

November NWA Meeting minutes

- Old Business
 - Dues are \$10
 - Dues for new members are due NOW
 - First January meeting is when current members have to pay dues by
- New Business
 - At same place as last year
 - Teams are very large and have a lot of new members
 - Still need chairs for most of the teams
- Team Updates
 - Registration
 - Looking at registration system from last year to fix bugs
 - Might use old database
 - Students might need to do a practice run since the bugs affected mostly students
 - Agenda
 - Early in the process
 - Still looking through famous events and speakers
 - Going to try to get ideas from the SLS conference in Oregon
 - Louisiana floods, Indiana tornadoes, SPC? (in a mess right now)
 - Hail in TX
 - Dodge City tornadoes
 - WV flooding
 - Weather Channel people
 - Hurricane Matthew
 - Anniversary of Greensburg, Jarrell
 - June outbreak (25th anniversary)
 - Edmonton & Alberta tornadoes
 - Anniversary of Oak Lawn tornadoes
 - Travel
 - Reliant on Agenda team, so not a lot right now
 - Promotions
 - Go out on social media when big named speakers are announced
 - Follow, like, share, tweet, etc.
 - Send storm chasing pics to social media sites if you have any
 - Electronics
 - Wireless Network for Radar Workshop
 - Usually have 50-80 clients on our AP
 - Old system is dead, so will need to find a new approach
 - Willard is looking into wireless access points from different companies
 - Will bring it to a vote once a couple good ones are found
 - Approx \$150-\$200 a piece, want 2
 - Scholarship

- Want a budget for the scholarship(s)
 - Looking into splitting scholarships into Pam Daale for broadcast and another for operational/research interested students
 - Tim Samaras - \$200 for oral presentation, \$150 for poster
 - Rod wants to request \$3500 for total awards to get a budget passed
 - Motion by Rod for \$3500 budget
 - Seconded by Leyton Briol
 - Motion passes unanimously
 - Radar
 - Looking into different cases
 - WILL NOT mention the event when planned; will just say that a case is chosen
 - Want case to be primarily over land and good polarimetric data
 - Possibly a QLCS case
 - Meso-sails could pose a small issue due to the increased scans
 - Daryl will talk to Mike Gibson to see if there is a way around it
 - Hotel
 - Under contract for 2 more years w/Courtyard in Ankeny
 - Going to start planning the room block
 - Start to look into food/menu for banquet meal
- By Law Requirements for cabinet attendance
 - Want cabinet to have a presence at each meeting as cabinet attendance has been low in past years
 - Skype? Facetime? For cabinet who are busy/working at NWS?
 - Should we set a requirement for cabinet attendance?
 - 4 meetings (50%) is 1st idea
 - 2nd idea is to change by laws to “should” instead of ‘shall’ for attendance requirements so it is an expectation instead of requirement
 - What should the penalty be for not meeting expectations?
 - This doesn’t need to be decided now. Chris wants to have it ready for next year’s laws.
- Treasurers report
 - \$26,291.91
 - Jim Lee and Allan are looking into switching banks for better online banking
 - Bank of the West is also a smaller bank
 - Fees are a big problem
 - Current paid members – Chris will send out a list
 - Can pay Rod today to pay or use website to pay online
- Motion to adjourn – Leyton Briol, second – Ben Kiel

