

United States Arctic Research Commission's 99th Meeting

Vancouver, BC, Canada

December 10-11, 2012

Two highlights of the 99th meeting include a joint session with the Canadian Polar Commission, and an Arctic science meeting held in conjunction with our meeting. The Canadian Arctic research program "ArcticNet" will be holding their eighth Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM2012) from December 10th through the 14th as described here: <http://www.arcticnetmeetings.ca/asm2012/>.

December 9th. We will arrive in Vancouver in time to attend a working dinner scheduled from 6:30-8:00 pm. John Farrell will give a travelogue about his participation in an Arctic Ocean expedition aboard the USCG icebreaker *HEALY*.

December 10th. The 99th meeting will be held at the Vancouver Aquarium, <http://www.vanaqua.org>, 845 Avison Way. The morning session will be held in the "Rockfish Boardroom." The afternoon session will be a joint meeting with the Canadian Polar Commission.

December 11th. The meeting will reconvene at 9:00 am in the "Director's Room" at the Westin Bayshore Hotel.

Sunday, December 9, 2012

Commissioners and staff arrive in Vancouver and will check into the Westin Bayshore, 1601 Bayshore Drive, Vancouver, BC V6G 2V4, Phone: (604) 682-3377, Fax: (604) 687-3102, <http://www.westinbayshore.com/>. See logistics information for hotel reservation confirmation numbers.

Monday, December 10 – Vancouver Aquarium, Rockfish Boardroom

Please **meet in the hotel lobby at 8 am** for a taxi ride to the aquarium. The morning session will take place between 8:30 am to noon. A working lunch will be provided in the aquarium. After lunch, the Commission will continue meeting until 2:00 pm, when the joint meeting of commissioners and staff from the Canadian Polar Commission and USARC begins. This joint meeting will also be held at the Vancouver Aquarium but in the WW and AP classrooms.

8:00 A.M. Commissioners and staff will meet in hotel lobby for taxi ride to the aquarium

8:30 A.M. Meeting convenes (open to public)

8:30-10:15 A.M. Commission business

8:30-8:45 Welcome and announcements

8:45-9:15 Review of Action items and approval of 98th meeting minutes
discuss ACCER priorities as per action item from last meeting

9:15-10:15 Chair and Commissioner reports

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| 10:15-10:30 A.M. | <i>Break</i> | |
| 10:30-11:15 A.M. | “Strengthening the Link between USARC and IARPC” | <i>B. Kelly, OSTP</i> |
| 11:15-12:00 P.M. | Integrative Arctic Management and Arctic Science Portal | <i>Ulmer & Farrell</i> |
| 12:00-1:00 P.M. | <i>Lunch</i> | |
| 1:00- 2:00 P.M. | Commission business (continuation) | |
| 1:00-1:30 | Staff reports | |
| 1:30-1:45 | Calendar | |
| 1:45-2:00 | Other/miscellaneous | |
| 2:15- 5:30 P.M. | USARC-CPC Joint meeting | |
| 2:15-2:30 | Introductory remarks/objectives of meeting | <i>Funston & Ulmer</i> |
| 2:30-2:45 | Update on CPC | <i>B. Funston</i> |
| 2:45-3:00 | Update on USARC | <i>F. Ulmer</i> |
| 3:00-3:20 | <i>Break</i> | |
| 3:20-5:15 | Discussion on collaborative work | <i>Farrell & Scott</i> |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring/SAON • Marine ecosystem studies in the Beaufort Sea • Joint press statement on the recent Canada-US Oil and Gas Research Forum • Food security-CPC • USARC and CPC engagement in two US National Academies Studies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Arctic oil spill study -Arctic emerging issues study • Scientific/Polar data management-reciprocal access to scientific research data results generated by US and Canadian institutions • Joint endorsement of water & sanitation tech. session at AFE/side meeting • USARC’s Arctic data portal • Arctic Council-Initiatives when Canada and US assume chairmanship | |
| 5:15-5:30 | Wrap-up/summary/next steps | |
| 5:30 P.M. | <i>Adjourn</i> | |

Tuesday, December 11 – Director’s Room at the Westin Bayshore Hotel, Second Floor

9:00 A.M. Commission meeting reconvenes

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| 9:00-9:30 | Review of meeting with the CPC | <i>F. Ulmer</i> |
| 9:30-9:45 | Oil Spill White paper | <i>F. Ulmer & J. Farrell</i> |
| 9:45-10:15 | Fisheries issues and NPRB | <i>D. Benton & C. Rosa</i> |
| 10:15-10:30 | USARC’s Arctic Data Portal | <i>J. Farrell</i> |

10:30-10:45 A.M. *Break*

10:45 -12:00 A.M.

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| Discussion of 2013-2015 Goals Report | <i>C. Rosa</i> |
| National Academy Studies in progress | <i>J. Farrell</i> |
| USARC publications (one-pager, trifold, folder) | <i>K. Farrow</i> |
| Any other business | <i>All</i> |

Noon *Meeting adjourns*

Tuesday, December 12-14: ArcticNet 8th Scientific Meeting

Some commissioners and staff will attend the ArcticNet meeting, while others will depart for home.