A History of the Friends and Partners of Aviation Weather Meetings

An Evolution

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Welcome

- 14\textsuperscript{th} Friends and Partners of Aviation Weather (FPAW)
- 7\textsuperscript{th} Vision => Summer meeting of FPAW held in DC in July
- 80 different organizations have been represented by over by 400 individuals
- Thanks to Steve Brown, Bob Lamond and the NBAA for their continued sponsorship of the FPAW meetings!
Background of FPAW

Why was FPAW formed?
- Perception by airlines, academia and some government people that aviation weather was being given short shrift at NWS and FAA.

Purpose
- Bring together government, academia and industry to build a strategy for aviation weather.
- Provide a safe and neutral venue where concerns can be openly expressed.

First Friends of Aviation Weather at NBAA in September 1997

Founders
- Dave Rodenhuis, Paul Smith, Bruce Carmichael and Carl Knable

Bruce C. when FPAW began?

Bruce C. in 2010
Attendee list from 1997 Friends of Aviation Weather

Bruce Carmichael – NCAR
Tom Carney – Purdue
Mike Edwards – ARINC
Dale Foster – Southwest Airlines
Rick Heuwinkel – FAA
Carl Knable – United Airlines
Dave Ladwig – USAF
Ken Leonard – FAA
Bob Massey – ALPA
John McCarthy – NCAR
Bill Phaneuf – ALPA
Rich Pryzwarty – NWS

Warren Qualley – American Airlines
Dave Rodenhuis – AWC
Wayne Sand – Aviation Weather Consultant
Bill Sears – ATA
Lynn Sherretz – ESRL
Jaiwon Shin – NASA
Rich Wagoner – NCAR
Dave Whately – FAA
Skip Wright - OFCM
Evolution of FPAW

- Airlines vs. FAA and NWS at first few meetings
- Increase in attendance by commercial weather information providers, industry trade groups and government contractors
- Realization that we needed to invite people who actually dealt with the impacts of weather, not just meteorologists.
  - Increasing number of controllers, dispatchers, commercial and GA pilots, flight attendants, and others started to attend
Further Evolution of FPAW

- So why were FPAW Vision meetings started?
  - Operational make-up of the FPAW attendance dictated that focus be on near-term issues (to be resolved in 1-2 years!)
  - NextGen initiative began; slightly longer focus...
- First Vision meeting in September 2005 at FAA Headquarters
- Agenda for first Vision meeting contained these terms:
  - Sound familiar?!
And More Evolution of FPAW

- Appeared to be a disconnect between operational (world of here and now) and NextGen (looking toward NextGen FOC of 2025)
- **CDM** now involved; many attended the CDM/JPDO meeting here this morning and heard linkages
- **FPAW** meetings now address the common goals of everyone trying to work toward the NextGen world.
MEMORIES OF FPAWs PAST
Make this FPAW Successful and there will be more of them!

Or Bruce will have to find something else to do with his time!