

SOFIA Users Group Fourth Meeting

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SUG Chair; Secretary

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Membership

- Bob Gehrz, U. Minnesota: SUG 1-4, chair
- Lee Armus, IPAC/Caltech: SUG 1-4
- John Bally, U. Colorado: SUG 1-4
- Imke de Pater, U.C.Berkeley: SUG 1-4
- Jochen Eisloffel, U. Tautenberg : SUG 1-4
- Urs Graf, U. Cologne: SUG 1-4
- Al Harper, Yerkes Observatory: SUG 1-4
- Luke Keller, Ithaca Coll.: SUG 1-4
- Michael Kaufman, SJSU: SUG 3-4
- Matthew Greenhouse, Goodard: SUG 4 *new*

Nominal term is 3 years (~6 meetings)

Agenda

Start	Dur.	Presenter	Topic
9:00	0:10	Gehrz, Reach	Welcome, Agenda, Membership
9:10	0:30	Zavala	SOFIA Program Update
9:40	0:20	Young	Cycle 1 Progress and Plans
10:00	0:10	Marcum	Observatory efficiency metrics
10:10	0:15		COFFEE BREAK
10:25	0:20	Rasmussen	Non-sidereal tracking
10:45	0:20	Roellig	Water-vapor monitor
11:05	0:15	Young	Directors Discretionary Time policy
11:20	0:20	Reach	Guidelines for Guest Investigators
11:40	0:20	Latter	Visiting and operations at DAOF
12:00	1:00		LUNCH BREAK
13:00	0:20	Sankrit	Workshops and outreach
13:20	0:20	Miles,Smith	Instrument development update
13:40	0:15	Zinnecker	German observers, GSSWG report
13:55	0:30	Andersson	Cycle 2 status; Planning for Cycle 3
14:25	0:20	Shuping	Data Processing
14:45	0:20		Spillover
15:05	0:15		COFFEE BREAK
15:20	0:10		placeholder
15:30	1:00	SUG	SUG SESSION
16:30	0:30	SUG	SUG Debrief to SMO

Response to Questions from SUG

- Director's Discretionary Time Awards (DDT)
 - Erick Young presentation
- Maintaining Flexibility to Allow GIs to Alter Observational Programs in Flight
 - Bill Reach presentation
- Announcing Up-to-date Information about the Timetable for Proposal Selections
 - B-G Andersson presentation
- Information about Accepted GI Proposals
 - Website has been updated
- Helping Observers to Get the Most out of their Data
 - Ravi Sankrit and Ralph Shuping presentations
- Shared Risk Observations with New Science Instruments
 - Bill Reach presentation
- Non-sidereal Tracking Issues
 - Jon Rasmussen presentation
- Tracking Flight Efficiency Statistics
 - Pam Marcum Presentation
- The SOFIA Water Vapor Meter
 - Tom Roellig presentation
- Mission Control and Communication System (MCCS) Issues
 - Pete Zell and Jon Rasmussen presentations