

**AAME Board Meeting**  
June 6, 2008  
Minutes of the Meeting  
Arkansas Academy of Mechanical Engineering  
University of Arkansas at Fort Smith

The board meeting was called to order at 11:05 AM by President Wayne Norton. Others in attendance were J. Rencis, L. Pettus, D. Johnston, L. Young, and J. Kimzey. C. Wolf and Caple (by conference call).

The minutes were approved.

Pettus read the Financial Report in Hays absent. The accounts have been renamed to avoid confusion. Accepted.

Michael Stewart sent his Nominations report by email and he has 5 bios in hand and a potential for 2 or 3 more. Michael and Bill Schmidt are the only nomination committee members with the move by J R Jones. Another member is being sought.

Bill Green was not in attendance and no conduct report was given.

Rencis presented his report and it can be seen at <http://comp.uark.edu/~jjrencis/> under the AAME banner on the left. Dr. Rencis presented a proposal to buy reserved parking passes for the four women in his office at a cost of \$1737.28. Motion was made, seconded, and passed. Rencis has turned in the ABET report to the University. The report included many awards to faculty and students and is a good indication of the way Dr. Rencis is trying to improve the image of the ME department. These awards can be viewed in his report on line.

Jack Murders is in charge of Career Orientation and the date will be set later after the fall schedule is more solid.

There was more discussion on the purchase of a truck for the ME department and the board wants to move forward with this project. We need to know how to title the vehicle, how the EE's got theirs, what the specs for such a vehicle would be, and how we are going to pay for it. Members chose items and will report back.

Melissa Longamore will be invited to the next meeting to go over the new accounting system with the board.

The By-Laws are up to date on the web site. Rencis has someone working on accessing the old web site. It was agreed that membership and financial information should require a password.

The 2009 AAME meeting is still on for the 17<sup>th</sup> of April in Rogers. I speaker is 99% confirmed. The University's award dinner will be on the evening of the 18<sup>th</sup> at the Hammons Center.

Russ Rasnic was appointed to the vacant board position.

The board members read thank you notes from the scholarship recipients.

The membership directory has been updated on the web site.

Next board meeting September 12 in Fayetteville.

Don Johnston, Secretary