

Meeting minutes from December 2nd, 2004

NWA Central Iowa Chapter

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2005 Severe Storms Conference Update

Agenda-Not much has changed on this topic. The team is working with Brenda about travel. We are also waiting to see how much we've spent so we can see if we can invite any more speakers. It is still up in the air if we will be receiving money from NWS.

Electronics-We are getting a projector from the Des Moines NWS office. WE haven't heard yet from Willard about the purchase of a projector. If we would like, the hotel charges \$300 for internet access. A vote was passed to change vendor fee from \$250 to \$200.

Promotions-As of right now, umbrellas will be bought from ePromotions.com, the cheapest price would be about \$8 per umbrella for 250 umbrellas.

Postcards will also be sent out in late December, or about a week before registration opens.

Registration-This will begin at the beginning of January. 25 rooms have been blocked for regular attendees and 20 rooms have been blocked for governmental attendees. We have looked into suites for featured speakers but our contact has changed, so we're not sure where this will go. If we need more rooms, there are adjacent hotels where other attendees can stay.

March 10th is the registration deadline.

Travel-We may not have to pay for travel for Pam's family because there may not be anyone coming. More information will come later.

Scholarship Update

The scholarship is finalized. Pam's husband cannot come, but he has extended the invitation to Pam's parents, but we have not heard from them as of yet. The word about the scholarship is spreading. There have been no applicants as of yet. We have also recruited judges from different universities to make sure that the judging is fair.

Polo Shirts

There is one XL polo shirt left. We will be ordering more later. Email Janet (thatsme@iastate.edu) or Elise (elisevj@iastate.edu) if you are interested. Make sure to include the size that you want in the email.

Future Meetings

January Meeting: Thursday, January 20th at National Weather Service (starting at 6pm)

February Meeting: We are looking into Legends (Ames). Look for an email later.

March Meeting: Usually we have this meeting at the conference, but we would have to order food through the hotel in order to get a free conference room. We'll talk more about this later.

Membership Dues are due at January meeting!!! (unless you've paid dues at the October meeting. See Elise if you have any questions.)

If you have any speaker ideas or activities that we could do, email Ashley.