# **United States Arctic Research Commission's 105th Meeting**

## Fairbanks, AK March 16, 2016

### Wednesday, March 16th, 2016

8:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M. USARC 105th Commission Meeting, UAF campus, IARC/Akasofu Building, Room 407

- Commissioner introductions and announcements
- Approval of 104th meeting minutes
- Commissioner reports
- Staff reports
- Update on USARC's 3 working groups (Water & Sanitation, Renewable Energy, Behavioral & Mental Health)
- Discuss USARC's 2017-18 Goals Report

12:30 P.M. Adjourn

12:30-1:30 P.M. Lunch, IARC/Akasofu Building, Lobby (first floor)

**1:30-5:30 P.M.** International Arctic Science Meeting, 6-party meeting of international Arctic science entities including representatives from the USARC, Polar Research Board, Polar Knowledge Canada (formerly Canadian Polar Commission), European Polar Board/ PolarNet, and Asian Forum for Polar Sciences, and the Russian Federal Center for Arctic Research.. *IARC/Akasofu Building, Room 501*.

#### Overall goals

- Become better informed about each others' organizations and their roles, missions, and current activities.
- To explore opportunities for collaborative efforts, and roles we might play to encourage and facilitate international cooperation in arctic science.

#### Draft agenda

**1:30 P.M.** Welcome, introductions, review session goals

**1:15 P.M.** Short presentations from the leadership of each group, to briefly explain our respective missions and current activities (~10 minutes each, followed by Q & A).

2:30 P.M. Discuss possible roles for our organizations in advancing the goals of the Arctic Council Scientific Cooperation Task Force. Kelly Falkner, National Science Foundation; John Farrell, USARC.

**3:10 P.M.** coffee break

**3:30** P.M. Discuss other possible roles and activities that our organizations might pursue (that are *complementary to* the existing efforts of IASC, Arctic Council working groups, etc.) to encourage collaboration among researchers from our respective countries/regions.

**4:15 P.M.** placeholder for any other specific topics of mutual interest \*

\*Note: Plans are underway for the White House to host a meeting of international Science Ministers in late August or early September 2016. This event would showcase and build upon successful international collaborations focused on Arctic science: observations, monitoring, data-sharing, and research. We could discuss how our respective organizations—individually or collectively—might contribute to this event.

## **Current list of expected participants**

EPB / PolarNet	US ARC	PRB
Jane Francis	Fran Ulmer	Julie Brigham-Grette
Bjørn Dahlbäck	David Benton	Katey Walter Anthony
Yves Frenot [tbd]	Marie Greene	Betsy Baker
Nicole Biebow	James McCarthy	Sarah Das
Denis-Didier Rousseau	Mary Pete	Jennifer Francis
Karin Lochte [tbd]	Charles Vörösmarty	Eileen Hofmann
Renuka Badhe	John Farrell	Brendan Kelly
Ronaka Baane	Kathy Farrow	Nancy Maynard
Polar Knowledge Canada	Carrie Eischens	George Newton
	Wendy Farrow	Rafe Pomerance
Alain LeClair	West and West	Larry Hinzman
Lawrence Keyte	AFOPS	Deneb Karentz
Norah Foy		Terry Wilson
Jennifer Sokol	Yeadong Kim	Amanda Staudt
David Leblanc	Hyung Chul Shin	Laurie Geller
Susan File	Huigen Yang	Lauren Everett
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	Jihoon Jeong, AFoPS	Fed. Ctr. for Arctic Research (Russia)

Vladimir Pavlenko

**5:30-7:00** P.M. Reception at the home of UA President James R. Johnsen. Staff will provide transportation from IARC/Akasofu.

