

DASSO Meeting minutes-Monday, August 27, 2007

Introduction:

2007 DASSO Officers:

- President—Wendi Kaufeld
- Treasurer—Amanda Wisdom
- Secretary—Faye Barthold

Student Chapter of the AMS:

DASSO is undergoing major changes as we try to become a Student Chapter of the American Meteorological Society. The goal is to set up the student chapter this year so that it is up and running for the first full class of undergrads next year. We have submitted a petition to the AMS to become a student chapter, and we have applied to the university to become a registered student organization. The transition into an AMS student chapter is still a work in progress, and many of the details still need to be worked out. If you have any questions about what this change will mean, contact any of the officers.

Dues:

Dues are \$17 for students and will be collected by Amanda in September. The \$17 total is broken down into \$15 for department dues (funds seminar cookies, picnics, coffee, etc.) and \$2 for Student AMS Chapter.

Upcoming Events:

Our annual fall picnic is planned for Sunday, October 14 at Kickapoo State Park. Other potential activities include getting a group together to attend the AMS annual meeting in January and arranging tours of various places of interest both on campus and around the area (ex: NCSA, NWS Lincoln). Additionally, we would also like to try to increase community outreach by getting involved in activities such as Science Olympiad, local science fair judging, etc. When prospective students come to visit we will be asking for volunteers to take them to lunch and answer any questions they may have. People also expressed an interest in having more regular meetings as we transition into an AMS chapter.

Logo and t-shirt contest:

As we work to become a student chapter, we would like to have a logo to use on chapter-related items. We would also like to find a new t-shirt design so that we can create and sell some apparel (this can potentially become a fundraiser). Submit designs to Wendi (kaufeld2@atmos.uiuc.edu) by **5pm October 15, 2007**.

Logo and T-shirt contest rules:

- anyone can submit an entry, even if they are not a member of the organization
- there are no entry limits
- the preferred entry formats are vector art created in Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, but hand drawn submissions will also be accepted
- designs are limited to 4 colors
- voting will be limited to active members only during the week of October 15-22

-final results will be posted after 5pm on October 22nd

Committees:

Social Committee (in charge of happy hours and pay day dinners)

- Jason Keeler
- Michelle Benny
- Sara Strey
- Amanda Wisdom

Constitution Committee (rewrite our constitution so that it can be used for an AMS student chapter)

- Michelle Benny
- Jason Keeler
- Sara Strey
- Faye Barthold
- Wendi Kaufeld

Community Outreach Committee (organize community outreach activities)

- Allie Jones
- Hilary Minor
- Amanda Wisdom
- Faye Barthold

Website Committee (create and maintain the DASSO website)

- Eric Schneider
- Rahul Barman
- Nicole Schiffer
- Wendi Kaufeld

Forecast Contest Committee (organize the snow pool, other forecasting contests)

- Isaac Hankes
- Kenny Bae

Sports/Recreation Committee (organize sporting events)

- Mike Wilson
- Isaac Hankes
- Andy VanLoocke
- Joe Clark

Fundraising Committee (organize fundraisers)

- Michelle Benny
- Andy VanLoocke

Conference Committee (organize trips to conferences)

- Sara Strey
- Michelle Benny
- Jason Keeler
- Wendi Kaufeld
- Amanda Wisdom
- Faye Barthold