Executive Board Meeting, Portland, Oregon, May, 2007

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May 17, 2007

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Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions (Magnuson)

2. Approval of Minutes of March 1-9, 2007 at NSF in Washington DC (Magnuson)

3. Announcements (5 minutes)

   a. New Publication Chair Alan Knapp selected by the publications committee to replace Phil Robertson as he rotates on as Chair of the Science Council and Executive Board.

   b. Outgoing members of the Executive Board are Scott Collins, Mark Ohman, and Debra Peters.

   c. Incoming Members of the Executive Board are:
      Sarah Hobbie (shobbie@umn.edu) CDR
      Sally Holbrook (holbrook@lifesci.ucsb.edu) MCI
      Steve Pennings (spennings@uh.edu) GCE
      Each will serve three years through the Science Council Meeting in 2010

   d. Future Science Council Meetings. The Executive Board confirmed the future sites previously agreed to by the Coordinating Committee. Note that they alternate from east to west and include many of relatively new sites
      2008 – Baltimore Ecosystem Study (BES)
      2009 – California Coastal Ecosystem (CCE)
      2010 – Plum Island Estuary (PIE)
      2011 – Moorea Coral Reef (MCR)
      2012 – Georgia Coastal Ecosystem (GCE)

   e. Phil Robertson begins as LTER Chair of the Science Council and Executive Board at the end of the Science Council Meeting on Saturday morning.

4. Comments by Henry Gholz LTER Program Director (30 minutes)

5. Opportunities for social science funding (5 minutes)

6. Approval of letters of review for committees as modified by the Executive Board. Draft letters are attached to the email with this agenda. (Magnuson; 15 minutes)
   Information Managers
   Technology
   Climate
7. Annual LNO Review (20 minutes)
   Status of 2006-7 Review (Waide)
   Transfer from Science Council to the Executive Board (Waide)
   Additional thoughts of Ad Hoc Committee (Hopkinson & Groffman)

8. LTER Network Proposal (20 minutes)
   Outline of proposal (Waide)
   Role of LTER Chair of SC and EB (Magnuson)
   LTER Network Office Staff - Role of Chair of the Executive Board (Magnuson)

9. Synthesis Volumes (Peter Prescott) (10 minutes plus discussion)

10. 2008 Science Council Meeting at Baltimore (BES) (10 minutes)
   Date
   BES contact for coordination with LNO and arrangements
   Science Council appoints Program Committee for the science at Saturday’s Science Council Meeting.

11. Planning Grant Completion and ISSE Handoff (Collins or Magnuson) (30 minutes)

12. Mini symposium topic in March 2008. (5 minutes)
   Thoughts and suggestions.

13. Report from NISAC (10 minutes)

14. Strategic Planning assignments discussion led by those assigned (Waide) (15 minutes)
   Growth (Robertson, Collins, Peters)
   Communication and Outreach (McOwiti, Elser, Andrews)
   Increasing Diversity (Grove, Johnson, Ohman)
   Facilitating Synthesis (Magnuson, Waide, Groffman)
   External Relations (Reed, Lyons, Hopkinson)

15. Mini research projects (20 minutes)
   Purposes
   Criteria for authors and reviewers
   Documenting consequences of funded projects
   Review process and signoff discussion of good and bad, and sociology of the process

16. Thank Outgoing EB members
   Scott Collins
   Mark Ohman
   Debra Peters

17. New Business
18. Adjourn