

Annual Meeting of the AMS Board on Women and Minorities (BWM)
Monday, January 15, 2007
5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Conference room 1 & 2 – Marriott Rivercenter Hotel

AGENDA

- WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – Shirley Murillo (Chair)
- COMMENTS FROM SPECIAL INVITED GUESTS - Keith Seitter (Executive Director, AMS), Julie Winkler (Commissioner, Education & Human Resources-AMS)
- Around the table introductions and brief remarks
- Outgoing & Incoming members of the BWM – Shirley Murillo
- Invited Speakers:
 1. Ken Carey – 2008 Annual Meeting Plans and Private Sector Mentor’s Program
 2. Emily Miller – AMS Online Ocean & Weather Studies Diversity Project
- Brief review of the *Minutes of the 2006 BWM Meeting* – Shirley Murillo
- BWM Activities
 1. Co-membership with National Society of Black Physicists
 2. Spanish-Speaking Meteorologists Database
 3. MS PHD mentoring program
 4. AMS Demographic Survey – Status of papers from groups
 5. AMS-Industry Minority Scholarship Program – reports from mentors/student recipients
 6. Charles Anderson Award - Nominations, Selection Committee
 7. Battan Award – adult & K-12 - Nominations, Selection Committees, call for volunteers
 8. Teaching Excellence Award – Nominations
- Activities from other boards: BHE (Elen Cutrim) and B.O.P.E. (Paul Rusher)
- New Business
 1. 2008 AMS Annual Meeting planning committee – updates on MLK Jr. Holiday BWM involvement
 2. Other ideas or projects
- Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 PM

Special Events & Meeting of Interest to BWM Members/Past Members/Adjuncts and Volunteers

1. BOPE: Sunday, January 14, 2007, 7:30-10:30 PM, Conference room 5, Marriott Rivercenter Hotel
2. Education and Human Resources Commission Luncheon: Monday, January 15, 2007, 12 noon-2 PM, Conference room 3 & 4, Marriott Rivercenter Hotel
3. BWM: Monday, January 15, 2007, 5-8 PM, Conference room 1 & 2, Marriott Rivercenter Hotel
4. BHE: Wednesday, January 17, 2007, 7-10 AM, Conference room 4, Marriott Rivercenter Hotel
5. Women in the Atmospheric Sciences Luncheon: Tuesday, January 16, 2007, 12 noon-1:30 PM, 217B, HB Convention Center, colleagues

Please check with the AMS registration or information desk for information concerning the location of the events scheduled at the Convention Center.

About the awards our committee is involved with:

- **Louis J. Battan Author's awards:** This award is spear headed by BOPE. We can identify and submit independent published book reviews to be considered for these awards. Independent means the review is not from the book's publisher or the author. We should also encourage others to submit nominations. All official nomination packages must be received by the 1 May deadline.
- **Charles Anderson Award:** The award is given to an individual in recognition of outstanding contributions to the promotion of diversity in the atmosphere and related sciences and broader communities through education and community service. Selection packages remain on the active list for consideration for 3 years
- **Teaching Excellence Award:** This award is given annually to an individual in recognition of sustained outstanding teaching and mentoring at the undergraduate and /or graduate levels. The AMS Board for Higher Education (BHE), in consultation with the Commissioner for Education and Human Resources, is responsible for overseeing the award process and formulating the selection committee. (Collegiate) nominees should be sent to Pat Pauley, Chair of the teaching Excellence Committee at pauley@nrlmry.navy.mil.
- **AMS/Industry Minority Undergraduate Scholarships:** Every year students are selected for scholarships as they enter their first year of college. The BWM members, alumni and ad hoc committees assist in mentoring the scholarship winners.
- **NEW! Distinguished Science Journalism Award:** This award recognizes outstanding science reporting and writing of scientific discoveries, principles, advances, and impacts in all media outlets including radio, television, newspaper, magazine and Internet. It is open to all journalists and science writers in any medium for published reports intended for and available to the general public. The award is given to the author for a single article or radio/television report or a series that makes atmospheric and related sciences material accessible and interesting to the general public.