AMERICAN METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY
Minutes of the 8 January 2023
Meeting of the Council of the AMS, Crestone Ballroom Salon, Embassy Suites, Denver

Participants--- President Rich Clark, President-Elect Brad Colman, Past-Presidents Mary Glackin and Mike Farrar, Incoming President-Elect Anjuli Bamzai, **Councilors;** Julie Pullen, Kandis Boyd, Joan Alexander, Deke Arndt, Kristen Averyt, Mona Behl, Shuyi Chen, Mark DeMaria, Efi Foufoula Georgiou, Rachel Hauser, Andrea Lang, Bernadette Woods Placky, and Mike Henry; Executive Director Stella Kafka and Secretary-Treasurer Bruce Telfeyan, **In-Coming Councilors;** DaNa Carlis, Rong Fu, Rebecca DePodwin, Michelle Mainelli, and Erin Coughlan de Perez, **Commissioners;** Tony Broccoli, Ankur Desai, Kristi Franz, Clark Evans, Kevin Goebbert, Lis Cohen, Sue Ellen Haupt, Heidi Centola, Mike Augustyniak, Eric Cei, Susan Jasko, Kim Klackow McClain, and Melissa Burt; **AMS Staff;** W. Abshire, S. Armstrong, A. Mancinelli, B. Farley, C. Gorski, P. Higgins, J. Ives, B. Mardirosian, B. Papa, G. Whittaker, and K Putsavage, **Visitors;** Richard Rosen and five Student Fellowship Winners

1. Call to Order and Quorum Check

President Clark called the meeting to order at 8:18 a.m. MST on 7 Jan 2023. Secretary-Treasurer Telfeyan called the roll and confirmed the presence of a quorum and informed the participants that the meeting was being recorded. President Clark thanked Mary Glackin for her four years of service in the presidency and previous volunteer service to the Society as a Commissioner and on numerous boards and committees. He thanked Julie Pullen, Deke Arndt, Efi Foufoula Georgiou, Vernon Morris, and Ruby Leung (the five council members completing their terms) for their service and for faithfully representing their constituents, the members of the Society. He also thanked Commissioners Doug Hilderbrand and Genene Fisher for completing their six years of diligent service. He welcomed the five Student Fellowship Winners and congratulated them on their diligent efforts and contributions to the Society. This was followed by a round-table introduction of all attendees at the Council meeting.

2. Consent Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to approve the consent agenda. In a brief discussion, S-T Telfeyan noted that the Organizational Procedures of the AMS have been fully updated to encompass all changes adopted by the Council in the preceding year. He also noted that he had improved the navigability of the Procedures by adding internal links. Rich Clark expressed thanks for this improvement. The consent agenda was approved unanimously.

3. Future of Meetings Task Force

Director of Meetings Jen Ives provided an update of this task force. She noted that the group recruited new members and recently had a kickoff call, chaired by Scott Collis, Clark Evans and Makenzie Krocak. She encouraged those interested in the task force to attend the Town Hall on Monday, 9 January at 12:15pm

4. Open Discussion

- Mike Henry provided an update from the ad hoc committee on the functioning of the Council. Among several suggestions, he focused on the need for a self-assessment of their efforts and performance by the Council members themselves. ED Kafka echoed this need.
- ED Kafka highlighted the ongoing efforts of the ad hoc committee on the Constitution and Bylaws and the general governance of the Society.

- Mona Behl gave an update on the Ad Hoc Task Force on Synthesizing Improvements to AMS Awards and Nomination Processes. She noted that volunteers for this vital effort include Mary Glackin, Kandis Boyd, Rich Clark, Bruce Telfeyan, and Beth Farley.

5. AMS's Climate Science & Services Initiative

President-Elect Colman provided an update on the efforts of his task force and the envisioned key activities for his strategic plan. These efforts will form a solid foundation for AMS activities at the 2024 Annual Meeting.

6. Discussion of proposals for access to AMS journals

Tony Broccoli, Gwendolyn Whittaker, and AED Brian Papa provided an overview exploring several options for a different and improved subscription pricing model for individual AMS Member journal subscribers. He reviewed the current model and noted the significant administrative and technical burden and lack of profitability when support costs are included. He also presented two alternate options. One would provide individual AMS Members of all professional types free access to all AMS online journals content as a member benefit. The other option would introduce a flat fee charge for individual subscribers who are AMS Members to access all journals online content. He noted that he will have a definite plan for the Council at the late April/early May meeting. The EC had endorsed the idea to present a final plan to the Council this spring.

7. Certified Consulting Climatologist (CCC) Proposal

After thorough discussion and wide agreement on the need for this new certification, a motion was made and approval granted to evaluate the CCC proposal. Separately, a motion was made and approved to form an ad hoc committee to evaluate the issues relevant to climate engagement within AMS.

8. Waiver Process for monographs

A motion was made to extend the waiver process for monographs. After brief discussion, it was approved without dissent.

9. Translation of the AMS Glossary into Spanish

Efforts to achieve a Spanish translation of the AMS Glossary continue to progress. Brian Papa provided a thorough update and the estimated cost of the endeavor will likely range from $150,000 to $500,000. Mike Farrar mentioned the idea of partnering with any South American or Central American meteorological organizations to carry out this effort.

10. Report for the American Institute of Physics to the AMS Leadership

AIP Chief Federation Officer, James Taylor, provided an update of AIP activities to the AMS Council. He reviewed the AIP Strategic Transformation and provided a review of key programs and initiatives. Dr. Taylor's presentation was extremely well received by the Council with sentiments of thanks for joining with us and for ongoing collaborative activities.

11. **Closing**

President Clark thanked the Council and AMS staff for joining together and contributing to achieve an extremely productive Council meeting. The next Council meeting will take place in late April or early May with details to be determined. Rich encouraged everyone to have an extremely enjoyable and productive week in Denver and thanked all for their selfless contributions. The meeting adjourned at 1:35 pm.