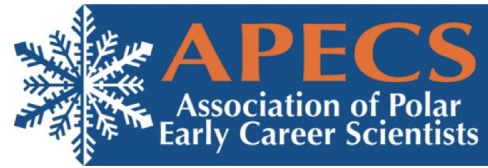


APECS Council Meeting
January 30, 2017
17:00 GMT



Attendees: 2 * APECS Info, Lorna Thurston, Alice Bradley, Dr. Swati Nagar, Jean Holloway, Laura Hobbs, Liz Ceperley, Meagan Dewar, Merran, Olivia Lee, Runa Skarbo, Tamara Fletcher, Vikram, Vincent Schulze, Henrik Christiansen, Jennifer Cooper, Jilda, Bernabe Moreno, Douwe Maat, Friederike Gehrmann, Sara Strey, Marta, Alex Thornton, Josefine Lenz

Apologies: Gerlis Fugmann, Scott Zolkos, Adam Campbell, Jose Queiros, Gabriela Roldan, Adrian Dahood, Claudia Maturana

Agenda

- Welcome
- APECS 10th Anniversary
- Project Group Updates
- Council Reporting
- Term 2017 Calendar
- NC Update

Meeting opened by Lorna Thurston (Chair)

Welcome

Introduce ExCom members on call, National Committee (NC) Coordinators (Sara Strey and Jilda Caccavo), and Council Chairs (Gabriela Roldan and Lorna Thurston).

APECS 10th Anniversary

- Alice Bradley gives overview
- Put out request for ideas on last call. Got a couple ideas, including people interested in making a video. Great idea, but since the 10th anniversary is 1 year and a video would be a lot of work maybe not just about the 10th anniversary but about APECS as a whole.
- Also a series of articles about 10 things - 10 researchers you don't know, etc. We need people to help out, if you have ideas you want to see implemented we need people to help. Start a new project group potentially, or existing project groups can take on aspects of this.
- We will start a project group for the video. There are other opportunities to contribute if people want to get involved, not necessarily make a new project group.
- If you have ideas or want to get involved contact Alice or the excom email address excom@apecs.is or llt74@nau.edu
- Stephanie is also in the APECS video group, Josefine is the excom contact

Project Group Progress Updates:

Webinars Group - Notes from Scott Zolkos (unable to attend the meeting):

- Nov and Dec 2016- held two telecons to discuss potential webinars during this year
- Webinar themes discussed and leaders determined for webinars for January-April 2017; remaining webinars TBD in the next telecon (early Feb 2017, TBD- yet to touch base with webinars group members)

Antarctica Day update:

- Still looking for reports from NCs about Antarctica day

Alpine Cryosphere (Merran):

- Group has been meeting once a month and discussing how to strengthen APECS resources on website about alpine cryosphere. Webinar in April-May about mountain regions. What would a page look like on the web and what info they would want to have on there

APECS Report 2008-2016 update (Tamara):

- Things are coming along, the full report won't be ready in time for deadline, but a summary report is being prepared that will be sent in. Full version will be done in March.

APECS workshop Arctic Science Summit Week (Alex):

- Currently trying to find people to fill in workshops, if anyone is going to ASSW and knows people that would be interested to present or be on a panel let us know. Polar career opportunities, international science organization, groups working with indigenous communities. Email alexander.e.thornton@gmail.com or fill out this google doc https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lv-ya9gEiMKyXbu9YD5qHjxGbD3DKrzuwjBasovv_oXY/edit

APECS workshop at Int Arctic Social Sciences (Marta) - trouble with sound.

APECS workshop at SCAR Biology symposium (Henrik):

- Symposium is from July 10-14, workshop will be on Sunday from 9-4, then icebreaker in the evening. Had first meeting, fixed general idea for the workshop. Have a place and date. Contacted speakers, confirmed one. Looking into funding from SCAR groups. Probably can find money to provide lunch. Want to finalize a first program soon. Theme of the workshop will be "Communicating with a non-scientific audience". If anyone has contacts get in touch with the group. Workshop @SCAR Biology Symposium: for any ideas, suggestions, or help please get in touch: apecsbelgium@gmail.com or henrik.christiansen@kuleuven.be

APECS social event at EGU - project on hold for now

Education and outreach strategies (Douwe):

- Will be having first meeting this week and will get the project going.

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IASC Fellowships Review:

- Reviewed applications in November, was reviewed within a week or two, and everyone made suggestions for 3 top candidates within each group for fellowships. IASC decides finally if they want to accept APECS suggestions, and they did this time.

Online Conference:

- March 20th at the start of polar week. Abstract close tomorrow Jan 31, so submit if you are interested. 30 abstracts and climbing. Can view it online.

Madrid Protocol celebrations - no-one from group on the call

Mentorship awards (Jennifer):

- Decided on awards and drafted announcements. Didn't have access to application form, but just got that and are working on it. Announce a call for nominations for awards in the next week or so.

Non-academic careers group (Friederike):

- Page on APECS website where they can collect information. Spreadsheet for ideas for info they want to put on website. Example: webinars in the archives that are about non-academic careers. Watch them and write down useful information, write down if webinars were helpful or not. Also thinking of interview questions for people who have non-academic careers and put that on the page. Career day that may happen next term.

Polar match (Alex):

- Still scheduling a first meeting. Hoping to talk in the next week or two. Polar Match is to set a curriculum for teachers so they have info to teach their students. If you are a researcher or teacher we will pair them up. If you are interested in getting involved e-mail Alex alexander.e.thornton@gmail.com

Social media (Jean and Marta):

- Had 2 meetings, delegated a day of each week to 1 group member to post on facebook and twitter. If people want anything about events or webinars etc advertising events e-mail the social media group social-media@apecs.is

Summary of Polar Organizations:

- Had first meeting, kicked off some ideas. There is a quick summary on the website for what polar organizations APECS works with. Started a spreadsheet to gather more info

on polar organizations. At some point they will try and get that info onto the website in a way that's easy to convey.

Webinars group (Hanne):

- Had a few meetings before Christmas. Group is well on the way. If you can provide tech support for the 20th of March we need help! We just need someone from APECS to run the system so that the host can focus on managing the session (open the software, get it running, sit back and enjoy the talks). If you are interested in training for tech support there will be a training day.

World Summit 2018 Planning Committee (Jennifer Cooper):

- Meeting last week, filled out a schedule for topics and break-out sessions. Working on drafting a 1-page summary and circulate that out.

Polar Week (Jean):

- Had first meeting and delegated tasks. Made a schedule for events during Polar Week. *Monday, 20 March* APECS Online Conference; *Tuesday, 21 March* Traditional Knowledge; *Wednesday, 22 March* Artists Day (or Alpine Cryo); *Thursday, 23 March* Alpine Cryosphere (or Artists); *Friday, 24 March* SciComm (kids through PEI); *Saturday, 25 March* Reddit AMA in /r/Science; *Sunday, 26 March* Photo Contest & highlights from the week. Photo contest, blog posts, and Twitter all week. Meeting again next week to finalize dates and will send out notifications about the events. We need NCs to register events, we sent out a form but will re-send it. If are interested in participating in our twitter campaign #PolarPeople (sharing stories about your experience in the polar regions, or for people to ask questions via twitter) during Polar Week please sign up here
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1v_g59Lm9AS74naFbGDuiZB5_CfkwwH_EtwQ_Ktwh2bl/edit#gid=0

Council Reporting

- Reminder - Council Reports are due 31st of January.
- Fill out your report, link is in the e-mail that was sent out about meeting.
- Really important to see what everyone on the council is contributing.

Term 2017 Calendar

- TJ from ExCom prepared a spreadsheet to have a clear idea on the timing of the upcoming events and deadlines. If you are the leader of a project group, please populate this spreadsheet as soon as possible with the information from your group: [here](#).
- Fill in information about dates on the Calendar/spreadsheet, this will keep us up to date on what's happening when. We don't want to miss events.

NC Update

- Announcement - NCs will be receiving (if they have not already) Doodle Polls to fill out to schedule their 1-on-1 meetings with one of the NC coordinators (Sara or Jilda). All NCs should have at least one 1-on-1 meeting with one of the NC coordinators before June.
- Update with regards to National Committees (Sara). NCs need to send in updates/reports about Antarctica Day events, please send your paragraph and photos.
- Douwe from the Netherlands NC rep, will post a short report on APECS Netherlands about Tromso conference.
- For next call it would be good to have more updates from NCs.

Meeting Close

Floor open for final questions and comments prior to meeting close.