

DCB Minutes 9/19/2019

Juneau link up with Brenda's Scientific Diving Class

New business

Responsibilities of diving control board:

- Come up with a protocol if there's a UA diving accident, who, where, when, why....
- Have safety officer phone # on UAF Scientific Diving website. UAF dive plan.... But not UAF diver then what??
- Be sure to identify and notify university safety officer in case of accident/death.
- OSHA NEEDS TO BE NOTIFIED WITHIN 8 HOURS? To be determined.
- Determine different timelines for various oversight agencies, Origami Risk Reporting, etc.
- Multiple link:
 - Severe accident/death protocol, immediate plan of action
 - Origami link on UAF Dive Accident link
 - Near-miss reporting to help improve risk management
- Develop leadership incident response team to manage information.
- Contact Chancellor, VCR etc regarding the liability, oversight, structure of research diving program at UA.
- Review diving accident report to identify risks for UA risk management.
- Ensure suits fit well, find funds to help students get suits that fit.

How to cover costs for gear repair/replacement

- Consider annual membership fee to use dive gear, etc.
- UA Diving Sweatshirts for fundraising, etc.
- Lots of active divers, how to cover the gear needs of active student research diving.

DSO Update

- Can we use science divers to look for moorings that were not released?
 - Recovery dives are not covered by AAUS.
 - Hawaii DSO approved dive plan for recovery dive off of the Sikuliaq?
 - What does AAUS consider a recovery dive?
 - What designates a mooring?
 - Within the limits of AAUS diving and is for scientific purposes- which moorings are.

Sitka update

- 15 students scientific diving class
- 2 students got dive master training

- Unsure if dive semester will be able to proceed without Reed's replacement to make sure to achieve student/instructor ratio.

Juneau update

- Lots of scientific diving
- Mike wants to facilitate more Juneau divers taking Brenda's scientific diving course, pool session in Juneau, coursework via zoom.
- Determine how to cover pool costs in Juneau via change fees.

Grad students

- Casey Clark donated gear.

DSO FYI: Brenda is not attending AAUS conference in Vancouver, BC.

AAUS dive logging system will not be updated.