

# MTS Diving Technical Committee

## 18 January 2023 Meeting Agenda

### Welcome (M. Lombardi)

- Acknowledge Leadership present
- Acknowledge participants

### Summarize Recent Activities to-date (M. Lombardi)

- Restate and emphasize Committee purpose:

*The MTS Diving Committee's purpose is to take an active leadership role in steering fundamental issues [and opportunities] surrounding the development and application of new diving technology and techniques among and between occupational diving communities.*

- December Committee Leadership mtg summary – define activities to pursue our purpose, consistent with CoP, and engage current and new MTS members in a collective effort to reach our goals.
- Communications: a stand-alone web presence progress **(Paulstephen C.)**

### Forthcoming MTS and Industry Activities/Opportunities (R. Mirick)

*Open question – what are best mechanisms for this Committee to engage in diving community forums and activities?*

- OCEANS 2023 Gulf Coast (Biloxi, MS / Gulfport, MS area) and OCEANS 2023 Limerick UK
- Rebreather Forum 4
- Annual conferences sponsored by DEMA Diving Equipment & Marketing Association in November 2023 in New Orleans, and ADCI Underwater Intervention annual conferences

### Budget/Treasurers Report (open position)

- No budget / no revenue or expenses for 2022
- We have an opportunity to request funds in January for 2023.

**Proposed Activities (M. Lombardi lead, open discussion, 15 minute cutoff)**

Committee Leadership identifies possible points of engagement throughout an academic, vocational, and avocational diver life cycle (ref below chart). Some are low/no-cost, some require funds to implement.

*To wider Committee – brainstorm on ideas, actionable items, and sub-groups (and partners) to implement.*

<b>Career Points</b>	<b>Candidate Activity</b>
K-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• develop/distribute a classroom poster/educational material</li></ul>
7-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• facilitate Discover SCUBA experiences aligning with STEM, RoboSub, IHPSR, other fully funded youth programs such as Sea Scouts (part of the USCG Auxiliary).</li></ul>
College/undergrad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• facilitate a diving technology experience(s), similar to MATE (now MATE-MTS) ROV competition</li></ul>
College/post-graduate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• facilitate a scholarship/internship program to bridge academic-industry</li></ul>
Non-degree Vocational	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• facilitate job placement resource sharing</li></ul>
Military	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• facilitate TechBridge / SkillBridge style pipeline for dive-specific technologies</li></ul>
Professional/Occupational Diving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Participate in current industry events – UI, AAUS, RF4, RSTC, other</li><li>• Technology Characterization: workshops to engage the ‘gray’ areas</li><li>• Build out Verification of Qualifications program, similar to CMarTech</li></ul>

**Future Meetings (P. Chierico)**

- Suggest bi-annual or quarterly formal mtgs, with e-correspondence in between
- Sub-committees or workgroups convene as required
- Set next dates