

# ISU AMS

## Meeting Minutes

### February 24, 2015

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Meeting start – 7:00pm  
Total in attendance – 34

#### **President** – Kenzie Krocak

- Nominations are next meeting!
  - o If you're interested in a position, talk to the person in that position!
  
- NWA Conference
  - o Ankeny, IA – Mar. 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>
    - Registration open now!
    - Partial funding available from AMS
      - \$10 off for the first 40 people that register through AMS
        - o This is first come, first serve!
    - Money is due to Kenzie or Tayler by Mar. 6<sup>th</sup> if you want AMS funding.
    - How much does the conference cost with AMS funding?
      - If you came to **2 or more** NWA meetings
        - o \$38 in cash, or a check (made out to ISU AMS)
      - If you did **NOT** come to 2 or more NWA meetings
        - o \$70 in cash, or a check (made out to ISU AMS)
      - **INCLUDE** your name, member status, email, and paid amount

- But I don't like free money! How much does it cost to register without AMS funding?
      - \$48 if you've been to 2 or more NWA meetings.
      - \$80 if you haven't been to 2 or more NWA meetings.
- Event Partners
  - A few positions are still left!
    - [Treasurer](#)
    - [Social Chair](#)
    - [Academic Chair](#)
    - [Webmaster](#)
  - Assist a cabinet member with an event or duty that they're working on.
  - Shows cabinet that you're interested in a position.
  - Looks great for elections!
  - Tasks will be given by the cabinet member that you're working with.
    - Tasks will have deadlines that you'll need to meet.

### **Vice President – Katie Voitik**

- Spring T-shirt contest!
  - Designs due Friday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>
    - Need more designs!
      - If you have an idea without a design, send an email with your idea!
- Next Year's AMS Science Fair
  - Start planning early!
    - Interested in being on next year's science fair committee?
      - Email Katie!
- Calendars
  - They include spectacular photos taken by ISU AMS members!
  - Cost \$5 a piece now!
    - Only 4 left!
      - Ever. (No more AMS calendars after this)
  - You can see the photos on the calendar here: [Calendar Photos](#)
- Severe Weather Flyers
  - Meant for the public (to be handed out or given out at Hy-Vee.)
  - Any ideas for additions, changes, etc?
    - Email Katie!

### **Treasurer – Tayler Schillerberg**

- Current balance: \$3,062.63
- Pizza Sales

- Next day is Wednesday, Mar. 4<sup>th</sup>!
- Come buy some pizza!
- Insomnia Cookies Fundraiser
  - Still waiting on information on this.
- Orange Leaf Fundraiser
  - **Need an event partner!**
    - Email Tayler if you're interested!

### **Secretary – Kris Tuftedal**

- Midterms are coming up. Study for them by reading the minutes!
- Dropbox account
  - Open for submissions for pictures from all of AMS.
  - Segmented audio recording of the meetings is available so you can listen through a meeting like a podcast.
  - If you're late to the meeting and want to hear what went on before you were there, you can use these audio files to do so!
  - There are two different folders available in the dropbox, which you can access here:
    - [AMS Photos](#)
    - [Meeting Audio](#) (contains folders for each meeting!)
  - Any ideas for stuff to add to the Dropbox are welcome.
- Tornado Simulator
  - We're making a new tornado simulator!
    - Like the one in 3128, but way better.
  - The base is built and the viewing hole has been cut out of the PVC pipe.
  - Painting, installing the guts, and wiring remain.
    - Hopefully it will be done in mid-March for you all to ooh and ahh at.
- Storm Chasing List
  - If you're interested in chasing with people from AMS...
    - Send Kris an email with your name, your cell phone number, whether or not you have a car, whether or not you have storm chasing experience, and, if you do have chase experience, how many chases you've been on.
  - If you signed up at the meeting, expect a text message from me sometime within the next couple of days to confirm that I have the correct phone number for the correct person.

### **Social Chair – Elizabeth Lennartson**

- Euchre Tournament
  - Friday, Mar. 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Agronomy Commons
  - No need to know how to play because the tournament will start with a mini lesson.
  - Sign up with a partner (doesn't need to be someone from AMS) or as a "free agent."
  - Dave will be there and will be competing!
  - Email Elizabeth to sign up!
  
- Intramurals
  - Coed Volleyball
  - Coed Dodgeball
    - Email Elizabeth to sign up!
  
- Perfect Games Trip
  - Tuesday, Apr. 7<sup>th</sup> at about 9:00pm
  - Bowling and laser tag!!!
  
- Banquet
  - Need an event partner!
    - Interested? Email Elizabeth!
  
- Any other social suggestions? Email Elizabeth!

### **Outreach Chair – Lauren Walker**

- Fellows Science Night
  - Thursday, Mar. 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm to 8:00pm
  - Arts, crafts, and science!
  
- Meeker Science Night
  - Thursday, Mar. 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm to 8:00pm
  - Arts, crafts, and science!
  - Not planning on going to NWA conference?
    - Volunteer for this one!
  
- Northwood Pre-School
  - Monday, Mar. 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Two shifts
    - 9:30am to 10:30am
    - 2:30pm to 3:30pm
  
- Email Lauren to sign up for any of those outreach events!
  
- Science Olympiad Coaching
  - Coaching middle schoolers in meteorology for the Science Olympiad.

- Goes until April, every Thursday.
- Interested in helping out by writing quizzes, making powerpoints, or coaching?
  - Email Lauren!
- Preparedness Day
  - Group event with two other AMS chapters.
  - April 11<sup>th</sup>.
  - Still in planning stages.
    - Email Lauren to sign up!
- Weather Photos Poster
  - Replacing AMS calendars
  - Submit your weather photos with a caption for consideration on the poster.
  - Poster will have the photos voted on, as well as the name of who took what photo.
  - Poster will be displayed somewhere where a lot of people see it.

### **Academic Chair – Sydney McBride**

- Severe Weather Awareness week posters
  - **Need an event partner!**
  - Kids from around the state make severe weather awareness posters and we vote on them.
  - Poster winners from last year can be found [here](#).
- Scholarships!
  - Many of the NWA scholarships open in February, and are available [here](#).
  - National AMS scholarships are available [here](#).
  - Pam Daale Scholarship
    - The application is due Wednesday, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>.
    - For more information, go [here](#).

### **Forecasting – Jaret Lansford**

- Iowa State Daily forecasting
  - Current Spring Standings:
    - 4<sup>th</sup> place is Team Tayler
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> place is Team Katie
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> place is Team Elizabeth
    - 1<sup>st</sup> place is Team Patrick
- Remember to forecast!

#### **WxChallenge**

- Current team standing is 47<sup>th</sup> place out of 52 teams.
- Need to improve this! We should be MUCH higher than this.
- Missed forecasts are a big problem that are easily avoided.

- Set your preliminary forecasts for the week on Sunday night, then update them before 00:00Z (6:00pm CST)
  - Clocks go forward on Sunday, Mar. 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:00am, so 00:00Z will be 7:00pm CDT after that.
- We WILL be forecasting during spring break so do whatever you have to, to remember to forecast!
- Mobile Home Project
  - Sixth meeting just prior to AMS meeting.
    - Only had two people show up.
  - Need more people to help out!
  - Meetings will now be every two weeks
    - Next meeting date possibly Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - More research topics have been added, so more help is needed!
  - Our goal is to present this information to Senator Quirnbach by the end of this school year.
    - At our current pace, this won't happen.
  - Interested in helping out?
    - Show up at the meetings
    - Bring people from other majors
    - Do research on your own for our topics of interest
    - Email Jaret or Kris!

### Webmaster – Matt Miksch

- Please fill out the class schedule form [here](#).
  - Get this done as soon as possible!
- Have any questions for alumni from the ISU meteorology program?
  - Email them to Matt!
  - **Need an event partner!**
- The [website](#)
  - The [Event Calendar](#)
- AMS website's [scholarships page](#).
  - As well as the REU (Research Experiences for Undergraduates) [page](#).
  - Also a [list](#) of all of the people from ISU that have gotten those scholarships.
- The [Forums](#)
  - You **NEED** to use your first and last name for your username (E.g. “John Smith”), as well as your @iastate.edu email to sign up for a forum account, or you won't be accepted.
- Like us on [Facebook](#)!
  - Facebook cover photo will now be the picture of the month!

- And follow us on [Twitter!](#)

### **Historian – Antoinette Serrato**

- Alumni Question of the Month
  - o You can read the full answers to this month's question [here!](#)
- Picture of the Month is...



- Meteorology Selfie Submissions
  - o Send a selfie of yourself doing something meteorology related!
  - o Submissions close Mar. 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - o Email your submissions to Antoinette!
- Send any event photos, or other cool photos!

### **NWA Representative – Sydney McBride**

- Next NWA Meeting is Wednesday, Mar. 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm
  - o Scheman Building; Brunnier Art Museum
- NWA Conference
  - o March 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> as mentioned previously.
  - o There is a student poster contest and student presentations contest.
    - For more info, go [here](#).
- Any feedback for NWA?
  - o Email Sydney and she'll bring it to Dave's attention.

### **Past President – Kevin Smalley**

- If you ever need advice, I'm always available by email at ([smalleyk1123@gmail.com](mailto:smalleyk1123@gmail.com)).

## **Cy's Eyes on the Skies – Zach Mlcoch and Brandon Libby**

- Nex show is Wednesday night (tonight)!
- NWA Conference “Tape Swap”
  - o Friday, Mar. 27<sup>th</sup>
  - o Advice and critique from professional broadcasters
- Need to make a “tape” for the “Tape Swap?”
  - o Come make one Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  - o Invaluable information for anyone considering broadcast meteorology.
    - Learn how to format your résumé tape!
- Want to be a Cy's Eyes producer?
  - o Elections will be in about a month and a half or so.
  - o If you want to be elected, come to as many shows as possible!
- Want to sign up? Use the [Forums](#)!
  - o But I don't know how to use the forums...
    - Ask [Matt](#) (email at the bottom)
- Like the Cy's Eyes [Facebook page](#),
  - o Follow the [Twitter page](#),
  - o Watch videos on the [YouTube channel](#),
  - o And watch LIVE via the [live stream](#)
    - Monday and Wednesday nights at 7:00pm

## **Sophomore Chair – Nick Lesser**

- Student Faculty Dinner
  - o Tuesday, Mar 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:00pm
  - o At Mongolian Grill
- Forecasting 101 Seminar
  - o Monday, Mar 9<sup>th</sup>
  - o Keep an eye out for an email with further info!
- Assassins
  - o Going really well
  - o About half of the people have been “killed” so far.
- Fantasy Hockey
  - o If you're in it, remember to participate!
    - There's a cash prize for being champion.

Meeting end – 07:31pm



Next meeting:  
**Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm!**

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