

FPAW Steering Committee (SC) Inaugural Meeting

National Weather Center, Norman, OK October 25, 2022

FPAW SC – Motivation



FPAW is...

Unique and important!
 "FPAW is a national treasure, I am not aware of any other
 functionally based group of professionals as diverse as what
 FPAW has established with interested and active members
 participating."

But...

Results? Impact? Actions?

Why the "Buts?"



- All "volunteer"
 - We all have day jobs
- No funding
- Diverse, wide-ranging constituency
 - Aviation weather users, providers, researchers and academicians, and regulators
 - Nearly impossible to gain 100% consensus

Options



- Federal Advisory Committee (FAC)
- Funding
- Steering Committee

After several years of conversation, we decided that Option #3 was the best path forward for FPAW.

And, so, after considering 37 nominees...

The Inaugural FPAW SC



Users	Providers	RED and Academia	Regulators	FPAW Leadership
Rex Alexander VFS through 09/2025	David Bieger NWS ATCSCC through 09/2024	Jim Evans MIT/LL through 09/2023	Marilyn Pearson CAE through 09/2024	Matt Fronzak MITRE
Eric Avila NATCA through 09/2023	Matt Strahan NWS AWC through 09/2023	Ian Johnson FAA through 09/2024	John Steventon FAA through 09/2025	Matthias Steiner NCAR
Nathan Polderman United Airlines through 09/2024	Elizabeth Wilson Climavision through 09/2025	Heather Reeves CIWRO/NSSL through 09/2024		
Judy Reif Gulfstream through 09/2023		Joel Siegel BAH through 09/2025		

Why Me? (Or, What Were the Selection Criteria?)



- FPAW has a diverse constituency; the FPAW SC should be every bit as diverse (age, gender, race, career stage, organization, and others)
- Most FPAW SC members could easily represent multiple constituencies
- Most FPAW SC members have been active FPAW participants, either as session leads, presenters or panelists
- Most FPAW SC members are viewed as aviation weather leaders

OK, So What's Next?



- That's up to you
- We see the FPAW SC being involved in the following:
 - Ensure that FPAW stays connected to its constituents
 - Help FPAW leadership plan and execute the twice-yearly FPAW meetings
 - Create and deliver FPAW position papers
 - Assist in the development of FPAW organizational guidelines

And how do you propose we stay in sync and get things done?



- For reference, the FPAW Co-Chairs meet bi-weekly to keep properly engaged
- Should the FPAW SC also meeting bi-weekly?
 - Nah
- How about monthly?
 - We think this might be right, at least initially; we'd probably use one of our bi-weekly Co-Chair meetings each month
- And once the FPAW SC is settled in?
 - We think at least quarterly, using one of our bi-weekly Co-Chair meetings each period