Committee Attendance: C Lautenbacher (Chair), J Hagen, V Klump, T MacDonald, J Manley, C Ostrander, L Ragster, B Melzian

Public Attendance: Randy Showstack, American Geophysical Union

3:05 PM - Meeting called to order by C Lautenbacher.

The meeting agenda focused on finalizing recommendations to the incoming Presidential administration outlining the benefits of U.S. IOOS to the nation and recommending specific areas for ongoing and increased support.

Committee discussed terms in the draft, such as “blue economy” and whether it sounded too much like Washington D.C. jargon. The Committee agreed to keep the term in the recommendation and use the document to introduce and explain that term to the Administration.

Committee agreed to revise the document to stress infrastructure and jobs and the economy. The recommendation was approved as final by consensus with the minor changes addressed during the virtual meeting.

Public Comment:
R Showstack asked the purpose and audience of the recommendation, and how the Committee felt it would be received. C Lautenbacher explained the recommendations were meant for the incoming Presidential administration team in NOAA and the Department of Commerce. The Committee hopes the recommendations provide a clear overview of IOOS as an introduction to people who may know little about the enterprise.

3:25 PM – Meeting was adjourned.