

AMS Committee on Wildfire Weather, Technology and Risk

Committee Meeting

November 27th, 2023

Meeting Attendees:

Name	Present	Name	Present
Brian D'Agostino	X	Maria Sharpe	
Alexandra Grayson	X	Nicholas McCarthy	
Lisa Kriederman	X	Pam Emch	
Sarah Fairman	X	Philip Bartlett	
Branko Kosovic		Randy Denzer	
Brian Viner		Robyn Heffernan	X
Craig Clements	X	Tim Brown	X
Douglas Hilderbrand		Steve Vanderburg	

1) Quick review of minutes/action items from September meeting

Still seeking logistics about the Maui seminar

- at AMS annual meeting
- ad hoc virtual seminar?

Robyn invited to a presidential session at AMS on wildfire generally

- interested in seeing if all wildfire talks can be moved under the same umbrella
- could CC Brian and Doug to coordinate this session and Maui
- the presidential session is not scheduled; there is one on air and water with FEMA scheduled

2) Review of 2023 Committee Goals

a. Participation in 2024 AMS Annual Meeting? – Brian to provide updates on all below

- i. We have a session out in the call for abstracts for the Commission on Weather, Water and Climate Enterprise (WWCE) symposium.

Hosting a Joint Panel Discussion

- Tuesday, January 30th 4:30 - 6:00 PM in Room 307
- Speakers
 - Atmospheric data solutions
 - Utilities
 - Craig Clements or others from the Wildfire Interdisciplinary Research Center

- ii. We are working on multiple joint sessions with the Forum on Climate Linked Economics and 15Energy.

- iii. We inquired with AMS Conference Organizers about starting a new conference in 2025

This was submitted; looking to host presidential sessions in 2026

- b. Collaborate with existing AMS efforts on wildfire? (AMS Forest and Fire Conference) – is there anybody who can connect with the Scientific Technical Advisory Committee (STAC)

We need an official liaison to the STAC (this may be Brian D'Agostino)
Brian Viner is the current listed liaison, the May AMS Forest and Fire Conference/Symposium is under forest and agriculture STAC

- Fire is now a separate STAC so we should consolidate

c. Development of an AMS Statement/Committee Charter: -

3) Action Items:

1. Marketing the Committee
 - a. Updating AMS website (still listed as ad hoc)
 - b. Marketing in Baltimore
2. Plan in-person meeting in Baltimore
 - a. AMS 101 presentation for Committee members
 - i. Objectives and Agenda: Understanding STACs, organizational structure, etc.
 - ii. Q&A with and Invitations to: Sue, Bill, and AMS staff
 - b. Tim reaching out to Annual Meeting organizers for a meeting room and lunch
3. Tim will get the AMS Forest and Fire Conference listed under the fire STAC

4) Next Meeting Agenda Items:

