

Ops Working Group 20 Resolutions

RESOLUTION 20.1: The OpsWG is disappointed that no Keck exchange time could be allocated to the Gemini community in 2011A, and encourages the Observatory to explore ways to make Gemini time more attractive to the Keck user community.

RESOLUTION 20.2: To assist the queue-filling process at ITAC, ToO programs with both a Rapid and a Standard component will now require separate proposals to be submitted for each.

RESOLUTION 20.3: The OpsWG would like to recognize the significant effort by Gemini staff in addressing the various issues with FLAMINGOS-2, and looks forward to having it back on the telescope later this year.

RESOLUTION 20.4: The OpsWG congratulates the Adaptive Optics group on achieving on-sky propagation of the 50W laser for Gemini South, and acknowledges the significant work done in developing the necessary software to select the guide star asterisms required for MCAO.

RESOLUTION 20.5: The OpsWG would like to see regular reports on the demand for, and usage of Director's Discretionary Time proposals.

RESOLUTION 20.6: The OpsWG is concerned about the implications of potentially having GPI available on Gemini South before NICI has fulfilled its mission, and suggests the GSC consider the merits of ultimately moving NICI to Gemini North.

RESOLUTION 20.7: The OpsWG is concerned about the pending removal of many of the current instruments on Gemini, and whenever possible would like the community to receive at least 12 months (2 semesters) notice of intention to permanently remove an instrument from the telescopes.

RESOLUTION 20.8: There have been a few instances recently when scheduled downtime of the ODB was announced with <24 hrs notice, and usually only via the Science Operations announcement web page. NGOs should be advised by email (to the "ngo-all" exploder) of anticipated ODB outages at least 2 days in advance.

RESOLUTION 20.9: The OpsWG welcomes the proposal to utilize the FITS database created for the QA pipeline as a solution to the continuing absence of a "Notify PI" mechanism, and views this as potentially a better solution than the proposal by CADC to implement RSS feeds.

RESOLUTION 20.10: The OpsWG sees value in being able to add template examples to some Phase 2 skeletons prior to their release to PIs, and will continue to do so on a bestefforts basis in future semesters.

RESOLUTION 20.11: The OpsWG understands that software issues which have been transferred to a Gemini "to-do" list can then be marked as "Closed" in the Helpdesk, provided (a) the original Helpdesk

request number is retained in the list, and (b) that the Software report to the OpsWG meetings include an update on current outstanding issues.