

**NASA ADVISORY COUNCIL (NAC)
Ad-Hoc Task Force on Planetary Defense**

MINUTES

Meeting Date: August 17 and 20, 2010

AGENDA:

- Ad-Hoc Task Force Final Report and Recommendations

ATTENDING:

Ad-Hoc Task Force: Tom Jones (Co-Chair), Rusty Schweickart (Co-Chair), Richard Binzel, Clark Chapman, Lindley Johnson, Brian Wilcox, Donald Yeomans, Bette Siegel, Jane Parham, Whitney Hassell and Lauren Smith

Public: Randell Correll, Ball Aerospace; Eugenie Reich, Reporter (Nature), Charles Miller, NASA HQ; and Dan McGarthy, Johnson Space Center

Task Force members met on August 17 and August 20, via Webex, to draft the Task Force final report and recommendations.

DISCUSSION

Ad-Hoc Task Force on Planetary Defense Report

The Task Force members discussed in detail the wording and organization of their final report to the NAC, editing previous drafts for consensus, accuracy, clarity and impact.

During the discussion, the point was made that NASA Administrator Bolden has acknowledged publicly the importance of Planetary Defense.

The Task Force will brief NAC Chair, Ken Ford, by telecon on the recommendations to get a heads up on whether or not they are meeting his expectations. The Task Force will have the opportunity to brief the Council on recommendations in October.

Public Comments:

- Unpredicted events would be interesting to characterize after the event and bring to the public's awareness.