



GEMINI BOARD MEETING

HILO, HAWAII – 10-11 MAY 2017

**Resolutions Arising from the 10-11 May 2017 Gemini Board Meeting**

**2017.A.3.** The Board thanks Dr. Markus Kissler-Patig for his outstanding leadership as the Director of Gemini Observatory over the past 5 years. Under his tenure Gemini became a more agile and productive observatory with new innovative observing modes, a broadened instrument suite, first-class new instruments under development, and an energized user base and staff.

**2017.A.4.** The Board approves the Strategic Vision document “Beyond 2021: A Strategic Vision for the Gemini Observatory,” developed by the Board and the Observatory with input from the STAC and the Gemini User Community, and looks forward to the Strategic Plan the Observatory will develop around the vision recommendations in the coming year.

**2017.A.5.** The Board approves the STAC recommended science time goals for semester 2018A of 92% on Gemini South and 96% on Gemini North, and the adjustment of science time in 2017B to 86% for Gemini South and 84% for Gemini North.

**2017.A.6.** The Board endorses the recommended priorities by the STAC for development activities, listing in order: OCTOCAM, GHOST, GMOS-N CCDs, GS Laser, GN Laser, IUP, NGS2, GNIRS Controller, Altair RTC, A&G, and DM0.

**2017.A.7.** The Board endorses the proposed Visiting Instruments Program strategies developed by the Observatory and endorsed by the STAC. If a proposed visiting instrument requires an observatory investment over \$100,000, the STAC and Board should be consulted.

**2017.A.8.** The Board approves an additional expenditure in 2017 in the amount of \$1,423,491 requested by the Observatory for the Energy Efficiency Project.

**2017.A.9.** The Observatory shall present a plan towards an O&M budget that by the end of 2019 does not have a budget deficit when based on identified O&M contributions from the current Gemini Participants and known Limited Term Collaborations.

**2017.A.10.** The Board appoints Dr. Laura Parker for 1 year as the STAC Chair starting June 1, 2017. We look forward to working with her over the next year.

**2017.A.11.** The Board expresses its great appreciation for Paul Martini’s excellent leadership of the STAC over the past three years.

**2017.A.12.** The Board welcomes three new board members, Dr. Suvrath Mahadevan and Dr. Dawn Erb for the US, and Dr. Marcin Sawicki for Canada. We look forward to their contributions in the coming years.

**2017.A.13.** The Board approves AURA negotiating a contract with their proposed candidate for the position of Interim Director of Gemini for the period July 1, 2017 through June 29, 2018.