AMERICAN METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY
Minutes of the 4 November 2021
Videoconference Meeting of the Council

Participants--- President Mike Farrar, President-Elect Rich Clark, Past-Presidents Mary Glackin and Jenni Evans, Secretary-Treasurer Bruce Telfeyan, and Executive Director Keith Seitter. *Councilors*: Joan Alexander, Deke Arndt, Mark DeMaria, Kristie Ebi, Efi Foufoula-Georgiou, Mike Henry, Wayne Higgins, Kim Klockow-McClain, Andrea Lang, Ruby Leung, Julie Pullen, and Jim Steenburgh. [Councilors Chen, Grow, and Morris were absent.] *Commissioners*: Tony Broccoli (Publications) and Yvette Richardson (Planning). *Future and Past Commissioners:* Mike Augustyniak and Sue Haupt. *Staff:* Wendy Abshire, Stephanie Armstrong, Joe Boyd, Beth Farley, Claudia Gorski, Paul Higgins, Bill Hooke, Jen Ives, Brian Mardirosian, Brian Papa, Katy Putsavage, Kelly Savoie, and Gwendolyn Whittaker. (Not all participants attended the entire meeting.)

A quorum of voting members being present, President Farrar called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. EDT.

0.0 Welcome, Roll Call, and Agenda Review

President Farrar welcomed everyone noted there was a full agenda for the meeting.

1.1 Proposed 2022 Budget

Executive Director Seitter briefed Council on changes to the proposed budget for 2022 made since the September presentation based on refined estimates of income and expenses. Council expressed its appreciation for the additional high-level summary that was included in the presentation. After discussion on a number of specific aspects of the budget, Council voted to approve the 2022 budget as presented.

1.2 Corporate Resolution

Executive Director Seitter presented, and Council voted to approve, a corporate resolution that authorized him to enter into a new borrowing instrument with one of the banks used by AMS that would provide for short-term loans to better manage cashflow issues.

2.0 Fifth Councilor

Council had an extended discussion on possible candidates for Fifth Councilor, with four names being approved for consideration. Council asked that Executive Director Seitter reach out to all four to see if they would be willing to serve if chosen. The resulting list will be provided to Council for a vote to select the Fifth Councilor who will join the four new Council members elected by the membership in the current election.

3.1 Proposal to Revise AMS Statement on Water Resources in the 21st Century

Council voted to approve the proposal to revise the AMS Statement on Water Resources in the 21st Century, and it was agreed that Councilors Foufoula-Georgiou and Leung would collaborate as the Council liaison to the drafting committee.

3.2 Best Practices for the Severe Weather Safety for Pre-K through Grade 12

Children at School

Council voted to approve the draft Best Practices for the Severe Weather Safety for Pre-K through Grade 12 Children at School for the 30-day comment period.

3.3 Geoengineering Statement

Councilor Alexander presented changes made to the current Statement on Geoengineering in preparing a revised statement, including changing the name to the Statement on Climate Intervention. Council voted to approve the draft statement for the 30-day comment period and suggested that the companion document that discussed the changes and rationale for each be included in the posting.

4.0 Certified Digital Meteorologist

After discussion, Council voted to approve the proposal for a new Certified Digital Meteorologist designation to proceed to the next step in the process and form an ad hoc committee to further explore the details on such a certification. Council charged the ad hoc committee with explicitly exploring whether the new designation could be incorporated in the current Certified Broadcast Meteorologist program.

Additional discussion

President Farrar asked for a volunteer from the Council to serve on a Code of Conduct Appeal Committee and two Council members volunteered for consideration.

There was some discussion that with the recent approval for the 30-day comment period of a draft statement on resilience in extreme cold weather events, it would be good to explore companion statements dealing with extreme heat events and with resilience of infrastructure more broadly.

Council adjourned at 4:32 p.m. EDT.