AMERICAN METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY
Minutes of the 23 January 2022
Meeting of the Council
Houston, TX

Participants--- President Mike Farrar, President-Elect Rich Clark, Past-Presidents Mary Glackin and Jenni Evans, Secretary-Treasurer Bruce Telfeyan, and Executive Director Stella Kafka. *Councilors*: Joan Alexander, Deke Arndt, Shuyi Chen, Mark DeMaria, Kristie Ebi, Efi Foufoula-Georgiou, Erica Grow, Mike Henry, Wayne Higgins, Kim Klockow-McClain, Andrea Lang, Julie Pullen, and Jim Steenburgh. [Councilors Leung and Morris were absent.] *Commissioners*: Tony Broccoli (Publications), Ankur Desai (STAC), Kevin Goebbert (E&E), Doug Hilderbrand (Enterprise), Mike Augustyniak (Professional Affairs), and Yvette Richardson (Planning). *CIC Chair:* Melissa Burt. *Incoming President-Elect*: Brad Colman. *Incoming Council members:* Kristen Averyt, Mona Behl, Kandis Boyd, Rachel Hauser, Bernadette Woods Placky. *Incoming Commissioners:* Sue Haupt and Susan Jasko. *Future and Past Commissioners:* Heidi Centola. *Staff:* Wendy Abshire, Stephanie Armstrong, Joe Boyd, Beth Farley, Claudia Gorski, Bill Hooke, Jen Ives, Brian Papa, Katy Putsavage, Kelly Savoie, Keith Seitter, and Gwendolyn Whittaker. (Some participants attended the meeting virtually and not all participants attended the entire meeting.)

[A quorum of voting members being present, President Farrar called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. CST on 23 January 2022.]

[The numbering of the following sections corresponds to the Council agenda. The sections are listed in the order they were addressed at the meeting.]

0.0 Welcome, Roll Call, and Agenda Review

President Farrar welcomed those attending in person and online and acknowledged the service of those completing their terms with this meeting. He then introduced Executive Director Kafka, who made welcoming remarks.

2.0 Meeting Minutes and Mail Ballots

Council voted to reaffirm the e-mail ballot approvals that had occurred since the last meeting.

2.1 Ballot Structure and Guidance to Nominating Committee

Council approved maintaining the ballot structure in the same format that has been used in recent years. It suggested that the Nominating Committee continue to pay special attention to possible early career candidates and to diversity in the ballot slate. Council then discussed the goal of having student representation on Council, including approaches to achieve that goal, and reiterated its intention to proceed with adding student representation. Secretary-Treasurer Telfeyan will work with the Planning Commission to develop plans for implementation.

3.1 Culture and Inclusion Cabinet

CIC Chair Burt reviewed the history of the CIC and introduced a proposal to conduct an equity audit for the Society, the basic structure of which was described by DEI Director

Putsavage. The Council supported moving forward with this activity and asked to be kept abreast of progress.

3.2 Publications

After a brief report by Commissioner Broccoli, Council voted to approve a change in the terms of reference for the journal *Artificial Intelligence for the Earth Systems* to allow a new article type referred to as "lessons learned."

3.3 Weather, Water, and Climate Enterprise Commission

Commissioner Hilderbrand provided a brief report and the Council approved the membership of the CWWCE Steering Committee. At Council's request, Commissioner Hilderbrand also reported on progress on the AMS Weather Band since he also chairs that committee. He then introduced Sue Ellen Haupt and Heidi Centola who become Commissioner and Future Commissioner at this meeting.

4.0 Awards Oversight Committee

Past-President Glackin, AOC Chair, presented proposed changes in the terms of reference for the Award for an Exceptional Specific Prediction and the Award for Distinguished Science Journalism in the Atmospheric and Related Sciences. Council voted to approve both. There was support by Council for having all award committees work toward written rubrics to guide committee deliberations on award nominations.

5.0 Update to the Organizational Procedures

Secretary-Treasurer Telfeyan reviewed a series of updates to the Organizational Procedures, which were approved by Council. The most noteworthy updates included the addition of the Shukla Prize and rewording of several terms of reference to establish required minimum membership levels for boards and committees as opposed to specific limits on membership levels.

6.0 Possible Change in Code of Conduct Self-Reporting Requirement

President Farrar led a discussion on possible changes to the current requirements for self-disclosure of prior conduct or ethics violations before receiving an AMS award. Council was supportive of minor changes in the wording used and it was agreed that President Farrar, Executive Director Kafka and Associate Executive Director Armstrong would have draft language to present at the February Council meeting.

Closing Remarks

President Farrar offered his profound thanks to everyone for the support provided to him during his year as president and the Council expressed their appreciation for his service. It was suggested that experienced Councilors partner with incoming ones to help guide them as they learn how the Council works. There was also broad support for a suggestion that outgoing Councilors provide "exit interview" comments on their experience and any thoughts they have on how Council could better serve the Society.

Council adjourned at 10:58 p.m. CST.