995
RVOC	San Diego, CA	25-27 October 1995
DESSC	San Francisco, CA	10 December 1995