

BEST-BSIERP Science Advisory Board teleconference

Meeting notes and agenda

Tuesday, September 30, 2008

1000-1130 Alaska Time

Meeting notes

In attendance: Bill Wiseman, Carrie Eischens, Rodger Harvey, Carin Ashjian, Kerim Aydin, Phyllis Stabeno, Mike Sigler, Tom Van Pelt, Nick Bond, Rolf Gradinger

1. Finalize PI meeting agenda

http://bsierp.nprb.org/posted/meetings/10.08_pi/PI_meeting_draft_agenda.pdf

- Confirmed BEST PI meeting for Monday night. Confirmed move of modeling meeting to Wednesday at 1-3 pm.

- Confirmed that the NOAA ship and Healy groups will start the meeting together so that everyone knows the NOAA and BEST cruise schedules. Any common issues also will be discussed. Following that, the groups will split into 2 groups to discuss specific issues. About 22 people are expected for Healy group and about 12 people are expected for the NOAA cruise group. Healy is not expected to be available for the summer cruise in 2009 and a substitute vessel will be sought (Ka'imimoana or Thompson). The Thompson is preferred based on suggestions from PS. This change should allow Healy to be available for spring 2010.

2. Need rapporteurs for the PI meeting

- The group facilitator will arrange for a rapporteur for each group and group presenter for templates. The rapporteur preferably will be identified beforehand if at all possible.. In addition, Alison York and Tom Van Pelt can act as rapporteurs for the cruise planning.

3. Room layouts and other loose threads.

Main room layout is in rounds, since breakfasts and lunches will happen there. Breakout room arrangement will be dynamic- on the first day of the meeting, we have three breakout rooms, on the second day we have two, and on the third day we have none. We have three suites that can be used as substitute breakout rooms, or breakout groups may divide up within the main room or in public spaces of the hotel. Flip charts and lcd projectors will be available. Rolf will bring a projector from UAF; Carin, Phyllis, Rodger may be able to bring a projector if needed but would prefer not to.

The SAB agrees with the arrangement that PIs will pay for meals with their per diem through a meal fee rather than using limited NPRB Program Management funds to pay for meals. Need to arrange a

method for payment - Tom/Carrie will follow up. PI's will need to be informed before they arrive on the charges and method of payment.

4. ESSAS meeting follow up

- The BSIERP application was accepted unanimously by the ESSAS program. Among the ESSAS regions, the BEST-BSIERP work appears to be the most extensive field and modeling effort but some of the regions (e.g. E. Greenland, Barents, Labrador/ Newfoundland) have more detailed time series at the lower trophic levels.

The BEST-BSIERP program plans to provide one or two people as representatives to ESSAS on behalf of BEST and BSIERP. In addition, BEST-BSIERP presentations and posters will be made at meetings opportunistically as PIs travel. All SAB members want to receive e-mails from ESSAS. The SAB requested that NSF and NPRB will need to provide guidelines and approaches for financial support to allow BEST-BSIERP representatives to participate in ESSAS and PICES. This will require us to create a strong presentation that is periodically updated. This topic needs to be on the agenda of SAB meeting in Girdwood.

5. Science Advisory Group to the BEST-BSIERP project will include NPRB Science Panel, Ecosystem Modeling Committee, and Advisory Panel members. This group will provide advice to the SAB, which then will act as a conduit back to the BEST and BSIERP PIs. The Science Advisory Group is invited to the PI meeting as observers; the SAB will have a formal meeting with the Science Advisory Group in January at the AMSS. There are draft Terms of Reference for this group, which Tom will send to the SAB again for review and discussion. We should be able to finalize the Terms of Reference at the PI meeting. Note that this Science Advisory Group will be focused on integration, and not on the details of individual projects. The Ecosystem Modeling Committee is focused on modeling.

6. Remind people to send their arrival times. Post the responses.

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- External representation to PICES and ESSAS; how in practice are we going to deal with this? Both are offering "observer" status.

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- BEST and BSIERP contacts and representation at ESSAS meetings (At present, leaders of all national and international programs in ESSAS are members of the ESSAS SSC)

- Developing analyses within B/B could benefit significantly from some of the other ESSAS work. A good example is the project that Orio Yamamura is doing in northern Japan - it would be valuable to have the whole B/B group see the results of this program. Can we get him to Girdwood? He said that he would do it.

- Timing of future B/B meetings relative to other meetings - Last Globec open science meeting in June 09 in Victoria. The next ESSAS meeting will likely be there at that time as well.