



Annual CCM Breakfast Meeting Notes

Notes from the Annual CCM meeting January 14, 2009 in Phoenix, AZ provided by Paul Fransioli and Gerry Mulvey

The address to the CCM body was partitioned into part from the outgoing Chair: Peter Robinson and part from the incoming Chair: Gerry Mulvey

Peter Robinson summarized the accomplishments of the past year

1. Mentorship initiative
2. CCM program growth
 - 13, Completed
 - 11, CertifiedSix oral examinations over the last two days
One candidate awaiting an oral examination
3. Peter described progress towards an electronic CCM application and examination process.
4. Continuing Professional Development requirement of the CCM program is fully in effect. There was a discussion on the inter-relationship between short courses and PDP. It was noted that the MWA and the AMS have some joint certifications at the level of operational meteorologist.
5. John Toohey-Morales described the AMS Executive Council's opinions that the CCM program definition should be broadened to include climatology, hydrology, operational meteorology, and other "specialties". This aspect is important for future CCM marketing. There was also a discussion on professional ethics and the oversight role of the BCCM.
6. It was noted that the NOAA plan for a certified Oceanographer program has been placed on hold.
7. There was interest from the Membership to separate the AMS CCM web pages to highlight active, inactive and deceased CCMs. Inactive CCM were described to be those that had not paid their annual dues and have not completed the required CPD by 1 February. It was also suggested that CCM not meeting the above criteria should be barred from advertising themselves as having CCM credentials.

Peter Robinson also provided his perspective on future needs and directions

Gerry Mulvey provided an overview of his initiatives for 2009

1. Quarterly news letter describing the activities of the BCCM and items of general interest to the CCM membership
2. Update of the CCM Web site

3. CCM Examination re-vamping
 - a. Jim Giraytys expanded on this description to describe efforts during the past year and planning for 2009 to upgrade the current CCM examination questions
4. An invitation was extended to the membership to evangelize new CCM applicants.
5. The CCM tool box project is to move forward as only one objection was received. Coordination with Corinne Kazarosian – AMS Director of Information Systems will be started to implement the plan.
6. Gerry Mulvey described his plans to develop a handbook for new BCCM members and one for the Chair
7. He also described an overview of the plan to establish “sleeper” Regional CCM examination boards to be activated on an as needed basis.