

**JOIDES SCIENCE COMMITTEE**  
**26 August, 2002**  
**Hosted by Ghent University at Het Pand, Ghent, Belgium**

**DRAFT MOTION AND CONSENSUS ITEMS**

**SCICOM Motion 02-02-01:** SCICOM approves the meeting agenda.

Fryer moved, Rea seconded, all in favor.

**SCICOM Motion 02-02-02:** SCICOM approves the minutes of its March 2002 meeting in Yokohama.

Mayer moved, Sager seconded, 14 in favor, none opposed, 1 abstention (Brumsack).

**SCICOM Consensus 02-02-03:** SCICOM accepts the following SCIMP recommendations:

SCIMP recommendation 02-1-1 concerning the guidelines for digital seismic data submission

SCIMP recommendation 02-1-2 concerning the JANUS data model

SCIMP recommendation 02-1-3 concerning the petrologic results compiled by Kurnosov et al.

SCIMP recommendation 02-1-4 concerning metadata documentation in JANUS

SCIMP recommendation 02-1-5 concerning the FMS and digital line scan images

SCIMP recommendation 02-1-6 concerning conducting any future business only by email.

Preface to SCICOM Motion 02-02-04:

SCICOM applauds the proponents' vision and is excited by the opportunities presented by a test hole connected to a high-bandwidth, high-power cable. This represents a tremendous opportunity.

However, SCICOM believes that there are scientific and technical issues that need review and discussion prior to a commitment to establishing such a test site. These issues include:

- 1) Is there a community consensus on the optimal technical requirements for such a site? Issues include hole diameter, seafloor landing structure, hole depths, and casing strategy.
- 2) How do the environmental and geological characteristics limit or enhance the prospects for instrument tests that might be done in the hole? Issues include porosity, formation pressures, lithologies, hydrocarbon potential, and so on.
- 3) How is community access to the site to be managed? Issues include interactions with MBARI and management of permitting issues within the sanctuary.
- 4) Should planning for the drilling operations include time for logging of the formation to establish adequate baseline characterization?

**SCICOM Motion 02-02-04:** SCICOM strongly encourages the proponents of APL-22 to submit a pre-proposal to the IODP interim Science Advisory Structure for a test hole in Monterey Bay as part of the MARS facility.

Bloomer moved, Austin seconded, all in favor.

**SCICOM Consensus 02-02-05:** SCICOM thanks Jean-Pierre Henriët and Marc Faure of Ghent University for wonderful arrangements in hosting this meeting in such a quintessentially European location. SCICOM also sincerely thanks ECOD and ODP-France for financial co-support for the meeting arrangements.