

promise of an astrophysics program over the next few decades. There will be a call for white paper input leading up to a community workshop later in the spring.

The impact of sequestration on the NASA Science Mission Directorate will be slowing down the start of newly-selected PI-led missions like the Explorers, the Discovery mission recently down-selected, and the Earth Venture mission recently selected. The R&A program will be affected as well.

With regards to OSTP's plans for open publications and open data, NASA is already working on this issue. All of the mission data are made available through data archives and NASA's process will be negotiating what the limits are on the data that have to go into an open archive; talking with NSF and other agencies on this.

Space-X successfully launched their re-supply mission to the International Space Station. Each successful launch of the Falcon 9 launch vehicle brings it closer to certification of the launch vehicle for science payloads. NASA is looking forward to the launch of the Antares launch vehicle; first launch from the Mid-Atlantic spaceport (Wallops) in late spring.

Kathy Turner reported that the HEPAP meeting will be March 11-12. She indicated it would be beneficial for someone from the AAAC to either attend in person or by telecon. She is interested in providing some overlap in HEPAP membership with the AAAC.

DOE provided a letter to Senator Mikulski outlining plans for sequestration for the Office of Science. Each office is developing plans for operating laboratories, managing existing and new projects, etc.

The remainder of the meeting was dedicated to discussion of the Committee's draft annual report due 15 March 2013. The Committee spent time reviewing and editing the draft report. The report will contain a set of findings and recommendations.

Ms. Pentecost has provided the Chair with the names and addresses of report recipients.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:00 PM EST, 1 MARCH 2013