

ARCTOS Secretariat meeting 29/04-2020 minutes

Present: Rolf Gradinger, Haakon Hop, Paul Renaud, Kjetil Sagerup, Eva Leu, Eric Jorda Molina, Martí Amargant-Arumí, Paul Wassmann (for point 3), Ulrike Grote (minutes)

Agenda:

- 1) New ARCTOS leader Rolf Gradinger
- 2) New ARCTOS Secretariat representative for UiT Karley Campbell
- 3) YSF/Arctic Frontiers PhD Workshop BIO-8516, evaluation 2020, plans 2021 (see attachment)
- 4) Accounting 2019/Budget 2020 (attached), change in activities
- 5) Changes in Arctic Frontiers structure (AS owned 100% by APN, ARCTOS no longer senior partner)
- 6) ARCTOS Board meeting, suggestions for dates and agenda
- 7) Membership applications (Kristin Heggland, PhD NPI; Victoria Ollus, Master student IMR; Marlena Szeligowska, PhD IOPAN; Martial Leroy, Master student UiT)
- 8) AOB

1) New ARCTOS Leader Rolf Gradinger

Since ARCTOS Days (9-11 March, 2020) Rolf Gradinger is the new leader of the ARCTOS network. Jørgen Berge is now the second representative for UiT in the Secretariat.

2) New ARCTOS Secretariat representative for UiT Karley Campbell

Karley Campbell, Associate Professor at UiT is the new first representative for UiT in the Secretariat. Karley focusses in her work on sea ice algae and bacteria and how they are affected by changes in the environment. She has been working in Canada and the UK before. Welcome!

3) YSF/Arctic Frontiers PhD Workshop BIO-8516, evaluation 2020, plans 2021

Short summary of the feedback from the PhD Workshop in January 2020 by PW and EL. This year's conference had very little focus on Arctic marine science and students attending the workshop had varying backgrounds with many working in social sciences, resulting in a mismatch in provided lectures and expectations for some students.

The Secretariat needs to discuss its long-term plans for the workshop (format, costs, funding, association with Arctic Frontiers, course leader and annual/biannual organization). This will be an item in the agenda of the next Secretariat meetings. RG will attend an Arctic Frontiers Scientific Steering Committee meeting next week and will try to find out how AF is planning to develop in the future. Currently it is not certain if there will be a workshop in 2021.

4) Accounting 2019/Budget 2020 (attached), change in activities

UG presented the accounting for 2019 and budget for 2020. Main changes in 2019 where higher salary costs for the secretary due to additional costs associated with the substitutes for UG during her maternity leave. In 2020, money allocated to the now cancelled ARCTOS cruise will be transferred to 2021 and ARCTOS will apply for ship time with RV Helmer Hanssen to have the cruise take place in 2021. As meeting activities likely will be affected throughout 2020, money allocated for colloquia/workshops will be also transferred to 2021.

5) Changes in Arctic Frontiers structure (AS owned 100% by APN, ARCTOS no longer senior partner)

See point 3)

6) ARCTOS Board meeting, suggestions for dates and agenda

Two weeks ago, RG and UG sent out a short newsletter to the Board informing them about the change in leadership and announcing a date suggestion for the next Board meeting.

Items for the agenda should be: Accounting, renewal of contracts, YSF 2020 and how to continue, ARCTOS and TUNU cruise activities, update ARCTOS strategy, annual report. We will aim for a meeting in September 2020.

The annual report should not only contain statistics but also some info boxes about specific (new) members. Format inspiration could come from the recent issue of Fram Forum (containing relevant news items!), or the annual reports of ArcticNet or APECS. RG and UG will come up with a draft until May 4th to send to the Secretariat and ask for feedback until May 7th. KS volunteers to contribute to the second step in the process, finding relevant news items for the different institutions.

7) Membership applications

Kristin Heggland, PhD candidate at NPI and Victoria Ollus, Master student at IMR are accepted as full members. Marlena Szeligowska, PhD candidate at IOPAN and Martial Leroy, Master student currently as intern at UiT are accepted as associated members.

8) AOB

Colloquia: As physical meetings currently are not possible, UG will try to organize virtual colloquia. Martí pointed out that there are several new ARCTOS students who need to give their first presentation and who are all involved in the Nansen Legacy project as the possible overarching topic of the colloquium. Due to the different format, presentations should be shorter (15 min) and the whole event max 1.5 hours.

Next meeting: UG will send out a doodle for weeks 22 and 23 to find a suitable date for the next Secretariat meeting.