

AAME Board Meeting
June 8, 2007
Minutes of the meeting
Arkansas Academy of Mechanical Engineering

The board meeting was called to order at 11:05 AM by President Chris Weiser. Those in attendance were Dacus, Hays, Norton, R.Porbeck, Green, Schmidt, Pettus(shamefully late), Johnston, Roberts, and Wolf(by conference call).

The minutes were approved with the two corrections is the second paragraph. The words “uniform” for “common” line 3 and add “undergraduate” before “degree” line 6.

The Treasures report was present by Hays and it was noted that the \$200,000.00+ balance was the largest anyone knew of to date.

Joe Rencis report included that grants were on the rise, the candidate for the Full Professor position may visit and attend Solar Splash, Chris Deal received 1st Place Undergraduate Division in the Remote Control Hovering Ornithopter contest, the Distillizator Human Powered Distillery team placed 3rd in the recent contest, James Gilbert received the Brandon Burlsworth Scholar-Athlete Award from the Athletics Department for his efforts as a pitcher on the Razorback Baseball Team, Chris Deal got the National Student Leadership Award, James Cope received the 2007 College of Engineering Outstanding Senior Award and the College of Engineering First Ranked Senior Scholar, Mechanical Engineering Freshman of the Year was Johnathan Conley, Nathan Malcolm is the College of Engineering Porter Stone Co-op award winner, Assistant Professor Min Zou received the National Science Foundation Career Award which is the Most Prestigious Award in Support of Early Career Development Activities and has a \$400,00.00 grant over five years with it, Bill Springer received the ASME Dedicated Service Award, and Ajay Malshe has be selected in a National Competition of 35-40 year olds to attend the NAE U.S. Frontier’s Engineering Symposium. Joe working with a committee of Johnston, Pettus, and Weiser will look into combining the AAME newsletter with one for the ME Department at least once per year and call it the “MEssenger”. This would be an additional mail out with the present postcards to keep others informed on the goings-on at ME UofA.

Solar Splash will receive \$3000.00 from AAME to help with the competition.

Jay Miller was appointed Board member to replace J.R. Jones pending Jay’s approval.

Embassy Suites rates for the April 11th & 12th 2008 Annual Meeting are \$109.00 per night. Speaker for the meeting as suggested by Wolf could be Jimmy Delshad Mayor of Beverly Hills.

Chris continues to work on the process of putting the AAME’s book on an accounting computer program.

Next Board Meeting in conjunction with Career Orientation (Jack Murders will be asked to Chair) on Oct 11, 2007.

No COE award nominations and no regular nominations were presented.

Don Johnston, Secretary