

ASEE Academy of Fellows  
Minutes of the June 18, 2014 Meeting

The ASEE Academy of Fellows met for its 2014 meeting from 8:45 until 10:00 AM on Wednesday, June 18, 2014 in White River A Ballroom of the J W Marriott Hotel in Indianapolis, Indiana. A most delicious breakfast was enjoyed by those present for the meeting. Names, affiliations, and contact information for those present is attached to these minutes.

1. Meeting Call to Order

At 9:10, Academy Chair Mary Anderson-Rowland called the meeting to order.

2. Moment of Silence

Those present observed a moment of silence in honor of all ASEE Fellows who had passed since the last meeting.

3. Remarks: ASEE Executive Director – Dr. Norman Fortenberry

Dr. Fortenberry thanked the Fellows for their contributions to ASEE and again asked the Academy of Fellows for additional service. Last year, he asked that the Fellows group to suggest ways to make ASEE stronger and better and hadn't heard much from us. He stressed that ASEE needs our aggregate experience and wants us to take a leadership position in society activities. He invited us, as the Academy of Fellows, to identify perhaps three top issues. One suggestion he had was for us to suggest ways to increase ASEE philanthropy.

4. Introduction of ASEE Officers in Attendance:

Walter Buchanan - ASEE Past President, Kenneth Galloway – ASEE President, Nick Altero – ASEE President-Elect, and Joe Rencis, ASEE President-Elect-Elect were recognized.

5. Introduction of Academy of Fellows Officers:

Mary Anderson-Rowland – Chair, Wallace Fowler – Secretary, Vice-Chair, and Chair-Elect, and Frank Gourley – Newsletter Editor were introduced. Dr. Carl Locke – Past Chair was not present. It was announced that Lucy Morse would be taking over as the Newsletter Editor from Frank Gourley.

6. New Fellows Introductions:

There were twelve new ASEE Fellows in 2014. The increase in the number of female members of the Academy of Fellows was highlighted. It was noted that eight of the twelve new Fellows are female. Only six of the new Fellows were present at the Fellows breakfast. The new Fellows present at the breakfast were:

Laura Bottomley, Rebecca Brent, Christine Cunningham, Patricia Hall, Kim Needy & Jeffrey L. Ray

The new fellows not in attendance at the breakfast were:

Jason M. Keith, Hamid R. Rarsaei, Mary A. Sadowski, Ann Saterbak, Noel N. Schulz & John J. Uhran, Jr.

An action item was given to the incoming Chair to request that ASEE Headquarters include information about the Fellows Breakfast in the letter to new Fellows next year.

7. Not-so-new Fellows Introductions:

All Fellows present are listed, along with contact information, at the end of these minutes.

8. Greetings from Absent Fellows:

Lyle Feisel, Frank Burris, and Angie Perna regretted that they were unable to attend and sent their greetings.

9. Introduction of ASEE Staff Present at the Breakfast:

No ASEE staff members were present at the breakfast.

10. Remarks: ASEE President Kenneth Galloway

Ken reported that the ASEE Board of Directors and Staff are doing a great job. He suggested that the society needs to step back and examine its focus – that we should closely examine our Vision, Mission, and Structure to be sure that we are doing what we should be doing. He reported that membership is flat – not increasing or decreasing.

11. Remarks: Incoming President -- Nick Altiero

Nick noted that the job of ASEE President is a three-year commitment. It involves one year as President Elect, one year as President, and one year as Past President. ASEE, in reality, has a presidential “team” working in its behalf. Ken, Nick, and Joe are our three-person team for next year.

Nick reported that he had attended a meeting of 50 engineering organizations. He noted that ASEE was the only organization at the meeting that had “education” in its name. He asked us to consider what value ASEE brings to the table at such meetings. He wants us to look at ASEE’s articulation. What are our vision and mission? What are our values and activities?

12. Old Business

The ASEE Academy of Fellows has bylaws. These were part of a package of Academy artifacts that George Burnett provided to Frank Gourley. A copy of our bylaws is attached to this set of meeting minutes. The Academy Chair, Mary Anderson-Rowland, noted that the bylaws

contained no specific section devoted to how the bylaws could be changed, and that this needed to be remedied. However, a close reading of the bylaws suggests that the bylaws can be changed through Article 5 (See below).

**ARTICLE 5. VOTING.** A vote on any matter at an Academy meeting will be decided by a simple majority of the Fellows present and voting, except that any vote on a proposed recommendation to the Board of Directors of ASEE will require approval by two-thirds of members present.

A copy of the Academy bylaws is attached to these minutes.

It was also noted that the bylaws provide for only two officers, the Chair and the Chair-Elect/Secretary, but that in reality, there needs to be a third office, that of Newsletter Editor. Proposals for changes in the bylaws will be presented at the next meeting of the Academy.

The question of where / how to preserve the Academy artifacts arose. The ASEE Executive Director has offered to preserve them at ASEE Headquarters. A committee made up of Frank Gourley, Lucy Morse, and Wallace Fowler was appointed to consider the issue.

#### 13. New Business:

The election of new leadership for the Academy of Fellows was the first order of new business. Chair Mary Anderson-Rowland presented the slate of nominees to those present. The nominees were:

Past Chair – Mary Anderson-Rowland  
Chair – Wallace Fowler  
Secretary / Chair-Elect – Tom Roberts

It was moved by John White that nominations cease and that the slate be elected. Ed Jones seconded the motion. The slate was elected by unanimous vote.

#### 14. Announcement of Photos:

Frank Gourley took individual photos of each Fellow present in order to have an archive of photos for the newsletter. This was done during breakfast. Frank asked that new fellows and awardees stay after the meeting adjourned to have additional photos taken.

#### 15. Comments by the Chair:

The Chair presented a humorous item focusing on two books: *Women Don't Ask* by Linda Babcock and *Who Moved My Cheese* by Spencer Johnson .

#### 16. Passing of the Bill Wilhelm Hammer:

The outgoing Chair, Mary Anderson-Rowland, then turned the meeting over to incoming Chair, Wallace Fowler. She presented him with the Bill Wilhelm Hammer, the symbolic gavel of the ASEE Academy of Fellows.

17. Remarks by the Incoming Chair:

Wallace Fowler reminded those present that we were challenged by our ASEE Executive Director, Norm Fortenberry and our incoming ASEE President, Nick Altiero, to take a more active leadership role in ASEE activities. The ASEE's leadership team (Nick, Ken, and Joe) welcome our suggestions and our active participation. Suggestions were solicited to be sent to the ASEE leadership team and/or the Academy of Fellows officers.

18. The meeting adjourned at 9:55

19. Suggested Academy of Fellows Activities by Fellows Present after the Breakfast:

a. Ray Genalo ([genalo@iastate.edu](mailto:genalo@iastate.edu)) suggested:

"ASEE should undertake an education mission – educating the general population and in particular, politicians, about engineering. "

b. Ken Galloway (ASEE Immediate Past President)( [ken.galloway@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:ken.galloway@vanderbilt.edu)) suggested:

At the "Fellows Breakfast" at ASEE in Indy, ED Norman Fortenberry called on the assembled fellows to explore ways in which they might use their experience and their leadership skills to further the goals of ASEE and make the society stronger. And he mentioned the consideration of philanthropy.

As a "recovering dean," university development and alumni relations are still often on my mind. How about challenging the ASEE Fellows to create an endowment to fund the "ASEE Academy of Fellows Lecture" --- the lecture to be the highlight of the plenary at the opening of each ASEE Annual Conference?

It would be a real, visible, and continuing contribution of the Academy of Fellows to the efforts of the society. The speaker could receive a small honorarium and a plaque to commemorate the event.

I would guess that an endowment goal of \$100,000 would be reasonable to make this work. It would financially benefit the society into the future. And we need to be concerned about strengthening the society financially.

How many living fellows are there? Do you think that the ASEE fellows could get behind an effort like this? Just an idea to "kick around."

Respectfully Submitted,

Wallace Fowler – Secretary

## 2014 ASEE ACADEMY OF FELLOWS BREAKFAST

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# Academy of ASEE Fellows

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## BYLAWS

**ARTICLE 1. PURPOSE.** The purpose of the Academy is to provide a forum which the Fellows of ASEE can raise and deliberate key issues pertaining to the role, quality, and contributions of engineering education, defined in its broadest sense, and formulate position papers and/or propose courses of action therefrom, including appropriate recommendations to the ASEE Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE 2. MEMBERSHIP.** The Academy membership will consist of all living persons who have been named by the Board of Directors of ASEE as Fellows of ASEE, except that any Fellow of ASEE may decline to hold membership in the Academy by advising the Chairman of the Academy in writing.

**ARTICLE 3. OFFICERS.** The Academy will have a Chairman and a Vice Chairman/Secretary. The officers will be elected by majority vote of those Academy members present and voting at the Annual Meeting of the Academy. The terms of office for the Chairman and Vice Chairman/ Secretary will be two years, but no individual may serve in the same office for more than two successive terms.

**ARTICLE 4. MEETINGS.** An Annual Meeting of the Academy will be held sometime during the course of each Annual Conference of ASEE and will be advertised as part of the ASEE Annual Conference. Other meetings of the Academy may be held as approved by the Academy. The Chairman or Vice Chairman/Secretary will preside at all meetings of the Academy unless other provisions are made by vote of the Academy. Officers of the Academy will present an agenda for each meeting of the Academy, to which agenda other items may be added as proposed by individual members of the Academy.

**ARTICLE 5. VOTING.** A vote on any matter at an Academy meeting will be decided by a simple majority of the Fellows present and voting, except that any vote on a proposed recommendation to the Board of Directors of ASEE will require approval by two-thirds of members present.

**ARTICLE 6. LIAISON WITH ASEE.** The Officers of the Academy will maintain a liaison with the ASEE Board of Directors through the President-Elect of ASEE.

**ARTICLE 7. PROGRAM.** The program of the Academy will be adopted at the Annual Meetings and/or at other meetings of the Academy.

**ARTICLE 8. FINANCES.** No levies may be made upon members of the Academy except for meals and like items that are provided to Fellows who attend an Annual Meeting or similar program that the Academy has approved. The Academy may undertake activities that require financial support, but only through arrangements that are made with an appropriate office within ASEE.

**ARTICLE 9. ACTIVATION AND DISSOLUTION.** The Academy will be activated by approval of these Articles at the scheduled meeting of Fellows held as a part of the 1994 Annual Conference of ASEE and confirmed by a subsequent mail ballot by members of the Academy. The Academy may be dissolved by a vote of the Academy at any subsequent annual meeting of the Academy and confirmed by a majority of the votes cast by Fellows as the result of a subsequent mail ballot by the Members of the Academy.

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