The annual meeting of the Academy of Electrical Engineering (AEE) was held on Friday, April 18, 1997, at 9:00 a.m., in the Missouri Room of UMR's University Center East. The meeting was chaired by AEE President William Hord.

Dr. E. K. Stanek, Chairman E.E., spoke to the Academy "Impact of the Electrical Engineering Building Addition and Renovation Project on the Programs in the Department of Electrical Engineering", he also covered the following:

a) 5 year program  
b) Progress toward mission and goals  
c) Update on research, grants and contracts  
d) BS Computer Engineering Degree

Dr. Paul Stigall, Assistant Chairman, gave an update on the E.E. department graduate program.

Robert Allyn, AEE scholarship recipient, spoke to (AEE) members, he expressed his appreciation and discussed how the scholarship program has benefited him.

An update on the Scholarship Program was presented by Kurt Kosbar, EE faculty, he reported $2125 in scholarships were awarded for Fall and Winter Semester '96.

The morning session was adjourned at 12:00, lunch was served in the Carver Room.

The afternoon session convened at 1:00 p.m., Don Willyard recognized the '97 inductees who were present; Maj. Gen. Richard Paul, Ronald Willoughby, George McPherson, Jr., and J.B. Peterson. Don recognized the nominating committee for their 2 year effort on the nominating committee.

Paul Hirtz, president of the UMR Solar Car Team, gave a presentation and update on the Sunrayce '97 activities.
Connie Eggert, Director of Development, updated the AEE members on the AEE Conference Room fund raising effort. There is a shortfall of $14,700.

**Combined Board of Directors and Business Meeting.**

**Motion:** That the ‘96 AEE minutes be approved with one revision to correct spelling of Gabriel Skitek’s name.

*Motion was seconded and approved by all*

Bill Hord saluted academy members for the generous gift giving in support of both the EE Conference Room and the scholarship fund. He ask members for advice in reference to fund raising. Discussion followed concerning the pursuit of funds for the AEE Conference Room.

**Motion:** To write letters to those who have not contributed.

*Motion was seconded and approved by all*

**Motion:** E.E. Faculty should pay for their banquet meals.

*Motion was carried not unanimous, by 3.*

Mike Apprill, secretary/treasure, presented the 1997/98 Budget.

**Motion:** To accept ‘97/ ‘98 Budget as presented.

*Motion was seconded and approved by all*

**Motion:** To reduce the scholarship fund to $5000 and create a contingency fund of $2500.

*Motion was seconded and approved by all*

- Elect new board members (3-year term).
- George Tomazi to replace Jim Eckhoff
- Tom Van Doren to replace Wayne Littleton

Feedback to the EE department from the AEE members. Academy members made suggestions and recommendations on the EE Department’s plans, programs, curriculum, recruitment, problems, etc.

Members toured the Electrical Engineering Building Addition led by E.E. chairman, E.K. Stanek.

**Motion:** To adjourn at 4:30.

*Motion was seconded and approved by all*

Minutes approved by ____________________________

Michael Apprill

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* AEE Scholarship Recipient
* Development Director
* E.E. Faculty Emeritus
* AEE Secretary
* ‘97 Inductee
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* E.E. Dept. Chair
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