

Chemical Engineering Division of ASEE

General Business Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, June 24, 2008 (Session 2413)

12:30 – 2:00 p.m. (Pittsburgh, PA, David L. Lawrence Convention Center, 403)

Attendees: Fred Justice, Bruce Finlayson, Jim Henry, Joe Shaeiwitz, Margot Vigeant, Katherine Taconi, Brian Lefebvre, Kevin Dahm, Polly Piergiovanni, Christy Patton Luks, Tom McWilliams, Robert Parker, Joe McCarthy, Allen Hersel, Sundar Madihally, David Harding, Nancy Lape, Deran Hanesian, Susan Montgomery, Michael Gross, Jeff Csernica, Taryn Bayles, David Silverstein, Adrienne Minerick, Valerie Young, Don Visco, Richard Gilbert, Lale Yurttas, Jason Keith, Anton Pintar, Claire Komives, David Miller, Sharon Sauer, James Patrick Abulencia, Scott McClellan, Bill Krantz, Richard Zollars, Angelo J. Perna.

Convened at 12:24

1. Valerie Young welcomed the attendees. Attendees introduced themselves. A moment of silence was held to recognize friends and colleagues who have passed away in the previous year.
2. The minutes from the June 26, 2007 meeting were approved unanimously.
3. David Silverstein reported that 47 ballots were cast in the recent election. Randy Lewis was elected Chair-elect for 2008-2009. Adrienne Minerick was elected Director for the 2008-2010 term.
4. Silverstein presented a balance sheet and income statement for the division accounts. The BASS account was restored to a level of \$20,889.69 as a result of awards sponsorships from 2007 being paid (Dow) and a new 2008 sponsor for the Lectureship, Chemstations. The operating account is at a zero balance. Fred Justice pointed out the risk from ASEE holding our funds using recent AIChE problems as an example.
5. Kevin Dahm report on the 2008 award winners. The selection committees note a low number of nominees, though the nominations received were of high quality. Nomination of candidates is a service to this division. Jason Keith will serve as Awards co-chair along with Valerie Young.
6. Jason Keith, 2008 program chair, reported there were 48 presentations and 9 posters, a slight decline since last year.

Sundar Madihally, 2009 program chair, reminded attendees that the publish-to-present requirement takes effect in 2009. There will be a reduction in available sessions from 41 to 47 per day. Workshop proposals are requested. Christine Schmidt, UT Austin, will be the local arrangements chair. Young has two volunteers for 2010 program chair. Jim Watters has volunteered to be local arrangements chair for that meeting.

Several members discussed the PTP requirement. Sharon Sauer mentioned concern over PTP

requirement when papers are not indexed externally and not valued by institutions. Silverstein pointed out papers can be republished.

7. Joe Shaeiwitz reported that the 2012 Summer School planning team is Kim Ogden, Greg Ogden, Jennifer Curtis, Randy Lewis, and himself. The meeting will be in the Northeast to balance recent summer schools in the west. There is currently a significant financial surplus. Low attendance in 2002 is a concern to be addressed.
8. David Miller, membership chair, reports that we are losing more members than we are gaining. Current 570, about 20 lapsed, down from 609 in 2006. Methods for improving membership were discussed. Angelo Perna discussed the recurrence of membership issues in division history. Visco discussed linking efforts with sections and asked for volunteers.
9. Young, on behalf of Adrienne Minerick, proposed having a volunteer write a review of this ASEE meeting to feature in a third annual edition of the newsletter.
10. Silverstein reported on the current state of the website and emphasized the need for participants in this conference to contribute their presentation slides to the division Forum.
11. Young reported than Eric Maase (via email) discussed an AIChE student video contest and proposed sponsoring an education topic. No response from the membership due to confusion over what was being requested.
12. Silverstein distributed flyers promoting Topical Conference on Education at AIChE 2008 Centennial Annual Meeting and encouraged attendance.
13. Silverstein distributed a proposal to form an Education Division of AIChE. Concern that such a division would reduce the viability of the ASEE ChED was voiced. Silverstein noted that none of the proposed roles of the AIChE division overlap with the current role of the ASEE division.
14. Angie Perna announced need for participants in summers schools to attend session at AIChE topical
15. Young passed the Golden Pipe Wrench to incoming Chair Don Visco. Visco presented an appreciation plaque to Young for service as chair. Visco presented an appreciation plaque to Jason Keith for his efforts in programming the 2008 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1:59.