



**WSWS Officer and Committee Report
July 2023**

Office or Committee Name: President Elect – Program Chair

Officer or Chairperson Name: Tim Prather

Date of Preparation (include year): 7/10/2023

Activities during the year: I met with Nevin Lawrence and Marcelo Moretti to discuss how to work with the program this year. We will create a short document providing guidance to section chairs. Included in the guidance will be coordination to avoid concurrent discussion sessions, potential grouping of sections with respect to organizing student presentations to provide time to move across rooms, and grouping of similar talks. We also discussed trying one plenary session for this year on a topic of interest to the membership.

I will contact WAPMS program chair to determine if we will have a joint meeting and go over logistics.

Nevin Lawrence sent out a call for symposia.

Recommendations for Board Action:

1. Idea for plenary topic: one could be role of WSWS for state and federal agencies.
2. Suggestions for local symposium interest.
3. Ideas for General Session Speakers.
4. Should we shorten the poster session by 30 minutes?

Budget Needs:

Symposia budgets should we receive proposals may require funds. As of 7/7/2023, Nevin had not received any submissions.

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