

AMS Committee on Environmental Responsibility Conference Call

18 November, 2013

Meeting Notes

Attendees: Claudia Gorski, Caroline Normile, Rebecca Haacker-Santos, Dian Seidel, Marge Huntington, Rich Clark, Dominic Cammarota, Kathy Schreiber

Notes: Karen Smith Herman (UCAR)

Updates on Working Plan 2013:

G1 – Community Service 2014:

Rich has not been involved in the planning, since Jen Sprague took the lead. Claudia shared the website with which provides the event details

<http://annual.ametsoc.org/2014/index.cfm/programs-and-events/volunteers-opportunities-weather-ready-nation-community-service-events/>

Please contact Jen if you wanted to reach out to volunteer or if you had any questions.

G2 – Community Service 2015

Ana is working with *Hands on Phoenix*, a group that organizes volunteer events for businesses and larger groups, to put together a proposal for possible activities in 2015. Ana will reach out to Bill Gail, introduce him to *Hands on Phoenix* and discuss ideas a group. Kathy will join this discussion as she will be leading the CER starting in February.

G3 – Town Hall 2014

The town hall is scheduled for Monday, 12:15-1:15pm. [Update: Since the conference call, Dominic and Keith have been in contact and are discussing his participation. It looks like Keith might have time to attend.] A short presentation by Keith would be followed by a presentation of the CER's work to date, invite input from attendees and invite interested AMS members to join the committee in-person meeting Monday evening. Diane suggested preparing 2-4 topics to discuss after the presentations, to manage input from attendees and to make best use of the time/attendees ideas. Kathy will join by Skype, Marge will check on logistics for that.

G4 – Presence in exhibit hall

Rebecca mailed the Banner design to Brenda. The banner will be at AMS resource booth. Rebecca will prepare a one-pager for Claudia by mid Jan, so she can brief her staff and volunteers in case they get questions about the CER.

G5 – Presence at Awards Banquet

Marge shared the Awards Banquet with the CER and is checking on Vegetarian meal. Working with the convention center on getting locally sourced food items has been a good experience so far. Marge will connect with Eugene to produce a short write-up with Marshall to include in his remarks.

G6 – Student Engagement

Rich is working on student chapters engaging in environmental activities. We briefly discussed recognizing chapters during the student chapter awards for outstanding achievement in environmentally oriented chapter activities. [Update: Please see Rich's email from 11/20 and discuss his proposal of a CER student award]. Caroline would like to be involved in activities with G6 and has some ideas on using social media to engage chapters.

G7 – Weatherfest

Dominic is available to support a CER booth at Weatherfest. [Update: Eugene is planning to host a booth with support of his and Rebecca's students. Booth has been reserved with Jenn Rosen].

G8-10: no discussion

G11: Committee Website

Dian urged to keep the website updated and Claudia offered support in case updates are delayed or need follow-up.

Other: In-person Meeting

Meeting room has been requested for Monday evening. Rebecca will connect with Kathy to co-lead meeting.