

American Meteorological Society (AMS)
Aviation, Range, and Aerospace Meteorology (ARAM) Committee
Meeting Agenda and Minutes, January 6, 2015, Phoenix, AZ
7:00-8:30 MST, Desert Sky Room at the Sheraton Hotel

1. Welcome
2. Introduction of new ARAM Committee members
 - a. Jason Knievel
 - b. Alex Mahalov
 - c. Adam Brainard
 - d. Morgan Gorris
3. Our appreciation to members completing their terms
 - a. John Mecikalski
 - b. Matthias Steiner
 - c. Nathan Wright
 - d. Fran Houtas Beckert (resigned)
4. Technical Meetings
 - a. Thanks to Bill Bauman for being Program Chair for this week's meeting.
 - b. January 13, 2016, New Orleans LA, 5th Aviation, Range and Aerospace Meteorology Special Symposium. Tim Miner has volunteered to be the Program Chair for our 5th Symposium. Thanks, Tim!
 - c. January 22–26, 2017, Seattle WA, 18th Conference on Aviation, Range, and Aerospace Meteorology. Program chair needed!
 - d. January 10, 2018, Austin, TX, 6th Aviation, Range and Aerospace Meteorology Special Symposium.
5. Lessons Learned: We ask for inputs after the meetings, so please make notes of anything that you notice that we should let future program chairs know about, good or bad.
 - a. Session chairs can keep from falling behind schedule by skipping the Q&A portion if time has run out, or even by getting up and going to the speaker to influence them to wrap up.

- b. Session chairs can keep from getting ahead of schedule if speakers end early by having extra questions to ask to take up a little time.
- 6. ARAM Web Page update from Bjarne Hansen and Kathy Winters.
 - a. Kathy is the ARAM webmaster. Please send updates or suggestions to her.
 - b. Please be prepared to review and comment on ARAM page linked from ARAM STAC page, or
<http://www2.ametsoc.org/stac/index.cfm/committees/committee-on-aviation-range-and-aerospace-meteorology/>
 - c. TOR review. Post-note: We are required to review our TOR every three years; however, we can update it whenever we feel it is out of date.
Can check at
<http://www2.ametsoc.org/stac/index.cfm/committees/committee-on-aviation-range-and-aerospace-meteorology/terms-of-reference/> from time to time. NOTE: even minor changes require AMS Council approval, so we should avoid wordsmith changes and submit only those of significant substance.
 - d. Current content is key; help Kathy.
- 7. Member nominations for up to eight ARAM members with terms expiring January 31, 2016.
 - a. Of the three committee members whose terms are expiring on January 31, 2016, one is eligible for a second term: Mike Richards.
 - b. Two other members (John Murray and Kathy Winters) will have reached their maximum participation under AMS rules and will rotate off of the committee in February 2016.
 - c. Suggestions for new committee members are welcome. We will attempt to maintain a mixture of aviation, range, and aerospace interests.
 - d. We are welcoming Adam Brainard and Morgan Gorris as new student members. They join Matt Vaughan, who is in his second term as a student member.
 - e. We are soliciting interested people via the ARAM web page.
- 8. ARAM Student best paper/poster award (cash prize) report by Matthias Steiner and Mike Robinson.

9. Thanks to **** for volunteering to be a Student Poster Conference judge.
10. Student travel.
 - a. There is an opportunity for student travel support by open competition.
 - b. Our volunteers to organize the student travel selection process have been John Mecikalski with assistance from Matt Vaughan. Note that Matt is a student member of the ARAM Committee, and he volunteered to assist in the selection process with the understanding that he himself would not be considered eligible to be a recipient. Also note that John will rotate off the committee. Need a volunteer to replace him.
11. Sessions on Volcanic Ash. The sessions on volcanic ash are being hosted by the Committee on Environmental Information Processing Technologies, EIPT (formerly known as Interactive Information Processing Technologies, IIPS) on Monday in room 132AB. Note ARAM is not cohosting these sessions. In fact, our joint session on Weather Observing Systems via Airborne Platforms will run in parallel with the second volcanic ash session on Monday afternoon. The joint session will be at 1:30 Monday in room 131C.
12. Items from Saturday's STAC meeting.
13. Glossary review. We received two requests to review terms and responded.
14. Nominations for awards, lectures, and fellows needed.
 - a. Nominations for awards and lectures can be from any AMS member or group.
 - i. Example, for exceptional prediction
 - ii. Example, for contribution to advancement of applied science
 - b. ARAM can create its own award, such as for an exceptional career or accomplishment. We have discussed doing this during Symposium years when we do not have a best student paper competition. This Symposium-year award was proposed to involve users.
15. Conclusion. Thanks for coming!