



“Welcome to the LSC meeting”

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LIGO

The state of the collaboration



The LSC is doing well in its new roles.

- » Running, collecting data from LIGO interferometers at design sensitivity.
- » Preparing for final approval of Advanced LIGO.

We are pleased to welcome our new LIGO Executive Director, Jay Marx.



Also going on ...



We have just concluded over 1.5 days of review of a rich program of data analysis. In the days that follow, we will have discussions on:

- » what improvements might follow S5, before start of Advanced LIGO construction,
- » plans to collaborate closely with Virgo on future data analysis,
- » the modified system of Scientific Monitoring shifts,
- » ... and the rest of the wide range of work that makes up the steady progress of a successful and thriving scientific collaboration.



Agenda of Tuesday Council Meeting



- Membership application
Montana State, Billings (Benacquista)
- Discussion of proposed new MOU with Virgo
- Discussion, vote on new LSC Bylaws
- Discussion of new LIGO bodies:
 - » LIGO Board
 - » LIGO Academic Affairs Council
- Discussion:
Should we change the structure of LSC meetings?

Council members only, in this room, from 0800 to 1200.



Meeting announcements



As always ...

Please give your talk viewgraphs to Linda Turner.

She is offering valuable treats as a reward.

Unlike at previous meetings ...

Please recycle your badges at the end of the meeting.