

Metro Atlanta AMS/NWA Chapter Minutes

**President James Belanger, President-Elect Daniel Dix, Treasurer Sean Miller, Secretary Caroline Zager
September 29, 2011**

Attendance: 45

Business:

Treasurer's Report

As of 9/27/2011, Total Assets of \$1444.56 and no outstanding liabilities.

Please pay your chapter dues. Students: \$10, Full Membership: \$20, Corporate Sponsors: \$50

Design Contest for Polo Shirts (New for 2011)

Please continue to submit your designs. All designs must be submitted to chapter officers (or to atlamsnwa@gmail.com) by October 31, 2011. Voting will be done online November 1-16. Look for an email for information on the voting window. Remember, the winner of the design contest will receive a free polo shirt. More information on cost, color, and ordering of shirts to come at October and November meetings.

Featured Presenters

Dave Hennen, *Senior Meteorologist and Weather Producer for CNN Domestic*

Brandon Miller, *Senior Meteorologist and Weather Producer for CNN International*

Before the tour began, Brandon and Dave provided some history of CNN and specifically CNN weather. They discussed how the meteorologists and weather producers are asked to provide information on anything related to the Earth System not just weather including earthquakes, flooding, space weather, etc. They use a variety of private and public resources mainly from groups like WSI, NOAA, Google Earth, etc.

After a short presentation on the history of CNN and the divisions of CNN Domestic and CNN International, Brandon and Dave broke the chapter into two groups to tour the news and weather studios. A few other CNN reporters and weather producers also helped out with the tour including Ivan Cabrera and Taylor Ward.

After the tour, Dave and Brandon asked CNN trivia questions to the audience and for the first person that responded correctly, they could select a CNN weather memorabilia prize.

James concluded the meeting by presenting both Dave and Brandon with an AMS coffee mug and reminded the chapter about our next meeting.

Next Meeting

Thursday, Oct 13, at ES&T L1255 Georgia Tech

Atmospheric Research and Technologies at the Savannah River Site

Dr. Robert Addis

School of EAS - Georgia Tech