## American Meteorological Society (AMS) Scientific and Technological Activities Commission (STAC) December 2022 STAC Newsletter

<u>New Incoming STAC Commissioner:</u> We are happy to share that the AMS Council selected Clark Evans as the Incoming STAC Commissioner effective January 2023. Currently, Clark is the Chair of the Committee on Weather Analysis and Forecasting at AMS. He is a Professor of Atmospheric Science at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Welcome Clark!

**<u>2022 AMS Annual Meeting:</u>** The program for the Annual Meeting can be found <u>here</u>. Please make sure to read the Commitment to Care Statement.

**STAC Annual Meeting:** The STAC Committee and Board Chairs and Vice-Chairs meeting at AMS Annual will be held on Sunday January 8 from 11 am - 2 pm Mountain Standard Time (UTC-7) in Cripple Creek Ballroom, Salons 1&2, on the 2nd floor of the Embassy Suites. Lunch will be provided. A zoom will be available and circulated shortly and the meeting will be recorded for those who cannot attend. We ask that each B/C Chair and/or Vice-Chair, or their representative, be present for the meeting if you are at the annual meeting.

Those attending in person should fill out this <u>RSVP form</u> by December 9.

**Board and Committee Meetings:** Thanks all for your input at our discussion at the last chair's call with AMS Meetings Director Jen Ives. AMS has now made it such that they are able to support any board or committee that wants to meet either 1) virtually in the weeks after the annual meeting or 2) in-person with virtual option and catering provided during the annual meeting. For smaller specialty meetings, in-person committee meetings can be arranged on request. In all cases, if your board or committee wants to meet during a conference or virtually through AMS provided support, they must notify AMS in advance. The deadline this year for requests for annual meeting has passed and was Nov 15.

AMS Conference Reports: Similar to previous years, we ask that each B/C submit AMS Conference Report Reviews. Please review this before your meeting to see the questions. This form allows you to not only provide highlights of the meeting, but also give feedback to AMS. Please have the chair or another assigned member be responsible for submitting this form no later than one month after your meeting.

**2023 President-Elect and New Council Members:** Congratulations to Anjuli Bamzai, the AMS President-Elect for 2023. The newly selected AMS Council members are Rong Fu, DaNa Carlis, Michelle Mainelli, Rebecca DePodwin, and Erin Coughlan de Perez. You can read about each of them <a href="here.">here.</a>

**2024 AMS Meeting Theme:** Mark your calendars for the 2024 AMS Annual Meeting (28 January –1 February 2024) in Baltimore, MD. The theme will be "Living in a Changing Environment." We ask you to consider how your committee's own plans might incorporate this

theme, at least in a broad sense. The theme is not meant to be overly restrictive but has been crafted with the intent of being broadly relevant across our community. Please confirm your committee's participation (even if you usually meet at the Annual Meeting) by 2 January 2022 <a href="here">here</a>. Keep in mind that you are also welcome to plan on having joint sessions with any of the existing conferences and symposia as well instead of hosting your own sessions.

If you would like to participate in the 104th Annual Meeting, please invite your program chair(s) to attend the 103rd Annual Meeting Program Chair Thank You/104th Annual Meeting Program Chair Planning Meeting on Thursday, 12 January, 3:45-5pm MT in Mile High Ballroom 2C/3C. RSVP here by 15 December. There will be a zoom link available for virtual attendees.

If your committee is planning on having a specialty meeting at another time during 2023, please think about options of how the theme can be part of your conference so that we are able to carry the theme throughout the year. If you have questions - please feel free to reach out to AMS President Elect Brad Colman at <a href="mailto:brad.r.colman@gmail.com">brad.r.colman@gmail.com</a> or AMS Meetings Director Jen Ives at <a href="mailto:jives@ametsoc.org">jives@ametsoc.org</a>.

**STAC Membership Update:** By now Boards and Committees should have submitted their nominations for any new members or requests for membership renewals to their STAC Commissioner contact. Boards and Committees without one or more student members should be actively seeking student members. You will find the link to the STAC Membership Nomination Form at this here.

**Board and Committee Leadership:** If you are Chair of a STAC Board or Committee and will be rotating off in January 2023, you should have identified your successor or implemented your process for doing so. Often a logical successor is the Vice-Chair, which is one reason why we encourage every B/C to have a Vice-Chair as a way of training the next Chair. There is not a set method and you have flexibility in how your B/C goes through the process. Regardless of the approach you take, be thoughtful in developing a succession plan if you are stepping down as Chair.

**<u>Best Practices Document</u>**: The STAC <u>Best Practices document</u> was recently updated. Please check it out for useful information and guidance for your committee or board.

<u>Professional and Respectful Conduct at AMS Meetings:</u> Please take a moment to note the <u>AMS statement</u> regarding conduct at our meetings and events. AMS is committed to safe and productive meetings for all attendees. Harassment, intimidation, or discrimination of any kind will not be tolerated at any meeting or event associated with the meeting.

**Commissioner: Ankur Desai** 

Past Commissioner: <u>Genene Fisher</u> Incoming Commissioner: <u>Kristie Franz</u> New Incoming Commissioner: <u>Clark Evans</u>