

Clicker Survey Questions to Promote Discussion and Prioritize MOCA's Next Steps

- 1) Rate this meeting:
- A- worth the trip 22
 - B- could have read it in a newsletter 0

- 2) What do you most often get out of attending MOCA meetings?
- A- networking 9
 - B- staying up to date with OA happenings in Maine 14
 - C- learning about OA 1

Discussion- other things you would like to be getting out of MOCA meetings?

- 3) What is your ideal format for future MOCA meetings?
- A- round table discussion 0
 - B- mini-symposia style with presentations 1
 - C- combination of the two 24

- 4) How regularly should MOCA plan future mini-symposia style meetings with presentations?
- A- about 1x a year 1
 - B- about 2x a year 21
 - C- about 3x a year 2
 - D- about 4x a year 4 2

- 5) Separately from organized symposia, what is the best way to share Maine OA research/education/policy updates at quarterly MOCA meetings?
- A- short verbal updates at meeting 1
 - B- email updates to steering committee and we share printed copy at meeting 0
 - C- email updates to steering committee and we and post on MOCA website 0
 - D- email updates to steering committee and we share in a quarterly email update 19
 - E- email updates to steering committee, who then select appropriate guest speakers for next MOCA meeting, and send all updates via email 5

Discussion- who is on the MOCA distribution list? OA google group?

- 6) Given MOCA's limited time, what **policy** topics do you think we should focus on during the next year?
- A- carbon policy 2
 - B- monitoring 12
 - C- OA-related water quality criteria 4
 - D- nutrients and coastal acidification 8

- 7) What is your top priority for MOCA subgroups?
- A- Monitoring 11
 - B- Policy 4
 - C- Funding 5
 - D- Outreach/Education 2
 - E- Remediation 5

8) Do you see a MOCA monitoring subgroup as playing a key effort in creating a coordinated monitoring effort in Maine?

- A- yes 21
- B- no 5

9) What might be key actions a monitoring subgroup could take?

- A- coordinate among the groups monitoring coastal acidification in Maine (FOCB, MCOA, UMaine...) 21
- B- coordinate with NECAN 6
- C- coordinate with EPA 0

10) In an ideal world, which organization(s) should host and coordinate monitoring and experimental data about acidification in Maine?

- A- NECAN 9
- B- MOCA Partnership 1
- C- NOAA 7
- D- Academic or Other Organizations 2
- E- Maine DEP 8

11) Would it be beneficial for MOCA to coordinate Maine-focused OA research proposals in order to avoid submitting competing proposals from Maine and/or have MOCA play an official outreach role for proposed OA research?

- A- Yes 16
- B- No 9

Survey Results Discussion:

- In order to make progress there is a need to communicate how and why OCA is relevant.
- Looking to NECAN for education and Outreach. Esperanza is connecting NECAN and MOCA.
- State Based Communication is effective.
- NECAN can target audiences to provide various jurisdictions with the information they need.
- Botanic Gardens were mentioned.
- Much of our work has to be at a town by town level, focusing locally.
- Messaging within communities will have to be more targeted.
- There is great interest in citizen science as a theme for future symposia.
- Consensus over MOCA's role in coordinating monitoring efforts but not in hosting the data. NECAN was considered. NOAA was proposed with recognition that their criteria would be stringent.
- Many forms of monitoring turn into education programs.
- Oyster festival and community outreach and fair events should be considered.
- Utilize the Maine narrative as a pioneering stat. We were the first certified seaweed producer, and the first to use artisanal management strategies.
- We know that OCA is coming and we do not have all the answers, but this fact in no way should slow down our efforts to prepare and mitigate.
- There is enormous potential for better coordinating with local leadership and local municipal decision makers.

- Nuanced messaging is so important for the business/science relationship. Responsible outreach is key.
- Look into the “Billion Oysters Project” through the New York Governors School.
- Coordinate with the International Conference and Workshop on Lobsters that will be held in Portland.
- Bowdoin Coastal Studies Center is a resource.
- The “Common Water Fair” could be developed.