



GEMINI BOARD MEETING
HILO, HAWAII – 11-13 MAY 2016

Resolutions Arising from the 11-13 May 2016 Gemini Board Meeting

2016.A.1. The Board approves the STAC recommended science time goals for semester 2017A of 91% on Gemini South and 94% on Gemini North.

2016.A.2. The Board approves the changes in observing time accounting (1. Have PIs include baseline calibrations in their proposals; 2. Cease balancing executed time, balance partner allocated time each semester) proposed by the Observatory and recommends implementation as soon as possible. The Board requests that the Observatory continue to track the observing time accounting under the old system over the next year and report on the comparison between the old and new systems after this period. The Board recommends that the Observatory consult with the Operations Working Group on the implementation of these changes.

2016.A.3. The Board endorses the recommended priorities by the STAC for development activities, listing in order: GHOST, Gen4#3, GMOS-N, LGSF, Small/Medium Projects, NGS2, A&G, Altair RTC, DM0, and GNIRS. The Board urges that effort on the lower priority items not detract from progress on the top priority items.

2016.A.4. The Board endorses the recommendations from the STAC regarding the Small and Medium Projects, and the adjustment of the queue algorithm to maximize the number of projects that reach at least 80% completion. The Board endorses the STAC request that the future development reports contain more information about resources, more detailed project time lines and risks. The Board notes the comments from the STAC regarding the strategic vision planning and will consider their input in the development of the vision.

2016.A.5. The Board expresses its great appreciation for Dr. Paul Martini's leadership of the STAC and reappoints him for 1 year as the STAC Chair.

2016.A.6. The Board appoints Dr. Chris Davis for a 2-yr term as Chair of the Gemini Finance Committee.

2016.A.7. The Board reaffirms the Terms of Reference for the Gemini Science and Technology Advisory Committee dated September 2013, and the Gemini Finance Committee, dated May 2010, as Committees of the Gemini Board under the new International Agreement.

2016.A.8. The Board has reviewed the Public Information and Outreach program that the Observatory is engaged in and finds that the overall direction and effort are appropriate.

2016.A.9. The Board thanks Dr. Michael Balogh for his outstanding service as Chair of the Gemini Board during the period 2013-2015.

2016.A.10. The Board acknowledges that Dr. Bob McLaren will step down from the Board after the May 2016 meeting. The Board thanks Bob for his extraordinary dedication and sage advice during his long-term service on the Gemini Board. We wish him well in his future endeavors.

2016.A.11. The Board welcomes two new Board members representing the United States, Dr. Lucianne Walkowicz and Dr. George Jacoby, and Dr. Bo Reipurth representing the University of Hawaii. We look forward to their contributions in the coming years.