

**Agenda and Meeting Minutes**  
**AMS Weather Analysis and Forecasting Committee Conference Call**

**Wednesday June 6, 12:30 pm MDT / 1:30 pm CDT / 2:30 pm EDT**

**Dial-in information**

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Participant Code: 4093786#

**1. Roll Call -- agenda and notes distributed via email**

Rebecca Adams-Selin	x	Justin McLay	x
Cyrena-Marie Arnold		Christopher McCray	x
Robert Banks	x	Shawn Milrad	x
Martin Baxter	x	Louisa Nance	x
James Belanger	x	Sam Ng	x
Alicia Bentley	x	Jonathan Porter	
Clark Evans	x	Joseph Slezak	Moving
Jason Furtado		Alex Tardy	
Gail Hartfield-Supina	x	Jennifer Tate	
		Nusrat Yussouf	x
		Jerry Wegiel	

**2. 29th WAF/25th NWP in Denver, June 4-8 2018**

- a. Updates from Chris McCray, our chairperson
  - i. Over 250 in attendance; 200 oral talks; 55 posters
  - ii. 8 different countries represented
- b. Student judges please submit scores through  
<https://goo.gl/forms/g4HiberR6SuSYgaN2>

**3. 99th/2019 AMS Annual Meeting**

- a. Special Symposium on Global- and Regional-Scale Models: Updates and Center Overviews:
  - i. Updates from Nusrat Yussouf and Robert Banks, our co-chairs

- ii. 12 invited talks, 1 travel grant for student
  - iii. Call for papers submitted to AMS
  - iv. Symposium will be on Wednesday
- b. Short course: Integrating NWP system components using container technology.  
Sat. Jan 5, 8:30-4:30

#### **4. Update from STAC Commissioner**

- a. Best practices for STAC committees document - good thing to review
- b. Named sessions - only need to be approved by commissioner
- c. Potentially partner with Tropical Conference as they have an abundance of abstracts: Prof. Wong at Univ. Illinois
- d. AMS Community: good way to send messages to groups
- e. Vice Chairs are important and a good backup for potential issues
- f. Conference Summary: send commissioner ½-page summary of sessions, notable happenings, innovative schedules, etc.
- g. WAF Statement: will expire in 2019. But perhaps we need to do away with expiration dates and just have committees note when they are out of date. Bruce will be communicating with the Council about this, so for now statement changes are on hold.
- h. AMS Chair (Jinny) - wants instead of plethora of conferences to have 6-8 themed conferences. Will discuss within Chair/Vice-Chair call at end of month

#### **5. Awards Process**

- a. Awards process complete and nominations submitted to STAC committee.
- b. Typically we invite our award winners to present at one of our conferences. Would we like them to present as part of our 2019 one-day Symposium?
  - i. Yes. Possibly we can have them present as part of a joint conference with our committee. Will explore that option

#### **6. Membership**

- a. Two members have terms that can renew: Marty Baxter, Shawn Milrad
  - i. They would like to renew
- b. Three members have terms that will be expiring: James Belanger, Sam Ng, and Jon Porter
  - i. Please email if this is incorrect
- c. One student member that can potentially renew: Chris McCray
- d. We will need to think about finding new members to start in 2019.
  - i. We'd like to have a balance between members working in the "Weather Analysis and Forecasting" fields, and those working in the "Numerical Weather Prediction" fields. Currently we are heavy on the NWP side.
  - ii. The AMS also strives to maintain a balance among academia, government, and private industry sectors. Currently we are heavy on the academia sector.

- iii. The AMS also likes us to maintain a student presence on the committee; currently Chris is our only student.

## **7. Glossary of Meteorology**

- a. "Rain bomb" term review due June 15

## **8. Web Updates**

- a. Input from webmaster.
  - i. Will update 29th WAF/25th NWP to past event and change related info.
    - 1. Any award information that can be posted?
  - ii. Will upload Meeting Minutes
  - iii. Any other input?

## **9. Social Media**

- a. **Facebook - posting schedule will continue in alphabetical order**
  - i. June - James Belanger
  - ii. July - Jason Furtado
  - iii. August - Clark Evans
- b. **To post to Facebook, you need Page Admin access. Please talk to Sam Ng to get access during your assigned posting month.**
  - i. **Facebook page point person needed!**
- c. **Twitter**
  - i. Opportunity for others to post to @AMS\_WAF - password from Sam Ng

## **10. Other**

- a. **Mailing list available for the committee: [ams-waf2018@uwm.edu](mailto:ams-waf2018@uwm.edu)**
  - i. If you'd prefer to have a different address on the list, let Clark know.

## **11. Next Calls(all times Central):**

- a. Monday July 30, 12:00 pm CDT