President Charles Brinkman opened the meeting for the general membership at 1:30 p.m. by calling for a reading of the minutes from the previous meeting on April 12, 1985.

READING OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON APRIL 12, 1985

Minutes from the previous meeting on April 12, 1985 were read by the Electrical Engineering Department Senior Secretary, Ed Hart, assisting Robert L. Hanna, Academy Secretary/Treasurer. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes as read, with the following correction:

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS: Mr. Boulson and Mr. Ellis (not Mr. Carr) were elected to serve a three-year term on the Board of Directors.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

A copy of the attached report for March 1985 - March 1986 Income and Expenditures for the Academy was presented to all members present at the meeting. In addition, President Brinkman requested that Ed Hart read the report to the general membership. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the financial report.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

There were no directions from the Nominating Committee. President Brinkman called for nominations from the floor. Carl Finley and William Busch were nominated. No other nominations were received. A motion was made, seconded and passed to elect Mr. Carl Finley and Mr. William Busch to serve on the Board of Directors for a three-year term. Those members with two years left to serve are Charles Boulson and William Ellis. Those members with one year left to serve are Robert L. Mayse and Gabriel Skitek.

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES OF SEARCH COMMITTEE FOR EE DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN

President Brinkman reported that he had the privilege to actively participate as a member of the Electrical Engineering Department Chairman Search Committee on behalf of the Academy during the past several months. The selection process is nearly three-fourths complete.

OLD BUSINESS

For the first item of old business, President Brinkman read a copy of the attached letter (dated April 20, 1985) that was mailed to C. James Grimm on behalf of the Academy. The letter was sent to Professor Grimm in answer to a motion made in last year's Academy meeting. (Prof. Grimm remains a patient at the nursing home in Springfield, MO.)

For the second item of old business, President Brinkman requested and received reports from the following special committees:
Membership Committee. Carl Finley, substituting for Chairman James Stephens, reported on the selection process for the current Academy inductees. Nine candidates were considered for membership; all were elected. One candidate did not respond, one declined the invitation, and one was dropped because his 1965 degree was in Physics rather than EE. (He will be eligible in 1987 with a MSE in 1967.) One nominee could not attend the induction ceremony. The five remaining candidates were recommended for induction.

Legislative and Administrative Committee. Mr. Wolfram, Chairman, delivered a report on the activities of his committee during the past year. Principal activities included monitoring the progress of various educational bills before Congress, insuring that a member of the Academy was included in the Search Committee for the Electrical Engineering Department Chairman and lobbying support of the EPRI (Union Electric) proposal in conjunction with the University of MO-Columbia.

Curriculum Committee. Mr. Vannoy, Chairman, reported that he had contacted Dr. Morgan and Dr. Stigall during the past year regarding ways the Academy could assist the Electrical Engineering Department's curriculum from an employer's point of view. These talks led to a program described in a letter to Mr. Vannoy from Gene Smith. In his letter, Mr. Smith discussed the need to increase student interest in public affairs, particularly those involving technical issues. Mr. Smith suggested that a project conducted by the American Society for Engineering Education entitled "Washington Internships for Students of Engineering" (WISE) might be of benefit to the Electrical Engineering Department. He proposed that the Academy sponsor qualified students/faculty who might wish to attend the ten-week summer academic program in Washington, D.C. Funding would be a problem (approximately $4400 per student). Mr. Smith pledged $2500 per year for a trial period of three years in an effort to initiate the program. He proposed that the balance of funding be derived from Academy revenues or be jointly funded by combining sponsorship with some other UMR organization.

The general membership discussed Mr. Smith's proposal. Two problems emerged in the discussion: The difficulty of selecting attendees to the program and the difficulty of funding these attendees. Upon being asked for his opinion, Dr. Paul Stigall, Interim Chairman of the Electrical Engineering Department, stated that the program represented a good opportunity and that he supported it. After further discussion, the membership concluded that Academy funds could better be spent for students on campus. The current low balance of funds prohibits the large expenditure required to sponsor even one participant in the WISE program. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to not use limited Academy funds for WISE. Special thanks were extended to Mr. Smith and the Curriculum Committee for their imaginative idea.

The general membership recommended that the Curriculum Committee try to find alternate funding (other than Academy funds) to support the WISE sponsorship for the coming year.

Research Committee. Mr. Sinkewiz, Chairman, was absent from the meeting. No substitute was available to deliver a report.

The third item of old business was a call by President Brinkman for a report from G. Skitek on the progress of the Academy Memory Book. Mr. Skitek was not present at the meeting and no report was given. The membership expressed
Continued interest in the project and the report was postponed until the next meeting.

The final item of old business was a report by President Brinkman on the cost of making the Academy emblem into a lapel pin. The first one hundred pins purchased would cost approximately ten dollars each; subsequent orders (in lots of one hundred pins) would cost between five and six dollars each. A discussion by the general membership ensued. The lack of sufficient Academy funds to support the project, coupled with the need to use existing funds for operating projects, led to a motion to table the idea for lapel pins. The motion was seconded and passed.

NEW BUSINESS

The membership discussed the need to list deceased Academy members as "Distinguished Past Members."

The membership discussed the idea of sending condolences to the bereaved family of deceased Academy members. The Electrical Engineering Department office was requested to notify the Academy president when news is received of the death of any Academy member so that timely action can be taken.

SECOND SESSION

The membership reconvened after the Board of Directors meeting. After receiving information on action taken by the Board, the meeting was then adjourned.

Signed by: C. E. Boulson
Secretary