

Minutes of International Commission on Polar Meteorology Biannual General Meeting.

International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics,

Melbourne, Australia, Wednesday 29 June 2011,

Noon- 1:30 pm, Room 205, Melbourne Convention Centre.

Present: John Turner, Ian Simmonds, Taohiko Hirasawa, Hiroyuki Enomoto , David Reusch, Igor Mokhov, Christophe Genthon, Hubert Gallée, Irina Gorodetskaya, Petteri Uotila, Neil Adams, Tom Lachlan-Cope (secretary – and new president)

- 1) Apologies : Siobhan O'Farrell, Shelly Knuth, Gunther Heinemann, Alexander Baklanov, David Bromwich, Matthew Lazzara, and Tom Bracegirdle.
- 2) Report of activities since last meeting:

Report by Tom Lachlan-Cope (Secretary also summarising for Dave Bromwich)

The main activity since the last meeting in Montreal was a very successful Cloud Workshop held in Columbus Ohio associated with the 5th Antarctic Meteorological Observation, Modelling and Forecasting Workshop. The cloud workshop has led to a paper being published in Reviews of Geophysics. The success of this workshop leads to the hope that can repeat its success at the 7th AMOMFW meeting in Boulder Colorado next year when we hope to hold a workshop on parameterisation of Polar Physics with atmospheric models. It is also hoped that this workshop can consider results from polar component of COordinated Regional climate Downscaling Experiment (CORDEX).

- 3) Participation of ICPM in IPCC AR5.

There was a brief discussion on how ICPM could become more involved with the IPCC AR5 process. The possibility of hold a polar AR5 workshop in Cambridge was discussed. This would be held towards the end of this year or the beginning of next.

It was suggested that members of the commission should identify suitable papers for IPCC editors.

- 4) Coordination of meeting with IPY, Polar Office of NSF and European COST actions – etc

This was suggested by Alexander Baklanov and it was agreed that he should be contacted to see what he had in mind – although it was thought that more coordinated meetings would be a good idea. Igor Mokhov reported on meeting on Polar Climate organised in Moscow in May of this year that could a model for further collaboration.

- 5) Symposiums for IAMAS meeting in DAVOS in 2013.

Several suggestions were made but it was decided to propose the following two symposiums:

Cloud aerosols and precipitation at high latitudes – to be convened by Alexander Baklanov and Dave Bromwich (neither were at the meeting but they will be asked).

High latitude climate change and links with the cryosphere – to be convened by David Reusch and John Cassano

- 6) Elections

For president there was only one nomination Tom Lachlan-Cope and so he was elected by acclamation. For secretary Mathew Lazzara and Shelley Knuth were both nominated and it was clear to the meeting that either candidate would do an excellent job. However the feeling of the meeting was that Mathew was more likely to get funding to attend Davos and so he was elected by 7 votes to nil.

Five ordinary members were elected by acclaim.

7) Statutes

It had been noted that there were no statutes for the commission – or at least none that could be found. It was decided to for a subcommittee chaired by John Turner and having as members Tom Lachlan-Cope and Mathew Lazzara to draft some new statutes for the commission that can be voted on at the next meeting in Davos.

8) AOB

The commission does not have a logo at the moment and as the IAMAS executive would like us to have one Irena Gorodetskaya volunteered to commission one from a student she knew.