

**JOIDES Resolution Facility Board Meeting:
17-18 May 2016
Arlington, VA USA**

Summary of Consensus Statements

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Consensus 1

The JRFB approves the Agenda with the caveat that Jamie Allan and Beth Christensen will present the Item 4 topics originally assigned to Tom Janecek.

Consensus 2

The JRFB approves the May 2015 JRFB Meeting Minutes with no changes.

Consensus 3

The JRFB agrees to institute a Standing JRFB Subcommittee on Policies and Guidelines, with the following members: Anthony Koppers (JRFB Chair), Holly Given (ex-officio representing SSO), and two other members of the JRFB (Christina Ravelo and Mike Coffin).

The mandate of this subcommittee is: (1) to consult with SEP, EPSP, SSO, JRSO, and the IODP Facility Boards to improve IODP policies, guidelines, and terms of reference documents, (2) to present those in a common IODP format, (3) to report every year at the JRFB meeting any substantial changes for discussion and seek approval of the board where necessary, and (4) to survey the wider IODP community about the effectiveness of these policies and guidelines.

Consensus 4

The JRFB approves the revised and reformatted IODP Proposal Submission Guidelines (28 April 2016).

Consensus 5

The JRFB approves the revised and reformatted IODP Site Characterization Guidelines (28 April 2016).

Consensus 6

The JRFB approves the revised ADP Guidelines (3 May 2016).

Consensus 7

The JRFB approves the three proposed revisions to the JRFB Advisory Panels Terms of Reference (September 2013)

Consensus 8

The JRFB encourages all Program Member Offices to keep providing strong nominations for new SEP and EPSP members with nominal 3-year rotations, while striving to increase diversity, including early- to mid-career scientists.

Consensus 9

The JRFB agrees with the deactivation of in total 16 dormant SEP proposals (as per JRFB 1505 Consensus Statement 4) and affirms it will continue monitoring and deactivating inactive (>5 years) proposals as necessary.

Consensus 10

The JRFB approves the plan to contact proponents (via e-mail) of inactive (>5 years) proposals at JRFB to update their proposal (via an Addendum or PRL). The JRFB may ask SEP to comment on any updated science objectives, if necessary.

Consensus 11

The JRFB recommends Full Proposal 832 (Tasman Frontier Subduction) for scheduling in FY17 before Expedition 369 (SW Australia Margin Cretaceous Climate). Furthermore, the JRFB recommends the scheduling of a one-month combined logging-while-drilling (LWD) expedition based on APL Proposal 841 (Creeping Gas Hydrate Slides) and Full Proposal 781A (Hikurangi Observatory), followed by Full Proposals 751 (West Antarctic Ice Sheet Climate), completion of 781A (corks and coring) and 818 (Brothers Arc Flux) in FY18. The JRFB recommends Proposals 567 (South Pacific Paleogene) and 839 (Amundsen Sea Ice Sheet History) for scheduling in the beginning of FY19. The expectation of the JRFB is that there will be 10 months of operations in FY19.

Consensus 12

The JRFB affirms that, based on current and anticipated proposal pressure, the JOIDES Resolution will follow a path from the southwestern Pacific Ocean, through the Southern Ocean, and into the Gulf of Mexico and the Equatorial and South Atlantic, for opportunities for drilling there in FY19 and continuing into FY20. The JRFB expects that the JR will then continue to operate in the general area of the Atlantic and adjacent seas in FY21.

Consensus 13

The JRFB is very pleased with the results and recommendations presented in the FY15 Co-chief Scientists Report and the FY15 JRSO NSF Site Review Report (January 2016). Both reports underscore the outstanding operation and very capable management of the JOIDES Resolution facility by the JRSO. In addition, the JRFB fully supports the conclusions and recommendations by the NSF in their response to the FY15 reports, in particular to add personnel in support of 10-11 months/year IODP operations.

Consensus 14

The JOIDES Resolution Science Operator (JRSO) Annual Program Plan FY17 is recommended for approval in principle. A final plan adding Tasman Frontier Subduction (P832) and XRF scanning will be considered for approval.

Consensus 15

The Science Support Office Annual Program Plan FY17 is recommended for approval in principle. A final plan will be considered for approval.

Consensus 16

The JRFB supports NSF's plans for the shallow JR100 coring program to be implemented during non-IODP periods, when the JRFB schedule for the JOIDES Resolution permits.

Consensus 17

The JRFB supports the implementation of XRF scanning as a new IODP Standard Onshore Measurement as will be proposed by the JRFB in their FY17 APP.

Consensus 18

The JRFB is impressed with the new, simplified implementation of the IODP.org website and agrees that it should be put online by June 2016.

Consensus 19

The JRFB sincerely thanks both Andrew Roberts and Ryo Anma for their excellent service on the JRFB as science members. Over the past three years the JRFB has vastly enjoyed their very enthusiastic and knowledgeable input in all JRFB matters, scheduling of proposals foremost.

Consensus 20

The JRFB thanks both Noritoshi Suzuki and Clive Neal for their excellent service on the CAB as member and as Chair.

Consensus 21

The JRFB sincerely thanks Dave Mallinson, co-chair of SEP for the last 4 years and member of SCP for another 3 years before that. His outstanding leadership and high-energy approach in nurturing proposals, during numerous SEP meetings, but most impressively offline, while working with many, many proponent teams, have been a tremendous service to the overall IODP program and success.