



## Central Iowa NWA

August 30th, 2016

Brookside Park

Ames, IA

## Minutes



### 1) Introductions

- a. Attendees introduced themselves, where they were employed or if they were a student, and how long they have been a member of the Central Iowa NWA.

### 2) Chapter Introduction/Importance of students

- a. President Flory reiterated the chapter goal and chapter mission.
- b. **Chapter goal: Improving the weather knowledge of the general public**
- c. **Chapter mission: Support and promote operational meteorology through research, forecasting, broadcasting, and education.**
- d. Flory emphasized that the chapter is not run exclusively by the NWS or Iowa State University. It is a collection of individuals from different aspects of meteorology interested in supporting the chapter mission and working toward its goal. Anyone with an interest in the weather from professionals to weather-enthusiasts should consider becoming a member.
- e. Dues in the past have been \$10. Flory did not expect this to change this year, but an official vote would take place at the next meeting.

### 3) Severe Storms and Doppler Radar Conference

- a. **21<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference: March 29<sup>th</sup> – March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 at the Courtyard by Marriot, Ankeny, IA**
- b. Flory mentioned that one of the main activities of the chapter is putting on the Severe Storms and Doppler radar conference. Last year was the 20<sup>th</sup> annual conference and, overall, it went very well. The chapter did make a small amount of money on the conference even though we went “big” with the number and stature of the speakers.
- c. We still do not know the final numbers on the conference due to a few late stipend payments and having to reschedule a speaker’s flight. The hope is to have a treasurer’s report in September.

### 4) Monthly chapter meeting ideas

- a. It would be nice to have presentations at the monthly meetings again this year. Bill Gallus presented last year on PECAN and Willard Sharp on the Lake City tornado. Possible talk possibilities mentioned were forecasting challenges for the year, the NWS talking about SAILS and MESO-SAILS, etc.
- b. If you have any other ideas or would like to present a talk at a monthly meeting, please let one of the chapter officers know and we will try and figure out which meeting would work best.

**5) National NWA meeting**

- a. Flory feels we should increase our presence at the national NWA meeting. Flory was not aware of anyone attending the meeting from the chapter. The chapter has been asked to present or provide materials for the local chapter's breakfast at the national meeting on what it takes to put on the Severe Storms and Doppler Radar Conference. Those in charge of the local chapter activities at the national meeting feel that it would be good for us to share our knowledge and experience with other local chapters.
- b. We have sent people to the conference in the past and with our current budget, we could afford to improve our national footprint. This might also be a good step in once again being recognized as National Chapter of the Year. We were recognized with this award in 2006 and is something we should set our sights on once again.

**6) Future meetings**

- a. **Mid-September: nomination meeting**
- b. **Mid-October: election meeting**

**7) Treasurers report**

- a. Treasurer Lee was not present at the meeting and a report was not submitted.

**8) Adjourn**

**9) Eat, socialize, be merry**

- a. The chapter provided pizza and pop for those in attendance.

**Note: Minutes recorded by President Flory. Secretary Curtis was not in attendance at meeting.**

**Attendance:**

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|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1) Dave Flory         | 15) Scott Feldman      | 29) Delany Richards  |
| 2) Chris Maiers       | 16) Kris Tuftedal      | 30) Garrett Starr    |
| 3) Jan Ryherd         | 17) Brady Newkirk      | 31) Henry Gronlund   |
| 4) Sean Spratley      | 18) Benjamin Kiel      | 32) Justin Covert    |
| 5) Mitchell Morehead  | 19) Joey Krastel       | 33) Elijah Kaufman   |
| 6) Cassie Happel      | 20) Kyle Knight        | 34) Emily Marrs      |
| 7) Kaitlyn Pretzel    | 21) Caleb Wood         | 35) Kerry Blodgett   |
| 8) Devon Johns        | 22) Antoinette Serrato | 36) Leyton Briol     |
| 9) Hannah Johnson     | 23) Bill Rickhoff      | 37) Jazmine Crilly   |
| 10) Jake Smith        | 24) Cameron Swalve     | 38) Lyndee Clark     |
| 11) Caitlin Cervac    | 25) Cameron Miller     | 39) Mike Fowle       |
| 12) Kelly Haberichter | 26) Theo Hartman       | 40) Lindsay Matthews |
| 13) Zane Satre        | 27) Nick Lesser        | 41) Kevin Skow       |
| 14) Chris Tracy       | 28) Maria Nelson       | 42) Bill Gallus      |