



**Society of Offshore Marine Warranty Surveyors
Board Meeting**

Wednesday 10th November 2021 – 13:00 GMT

Attendees:-

Stephen Norman (SN) Doug Devoy (DD) Vishal Sharma (VS) Sean Hogue (SH) Michael Chan (MC)	James Laybourn (JL) Ekkehard Stade (ES) Hector Grant (HG) Alison Cooper (AC)
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Ref	Item	Action	Due Date
1	Apologies for Absence David Ballands John Munnings-Tomes (JM-T) Ian Stewart James Miller James Vavasour Aureliano Schirripa Jonathan Vine		
2	Vice-Chair position SN thanked the two candidates for putting their names forward. The candidates were Ekkehard Stade and Sean Hogue. A total of 11 votes were cast, with 1 abstention and 1 no vote. There was a majority of 7 votes for Ekkehard to 4 for Sean. Therefore SN had the pleasure in confirming that Ekkehard would take up the position of Vice-Chair commencing 1 st January 2022. Ekkehard Stade accepted the position as Vice-chair. SN thanked Sean for his interest in the position, for his support thus far and was sure that SOMWS would benefit considerably from his knowledge and ideas.		
3	Review of new MWS incidents for 'Lessons Learned' To be discussed at the next meeting. Item to be moved to the end of the agenda.	Next Agenda	

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B	<p>Website update See 6A above.</p>		
C	<p>LinkedIn update SN had a meeting with SH. SH is going to drive LinkedIn forward. SH has also offered to look after the website. SH said marine warranty information can be difficult to find, if anyone on the board comes across information to let him know so we can add to LI.</p>	Board members	On-going
7	<p>SOMWS / JRC Working Group Report At the meeting on 4th November the following was discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two new joiners from the renewables environment. - Project scope of work is now in the technical documents. A link was circulated by HG. - A working group has been set up for Renewables and Upstream Energy. - Lessons Learned project is on-going. - Future opportunities to contribute to a JIP on mooring systems for floating wind. - Future work priorities – split between upstream and renewables. <p>SN had a meeting with Melanie Raven and JM-T. They touched on marine warranty surveyor and it was said that they very much wanted it led by SOMWS.</p> <p>It would be good to see JRC take a stronger position in their own stance, but if they aren't going to do it then SOMWS will need to promote the industry.</p> <p>We need to look at how we interact with industry. We need SOMWS representation at energy conferences. It would be helpful if when at a conference representing a company it was possible to highlight SOMWS membership.</p>		

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8	Industry Liaison Group (ILG) No update		
9 A	Secretariat 2021 Management accounts There is steady income from subscriptions coming in from renewals and new members. The next additional budgeted expenditure will be for the new database.		
10	Events It may be time to consider a physical event/s next year, funds permitting. It could be appropriate to have events running close together in Houston, London and Singapore. To be discussed next month	Next Agenda	
11 A	Any other business We have several overdue invoices with reminders being sent, VS and HG will make final attempt to contact, otherwise we will repeal their membership.	VS/HG	Actioned
B	Due to time zone conflicts, it was agreed to change the meeting time to 14:00 GMT until March 2022. AC to send out updated calendar meeting invites.	AC	Actioned
	Date of next meeting: Wednesday 8 th December 2021 @ 14:00 GMT PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF TIME		