



AMS Weather Analysis and Forecasting Committee Meeting Agenda

10 February 2023, 2 PM ET/1 PM CT/12 PM MT/11 AM PT

<https://meet.google.com/zds-wnxe-woc>

Attendance

Stephanie Avey	X	Louisa Nance	X
Matthew Beitscher	On-shift out of office	Philippe Papin	X
Alicia Bentley	X	Sarah Perfater	X
Stephen Bieda III	X	Jon Poterjoy	X
Tomer Burg	X	Rosimar Rios-Berrios	
Austin Coleman	X	Clayton Sasaki	X
Keenan Eure	X	Sara Sienkiewicz	X
Andrei Evbuoma	X	Andrew Winters	X
Victor Gensini		Eddie Wolff	X
Aaron Hill	x	Kim Wood	X
Joseph Koval	x	Chasity Wright	X
Ryan Lagerquist		Nusrat Yussouf	
Daniel Lloveras	X	Stephanie Zick	X
Katie Magee			

Discussion Items

1. Welcome to the 2023 Term!

- a. Introduction of new committee members
 - i. Clayton Sasaki
 - ii. Eddie Wolff
 - iii. Stephanie Zick
 - iv. Andrei Evbuoma

2. New Business: Implementation Planning Subcommittee (lead: Stephen)

- a. This is a new subcommittee charged with creating an implementation plan for the WAF committee of the recently published [Strategic Plan](#) by August 1.



- b. **Action Item:** Please let Stephen know by the end of this month if you wish to serve on the Implementation Planning subcommittee, including leading it!
 - i. Alicia asked for an example implementation plan.

3. **Continuing Business: 2024 Annual Meeting (lead: Stephen)**

- a. We're happy to announce the 2nd Symposium on the Future of Weather, Forecasting, and Practice!
 - i. **Action Item:** If you would like to serve on the organizing committee as either Co-Chairs or Committee members for this symposium, please let Stephen know by the end of this month!
 - 1. Andrei Evbuoma has volunteered to Chair, and we seek a 2nd co-Chair to help lead the effort.
 - 2. Matthew Beitscher, Tomer Burg, Stephanie Avey have volunteered to be one of the committee members.
 - ii. Questions
 - 1. Andrei: Do we have to stick with what the 1st iteration looked like?
 - a. Stephen: No, we do not.
 - 2. Louisa: The WAF Committee sponsored community modeling symposium (EPICM). The group is pursuing a new committee within AMS. Asked if WAF would be willing to sponsor?
 - a. Stephanie: Would this be in addition to the current symposia? We requested 2 rooms for 3 days.
 - i. Louisa: We had 2 days worth of sessions, but also had multiple joint sessions. Was helping organize.

4. **Continuing Business: 2023 32nd WAF/28th NWP + Mesoscale Conferences (co-leads: Stephanie, Alicia, Matt)**

- a. July 17-21, Madison, WI
- b. Abstracts submissions open!
 - i. Closing March 10th
 - ii. Please share on social media if that's your thing
- c. Still working on some finer details with the Student Grants
 - i. Need to begin advertising these ASAP!
 - ii. There are 4 student grants >\$400 for travel.
 - iii. Questions
 - 1. Levels of students? Graduate and undergraduate students are considered.
 - 2. How are conflicts of interest handled (e.g., travel grants and conferences)?
 - a. Travel Grants: You are not permitted to apply for a WAF/NWP grant if serving on WAF.
 - b. Abstracts: There are no restrictions.
 - 3. When does the message go out to manage the sessions?



- a. After the abstracts get submitted, the sessions will be sorted.
 - b. Stephanie: You do not have to be on the planning committee to chair or co-chair a session.
 - 4. Would there be a problem with a person on the planning committee submitting an abstract?
 - a. No, as long as you do not review your own.
 - b. Andrei volunteered to assist with abstract reviews.
 - 5. Submitting multiple abstracts as oral talks?
 - a. There is a tendency to only pick 1, with the rest as posters.
- d. Student competition
 - i. Need volunteers to act as judges!
 - ii. Will send out a google form to solicit interest in the coming months
 - 1. Louisa: Please distribute to your favorite mailing list to spread the word about student judging! Would like 3 people per presentation to judge.
 - 2. Please reach out if you wish to judge! (Kim Wood & Andrew Winters, Austin Coleman volunteered in chat)
- e. Schedule will be Mon-Fri
 - i. Likely ending by noon on Friday
 - ii. "Hackathon" potentially held Friday afternoon
 - iii. Poster sessions during the morning to increase participation!
- f. Student engagement efforts with the Board of Student Affairs
- g. Testing out Slido for AMS
- h. Questions/Discussion
 - i. Has there been any consideration for a map discussion?
 - 1. If there is enough interest, we could do this pre-session
 - ii. We may also collaborate on an event with the Lakeside Kid's program!

5. **Continuing Business: Society-Level Awards (lead: Stephanie)**

- a. Will need volunteers to chair each society level award committee (2)
 - i. Coordinate calls, collect votes, etc.
 - 1. Aaron Hill volunteers to lead the Mitchell Award
 - 2. Victor Gensini volunteers to chair ESP.
- b. If you are not signed up for any Society-Level awards committees, please let **Stephanie know this month** on which committee(s) you would like to serve.
 - i. The Award for an Exceptional Specific Prediction ([link](#))
 - ii. The Charles L. Mitchell Award ([link](#))
 - iii. The Francis W. Reichelderfer Award ([link](#)); 2 members accounted for.

6. **Subcommittee Reports**

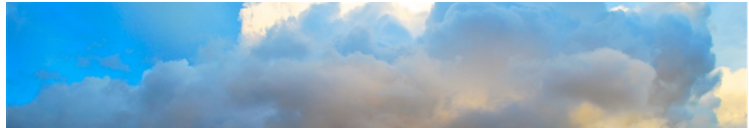
- a. **Glossary (lead: Andrew)**



- i. Jennifer officially transitioned out of her leadership role – thanks to her for everything she's done for the glossary!
 - ii. No active glossary reviews at this time
 - iii. If interested in being on sub-committee, email Andrew at andrew.c.winters@colorado.edu
 - 1. Joe Koval, Aaron Hill, Eddie Wolf are interested in joining Glossary committee
- b. **Social Media (lead: Katie)**
 - i. THANK YOU to everyone who helped with live tweeting at AMS last month!!!
 - 1. Lots of lessons learned and best practices developed to help us with future versions of this - please let Katie know if you have any feedback or ideas
 - ii. Monthly social media management ([suggested topic list](#)): Katie can schedule 1-on-1 training or provide a recorded video with how to post on social media pages from our accounts - whatever works best for you!
 - 1. February: Katie Magee
 - 2. March: Philippe Papin
 - 3. April: Sarah Perfater
 - iii. If interested in being on sub-committee, email Katie at Kathleen.Magee@noaa.gov
- c. **Webmaster (lead: Matt)**
 - i. Still locked out of uploading headshots to the website, AMS is unsure of the issue.
 - ii. Matt will be giving more responsibilities over to Tomer as webmaster.
 - 1. Looking to reorganize the headshot section with bios.
 - iii. Questions?
 - 1. Should new members send that stuff? or not ready yet because of website issues?
 - a. Tomer will be working with Matt on trying to update this process.

7. Chair's Report

- a. Please review the committee's [membership roster](#) to confirm your contact information and committee role(s). If you are not currently signed up to help with at least one committee activity (conference planning, implementation plan, glossary, social media, webmaster), **please let me know this month** on which committee(s) you would like to serve this year!
 - i. Committee focus areas:
 - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ooz6LYGH93o_YYkkeybDWhBW6yD3EGB27VYOHfINVMU/edit?usp=sharing
- b. The STAC Chairs/Vice-Chairs Meeting was held at AMS 103 on Sunday January 8, 2023. The noteworthy changes are as follows:



- i. Kristie Franz is now the STAC Commissioner. Her priority during her term as STAC Commissioner is ensuring that all STAC Boards/Committees have a 5 year plan, utilizing the WAF Committee's template as an example. Our committee has been asked to assess paths forward for implementation, and to work with other conference programs to help identify/reduce similarly named sessions during AMS meetings across multiple programs.
- ii. Clark Evans is the Incoming STAC Commissioner, and will be taking oversight of the WAF Committee, among others.
- iii. Ankur Desai is the Past STAC Commissioner, though still holds a few responsibilities.

8. Meeting Minutes: Stephen will send to the entire committee for a 1 week review, before submitting to the STAC Commissioners, and posting to the webpage.

9. Next Meeting: A WhenToMeet Poll will be sent out the middle of this month (February) to schedule our next Mid-March meeting. If the committee prefers to have standing meetings, the poll can be arranged in that manner since we've transitioned chairs.

- a. Also note that we will either be using Google Meetings or Zoom going forward, as Stephanie and I do not have access to Microsoft Teams, the software previously used by Clark during his term as Chair.

10. Final Thoughts:

- a. Sarah - I was wondering if you could create a list about our biggest needs for roles - prioritize ?
 - i. Sub-Committee Priorities
 - 1. Implementation Planning Sub-Committee has only 1 member, and needs a Chair and 4 more members
 - 2. 2024 Symposium Planning Committee has 1 chair, and 3 members, with a need for 1 co-chair and up to 3 additional members. More members can be sought from the AMS community.
 - 3. Social Media has 4 members
 - 4. Glossary has 9 members
 - ii. Awards Committee Priorities
 - 1. ESP & Mitchell could each use 1 or 2 more members
 - 2. The Reichelderfer Award members are seated (only 2 needed from WAF)
- b. When2Meet Time Zone?
 - i. It defaults to your computer's time zone.

11. Adjourned at 3:01 PM EST.