2008 UCAR AAP MEETING

7:30 – 11:30 am
Tuesday, 14 OCT 2008
AAP Members Present

- College of Charleston
  Laney Mills
- San Jose State University
  Alison Bridger
- St. Cloud State University
  Tony Hanson
- US Naval Academy
  David Smith and Andrew Muller
- South Dakota School of Mines
  John Helsdon
- Jackson State University
  Quinton Williams
- San Francisco State University
  Oswaldo Garcia
- Creighton University
  Joseph Zehnder
- University of Texas at Arlington
  Arne Winguth
- University of North Dakota
  Mark Askleson (for Michael Poellet)
- Denver Metro State College
  Richard Wagner
- Central Michigan University
  Richard Mower
- Universidad Metropolitana
  Juan F. Arratia
- Plymouth State University
  Eric Hoffman
- Lyndon State College
  Bruce Berryman
- Florida Institute of Technology
  Steve Lazarus
- SUNY at Brockport
  Jose Maliekal
- University of Kansas
  David Braaten
- Millersville University
  Rich Clark – Meeting Chair

19 of 21 AAPs
Welcome New Affiliates

• Creighton University - Joseph Zehnder)
• University of Texas at Arlington - Arne Winguth)

Brings total number of Affiliates to 21

• Recognize Laney Mills, University of Charleston, SC for his years of involvement and meaningful participation in the AAP.
UCAR/NSF in Attendance

• UCAR/NCAR:
  – Rick Anthes, UCAR President
  – Jack fellows, Vice President UCAR, Director UOP
  – Eric Barron, Director of NCAR
  – Maura Hagan, Deputy Director of NCAR
  – Terry Murray, NCAR Library
  – Roger Wakimoto, EOL Director
  – Tim Spangler, COMET
  – Raj Pandya and Kathy Strand, SOARS/Listening Conf

• NSF:
  – Sarah Ruth, Program manager
AAP Meeting Highlights: Intro remarks

- Welcomed new AAP members
- Remarks by: UCAR President, Rick Anthes; NCAR Director, Eric Barron; Jack Fellows, VP UCAR and UOP Director; Maura Hagan, NCAR Deputy Director; Roger Wakimoto, EOL Director; Sarah Ruth, NSF.

Highlights emerging from these remarks:

- Time for UCAR newsletter article on the AAP
- For the first time there is a rep from an AAP institution nominated to the UCAR BOT as an at-large member
- AAP members are important in the ongoing discourse on accreditation of geosciences programs
- Commitment to maintaining relationship b/w ASP and AAP
- Newly formed NCAR Diversity Committee (Roger) – report at new meeting
- New cooperative agreement b/w NSF and NCAR and implications of continuing resolution.
Diversity Issues- Access Points
Quinton Williams, Jackson State University (AAP rep)
(Presentation and discussion at the Thursday morning H&C session)

Institutional Digital Repository
Terry Murray, NCAR Library

The NCAR Publishing landscape altered dramatically in past 12 months; more support for open access

Repositories preserve the intellectual assets of the organization and make their contents freely available through open access.

The NCAR library is working on the Institutional Repository where there will be OPEN ACCESS to all NCAR scientists’ publications. MIRAGE is working to preserve websites. Library has a new web site that includes the Warren Washington Digital Archive that will presented to the community at AMS in January.
Listening Conferences
Raj Pandya and Kathy Strand
UCAR SOARS and Outreach

It isn’t just who we hire…
It’s the..
The science we do
Where we do it
Relationships we have
How we communicate

…that can successfully engage underrepresented communities

“Cold is what makes my language, my culture, my identity. What am I going to do without cold?”

Oscar Kawagley, Yupiak Elder
Professor, Univ. of Alaska, Fairbanks
Toward a more inclusive atmospheric science…

• UCAR becomes a participant in a research and/or education agenda that addresses larger issues important to under-represented communities with a weather and climate piece

• UCAR helps develop a diverse workforce, including future weather and climate-researchers
First Step: Listening Conferences

• Partner with community leaders
• Focus on specific communities
  – Tribal Colleges (James Rattling-Leaf, Sinte Gleska)
  – Community Colleges (Oswaldo Garcia, San Francisco State)
  – Hispanic Serving Institutions (Aaron Velasco, UTEP, President of SACNAS)
  – Historically Black Colleges and Universities (Quinton Williams, Jackson State)
Listening Conferences

- Focus on academic community and leverage connections to industry, business, and government agencies
- Leverage NSF investment in NCAR as a resource to universities and colleges
Guiding Question:

- What are the top priorities for your institutions and the communities you serve?
- How do these priorities relate to climate and weather?
- How can UCAR/NCAR/UOP support these priorities?
AMS Guidelines

• Next review of guidelines is scheduled for 2009 with implementation in 2010
• AAP had lengthy discussion on current guidelines
• Plans a proactive approach to informing revisions to the guidelines
• AAP (Tony Hansen BHE <> AAP) will lead a community wide effort to gather recommendations on guideline revisions and pass these along to the BHE
AAPs discussed the issue of accreditation of programs.

- Accountability is here to stay
- Better to be proactive rather than waiting for another organization to impose requirements for accreditation
- No one expressed an interest in a model for accreditation similar to ABET or ACS
- Accreditation threaded its way through several topics of the day, and will receive considerable attention on Thursday at the H&C’s meeting

End of 2008 report – Thank you