

AMERICAN METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY
Minutes of the 30 May 2017
Teleconference Meeting of the Council

Participants--- President-Elect Roger Wakimoto, Past-Presidents Frederick Carr and Alexander MacDonald, Secretary-Treasurer Richard Rosen, and Executive Director Keith Seitter.

Councilors: Philip Ardanuy, Elizabeth Austin, Andrea Bleistein, Carol Anne Clayson, John Cortinas, David Gochis, James Kinter, Kevin Petty, Alan Sealls, and Adam Sobol. [Councilors Easterling, Fransen, Furgione, Haupt, and Riemer were absent.] *Others:* Tom Champoux, Paul Higgins, William Hooke, and Michael Morgan

President-Elect Wakimoto called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. EST on Tuesday, 30 May, and welcomed all. The roll was called, and Executive Director Seitter confirmed that a quorum of voting members was present.

1.0 Water Resources in the 21st Century Statement

President-Elect Wakimoto led the discussion, noting that the draft statement had been through the prescribed process and that some additional revisions were made as a result of Council feedback prior to the call. The Council voted to approve the statement.

2.0 Bachelor's Degree in Atmospheric Sciences

Past-Councilor Michael Morgan, who had served as the Council liaison to the drafting committee, provided additional background on the draft statement and responded to several questions raised in both the Council online and conference call discussion. The Council approved the statement as provided with one minor edit.

3.0 Diversity and Inclusion Task Force

President-Elect Wakimoto reviewed the white paper he had prepared for the Council on this topic. There was strong support for the creation of a task force to review the Society's current efforts in addressing issues of diversity and inclusion and to make recommendations for improvement. Council voted to approve the creation of the task force, its goals, and its membership.

4.0 Revised AMS Copyright Policy

Executive Director Seitter reviewed proposed revisions to the AMS Copyright Policy required by recent changes in Federal funding agency requirements. Council voted to approve the revisions, allowing for some small edits in one section to make the policy more clearly stated.

The meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.