



Summary of the LSC meeting

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Overview



- Reports of Working Group chairs
 - ASIS
 - DetChar
 - SWG
 - COC
- S2 Data Analysis
- Report on LSC Council meeting
- Calendar of upcoming meetings
- Report on Virgo discussions
- Closing remarks



Council Meeting



- Sidles's application declined for now, but he is encouraged to plan collaboration, and to reapply.
- Next three meetings:
 - LSC meeting, LLO, 15 – 18 Mar
 - Observational results meeting, at a major hub, 5 – 6 June (Sat and Sun)
 - LSC meeting, LHO, 16 – 19 Aug



Council meeting



- **Proposal for “2+2” meeting schedule:**
 - Back to 2 full LSC meetings per year
 - Add 2 Observational Results meetings (on a weekend), between LSC meetings
 - Will present a worked out version of this idea for discussion in advance of, and then approval (or not) at March LSC meeting.
- **Publication Policy revisions:**
 - Presented by Reitze
 - Comments to be incorporated, draft to be circulated to collaboration for more comment
 - For approval (or not) at March LSC meeting.



For post-Council discussion



- **Scientific Integrity discussions**
 - Draft of Scientific Integrity Policy prepared by Gregg Harry. Will circulate to collaboration for comment.
 - Review of data security undertaken by Mike Landry.
 - Review of scientific results checking undertaken by Alan Wiseman.
- **Another issue for discussion at March LSC: Should we maintain or drop the LIGO-I distinction in LSC membership?**



Upcoming meetings



- GWDAAW, 17 – 20 December 2003, Milwaukee
- Aspen, 15 – 21 February
- **LSC, 15 – 18 March, LLO**
- APS, 1 – 3 May, Denver
- **Observational Results, 5 – 6 June, MIT**
- SPIE, 20 – 25 June, Glasgow
- LISA Symposium, mid-July, ESTEC
- GR17, 18 – 25 July, Dublin
- **LSC, 16 – 19 August, LHO**



Discussion with Virgo “explorers”



- Fruitful exchange with Cella, Mours.
- Drafted a framework for collaboration, which they will present to the Virgo Steering Committee:

Formation of a joint working group focused on a single science goal, as a start.

- All of us hope discussions will move forward to a successful conclusion.



Thanks!



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