



**Collaborative Adaptive Sensing of the Atmosphere (CASA WX)
Executive Council Meeting Minutes
NCTCOG Regional Forum Conference Room / Teams
May 10, 2023 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM**

Call to Order and Opening remarks (9:30 AM)
Quorum was met

William Wessel, CASA WX Vice Chair

Item 1: Vote on December meeting minutes  (9:31 AM)
Members

CASA WX

- Sean Hughes made a motion to approve December meeting minutes; Tonya Hunter second; motion passed 9:32. No opposed.

Item 2: Vote on updated Council roster  (9:32 AM)

CASA WX Members

- Sean Hughes made a motion to add Michaela Sandefer from Ellis County and Robert Medford from City of Fort Worth to the roster and remove Town of Willow Park; Tonya Hunter second; motion passed 9:33. No opposed.

Item 3: Vote on Fort Worth Radar repair cost  (9:33 AM)

CASA WX Members

- Sean Hughes made a motion to approve spending 35K out of the 50K in the reserve budget to repair the Fort Worth radar pedestal that has been broken since October 22, 2022; Edgardo Barreto second; motion passed 9:38. No opposed.

Item 4: Radar website update (9:38 AM)

Eric Lyons, Tx Sense DFW/CASA

- Edgardo Barreto with DFW airport has been evaluating the CASA website and gave suggestions to Eric Lyons on ways to improve the functionality.
- Eric gave a demonstration on the ability to now have single or multi panel pages so the user can view 2 different radars or 2 different views of a single radar.
- Eric is still working on adding the ability to customize maps to have the layers and warning polygons show as clear or opaque so the underlying roads can be seen.
- Brenda will integrate this into future training.

Item 5: Radar network updates (9:56 AM)

Brenda Philips, CASA

- Denton - is in reserve mode and will only be turned on if severe weather is possible.
- Fort Worth - is in repair shop and is anticipated to be completed and functional by the fall.
- Addison – radar is down and will need to be replaced.
- UTA – radar is down and will need to be replaced.
- All other radars are functioning.
- Brenda spoke about the National Science Foundation surveys that are being sent out to the community about flooding.

Item 6: Funding Subcommittee update (10:18 AM)

William Wessel, CASA WX Vice Chair

- The funding subcommittee has had some very productive conversations with different congress representatives in the region to find additional funding opportunities to expand the current network and replace some of the older nonfunctioning radars.
- Tonya mentioned that Congressman Jake Ellzey in Ellis County is on the science committee and would be a great asset to speak with.

- A brochure is being developed for emergency managers to distribute to private sector partners in their jurisdictions.
- If you have any suggestions or would like to be a part of the funding subcommittee, contact Amanda Everly.

Next Steps/Priorities (10:29 AM)

CASA WX Members

Adjournment (10:30 AM)

- Sean Hughes made a motion to adjourn the meeting ; Edgardo Barreto second; motion passed 10:30. No opposed.

Resources: CASA WX Website: www.nctcog.org/CASAWX

**Next CASA WX Executive Council Meeting:
August 9, 2023
9:30 AM- 11:30 AM**