

SAON Board meeting 25th August 2016

16-17 (CET) / 10-12 AM (EST)

Teleconference (GoToMeeting)

Draft agenda

1. Introductions and adoption of agenda
2. SAON External Review
   * The report from the External Review Committee will be presented by the chair, Helen C Joseph, HCJ Consulting.  
     *[The report and the Executive Summary was circulated by email on 30th and 31st August]*
   * Presentation at the SAO meeting  
     *[David Balton, chair of the Senior Arctic Officials of the Arctic Council has asked for an update on SAON at the upcoming SAO meeting in Portland, USA, 4-6 October. Larry Hinzman will attend the meeting.]*
3. US SAON Office (Jeremy Mathis)
4. White House Arctic Science Ministerial – SAON Brochure  
   *[An updated version of the brochure will be prepared for the Ministerial. The Executive has prepared a draft text. There is a comment within the text on the use of the term ‘Indigenous knowledge’ versus ‘traditional and local knowledge’. A link to the existing brochure is found here:* *http://www.arcticobserving.org/images/pdf/Background/Final\_Updated\_SAON\_Brochure.pdf]*
5. SAON work plan  
   *[In an email from 30th August, Larry Hinzman asks the Board members to prioritise the recommendations from the External Review Committee]*
6. SAON Committees:
   * Arctic Data Committee (Peter Pulsifer)
   * Committee on Observations and Networks (Lisa Loseto)
7. Arctic Observing Summit 2018  
   [*Will be held with the ASSW in Switzerland from 15 - 27 June 2018]*
8. Next physical meeting; ASSW2017 in Praque (31 March - 7 April, <http://www.assw2017.eu>)
9. Any Other Business
   * GEO-XIII Plenary, 7-10 November 2016