

ACADEMY OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
Minutes of Annual Business Meeting
April 16, 1993

The annual meeting of the Academy of Electrical Engineering was held on Friday, April 16, 1993 in Room G-11B of the Electrical Engineering Building, UMR. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Ralph Wolfram. The following members were present:

Phil Browning
Lloyd Brunkhorst
James Eckhoff
Howard Fillmer
William Hord
Vernon Lawson

Wayne Littleton
Kent Martin
Ed Midden
Joe Rittenhouse
Larry Rushing
David Sizemore

Jack Stewart
Paul Stigall
Bob Strain
Roger Volk
Don Willyard
R. Wolfram

Dr. Gajda introduced Dr. Nancy Hubing, assistant professor, who discussed her program and goals at length, with a question and answer period following. Also speaking were Dr. Steve Watkins, Dr. Lavent Acar, both assistant professors in the E.E. Department. Scholarship awardee Thomas Roegge also spoke briefly.

The group broke at 10:15 and left to visit the solar car project at the Basic Engineering Building

Afternoon session convened at 1:15 p.m. Mr. Wolfram introduced Dr. Gajda who presented his annual report to the group.

Dr. Gajda discussed the major strategic goals for the department: 1) To be seen as having the best undergraduate program; 2) To strengthen a young graduate program; 3) to focus on quality management. He further discussed the cost reduction efforts on campus and the impact on the E.E. department with a 12% loss of faculty, and the efforts to compensate while maintaining quality.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion : To dispense with reading of minutes and accept as written.

Motion seconded and approved by all.

MEMBERSHIP:

Based on a suggestion at last meeting, President Wolfram opened the discussion of establishing a "retired status" for inactive members in order to increase membership over the 100 limit stated in the By-Laws.

This raised a question as to the purpose of the Academy. Considerable discussion ensued, and a consensus was reached that the purpose of the organization is primarily to honor the professional and technical accomplishments of the members and, secondarily, to provide support and guidance to the department.

Since it is not possible to legislate the quality of accomplishment by year, it was agreed that an arbitrary limit on the number of annual inductees is not reasonable.

Motion : To request a vote of the membership for a change in the By-Laws (Sec. I-A-3) to eliminate the arbitrary membership limit of 100.

Motion seconded and approved by all.

Motion : To request a vote of the membership to further change the By Laws to eliminate the present limit of 10 inductees each year.

Motion seconded and approved by all.

Roger Volk, Chairman of the Membership Committee, presented copies of guidelines developed by him and his committee for evaluating nominees. These include information needed initially on each candidate, a timetable for accomplishing the tasks necessary in acquiring new members, and a committee evaluation sheet. Copies are attached.

Mr. Volk advised that two members of the Board have agreed to serve a second term:

Lloyd Brunkhorst and Larry Rushing

NEW BUSINESS

Nominations for new officers for 1994/96 are:

Jack Stewart, President

Wm. Hord, Vice President

Jim Eckhoff, Sec'y/Treas.

Motion : That nominations be closed.

Motion seconded and approved by all.

Motion : That the slate be accepted by acclamation.

Motion seconded and approved by all.

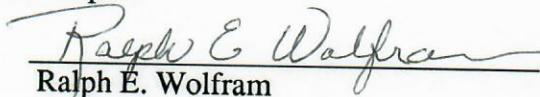
Wm. Hord, Sec'y/Treas., presented the budget for 1993/94, the statement of Income and Expenditures and a 5-year budget history. Copies are attached to these minutes.

Motion : That the budget be accepted.

Motion seconded and approved by all.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Minutes approved:


Ralph E. Wolfram

, President