WMA Elected Officers

The Nominations Committee, comprised of Bruce Boe (chair), Maury Roos (past-chair), Todd Flanagan, Shaun Parkinson, and Daniel Gilbert, have reviewed all WMA elected positions regarding position responsibilities. This review, completed in January 2018, by consensus here offers the following:

ANNUALLY-ELECTED POSITIONS

- President
- President-Elect
- Secretary
- Executive Secretary-Treasurer (often the same person is re-elected)

PRESIDENT

- serves for one year
- chairs board meetings, annual business meetings, and any special meetings that may be necessary
- handles public and media inquiries, redirecting them to WMA committees or WMA members, as seen fit
- represents the Association in interactions with other organizations (e.g. Western Snow Conference, ASCE, etc.)
- directs staff (usually the EXECUTIVE SECRETARY-TREASURER) regarding WMA business

PRESIDENT-ELECT

- serves for one year
- chairs WMA meetings if the PRESIDENT is unable to attend/participate
- organizes annual meeting technical program
- becomes PRESIDENT when the term as PRESIDENT-ELECT expires

SECRETARY

- serves for one year
- takes notes at all WMA board meetings and the annual meeting, if present
- becomes PRESIDENT-ELECT when the term as SECRETARY expires

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY-TREASURER

- serves for one year (may be re-elected repeatedly, no limitation on term of service exists)
• does accounting for the association, including accounts payable and accounts receivable
• organizes annual meeting logistics (hotel, meeting room rates, etc.)
• redirects inquiries made of the association
• serves as administrative assistant to the PRESIDENT

[NOTE: Two committee members noted that the Executive Secretary is elected (usually re-elected) annually, and raised the possibility of lengthening this term. Their thinking is that this would “reduce the effort to set up accounts for a new treasurer”. Doing such would require modification of the by-laws. The chair feels that since our Executive Secretaries/Treasurers typically serve for extended periods, re-election is not problematic, and re-set up of accounts is seldom necessary. Nonetheless, these thoughts are passed along for presidential consideration.]

ON ROTATING BASIS, EACH FOR THREE YEARS (so one of them each year):
• University Trustee
• Private-Sector Trustee
• Government Trustee

UNIVERSITY TRUSTEE
• serves for three years
• at board and annual meetings, reports weather modification research activities occurring in academia, of which the trustee is aware
• promotes weather modification science/research within academia

PRIVATE-SECTOR TRUSTEE
• serves for three years
• at board and annual meetings, reports activities and developments of interest and/or concern in the private sector, of which the trustee is aware

GOVERNMENT-SECTOR TRUSTEE
• serves for three years
• at board and annual meetings, reports on governmental developments related to weather modification legislation and funding, regulation, and related activities conducted by governmental entities, of which the trustee is aware