

**American Meteorological Society (AMS)
Scientific and Technological Activities Commission (STAC)
October 2022 STAC Newsletter**

STAC Board and Committee (B/C) Chairs Conference Call: Our fall STAC B/C Chairs meeting will be held October 28 1pm CT/2pm ET. If a Chair or Vice Chair is unable to attend, please designate someone else from your B/C to join. Recording and slides will be shared on the AMS Community afterwards. Link to join:

<https://uwmadison.webex.com/uwmadison/j.php?MTID=meb0e3e55d68d3e755a0dddfbbf302d1>

AMS Elections: Voting for the 2023 AMS President-Elect and AMS Council is now open. The deadline to vote is November 9: [AMS Election Information](#)

2023 AMS Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Denver (January 8-12). You can view all the conferences and symposia set for that week [here](#). The program is posted [here](#). For additional tips and more information on planning for your health and safety at the 103rd Annual Meeting, [please click here](#). The meeting will be fully hybrid, where you can present and attend in-person, virtually, or a mix of both. For more information on your hybrid experience, please click [here](#). You can find some FAQs for the annual meeting [here](#). A recent Annual Meeting Ask me Anything thread where you can ask questions and see responses to prior questions is on the AMS Community [here](#).

Future Meetings: Please note that AMS specialty meetings and the annual meeting will continue to stay in hybrid (in-person with online options) format until the Future of Meetings task force recommendations are received and adopted by AMS Council.

STAC Annual Meeting: We are planning to have our STAC B/C Chair Meeting on Sunday, January 8, from 11 AM to 2 PM mountain time in person during the Annual meeting, with a virtual option provided. We request all Chairs and Vice Chairs plan to attend, or if you cannot, ensure that a member of your B/C is there to represent your concerns. Lunch will be provided. AMS Meetings will conduct a training session immediately preceding our meeting from 10 to 11 AM. The training is specifically designed for those who are (or would like to be) Conference/Symposium Program Chairs.

STAC Board and Committee Meetings: We will be discussing a new proposal for STAC Board and Committee Meetings at our chair's call on Friday Oct 28. Further information will be sent afterwards.

STAC Membership Update: Between now and Dec 1, it is time to recruit new members and review whether those members completing their initial 3-year term (2-year for student members) wish to be extended for a second term. As most members terms expire (or come up for renewal in January), this is the time of the year when you should ensure that there are successors for departing members, if needed. Also, for members who are completing their initial terms, we need notice if you wish them to have a second three-year term (two-years for student members). Each B/C must have at least one student member. Do not feel that there is a rigid limit to the number of members you can have. Rather, we encourage you to have as many quality members as you can effectively use and manage. You will find the link to the STAC Membership Nomination form [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 be in the process of identifying your successor. Often a good 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.

Best Practices Document: The STAC [Best Practices document](#) was recently updated. Please check it out for useful information and guidance for your committee or board.

AMS Volunteering: Volunteers are an essential and valuable part of AMS. With the help and support of boards and committees, local chapters, journal reviewers, and many more volunteers, AMS is able to promote the advancement of the atmospheric, oceanic, hydrologic, and related sciences to the weather, water, and climate community and beyond. Learn more about opportunities [here](#).

Commissioner: [Ankur Desai](#)

Past Commissioner: [Genene Fisher](#)

Incoming Commissioner: [Kristie Franz](#)