

**The Academy of Electrical Contracting  
General Meeting  
Minutes  
June 10, 2022  
The Coeur d'Alene Resort, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho**

**David A. Hardt ('07), Chairman**

**Traci M. Walker ('13), Secretary**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Hardt called the meeting to order at 8:00 am. Gloria Ashford ('07) led the Fellows in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**WELCOME TO NEW FELLOWS**

Chairman Hardt welcomed those Fellows attending their first Academy meeting.

**MINUTES**

*Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the October 8, 2021 General Meeting held in Nashville, TN were approved as distributed.*

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Secretary Walker requested a moment of silence for the following four Fellows who passed away since the 2019 Annual Meeting:

James F. Dew ('07)

Leo J. McMillan ('97)

John H. Kohnen ('87)

Joseph A. "Tony" Walsh ('91)

Walker reported on the action by the Board of Directors in approving four Fellows for the transfer from **Active to Emeritus status** effective immediately:

Eric D. Aschinger ('13)

John M. Gueldner ('92)

Robert A. "Bobby" Corbo ('04)

David I. Samuels (16)

**JURY REPORT**

Dennis F. Quebe ('06), Chairman of the **Jury of Fellows**, reported on the election of the following seven candidates for Fellowship in the Academy by the Board of Directors because of their unanimous approval at two consecutive reviews by the Jury of Fellows:

Anthony (Tony) Cook  
Atlanta Chapter, NECA  
UpTime Electric Company  
College Park, GA

Christopher M. Foster  
Atlanta Chapter, NECA  
Whitehead Electric Company  
Mableton, GA

Duane J. Hendricks  
Minneapolis Chapter, NECA  
Egan Company  
Brooklyn Park, MN

James R. Hess  
Oregon Pacific-Cascade  
Chapter, NECA  
Pacific Electrical Contractors, Inc.  
Medford, OR

Paul Kosmides  
Minneapolis Chapter, NECA  
OlympiaTech Electric  
Plymouth, MN

Edwin Lopez  
New York City Chapter, NECA  
New York, NY  
Bruce D. Shelly  
Penn-Del-Jersey Chapter, NECA  
Shelly Electric Company, Inc.  
Philadelphia, PA

Text messages on behalf of Chairman Hardt, notifying those selected, were sent following the Board of Directors meeting. Confirming letters of congratulation will be mailed to each new Fellow and will include an invitation to attend the NECA Convention in Austin, TX for their installation ceremony into the Academy on October 16, 2022 at the Opening General Session.

**PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

The following papers were presented and are available on the Academy’s website:

- It Could Happen to Anyone: Malware, Ransomware Attacks and Protecting Your Company* .....Kent Baker ('92)
- Participation Breeds Participation: A Route to Greater Profits* .....Jerry Hayes ('12)
- Forty Years an ESOP*..... Brad Weir ('13)

**ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Chairman Hardt thanked the following Fellows for their service to the Board of Directors from 2020 to 2022: Jerry Hayes ('12); Skip Perley ('06); Dan Walsh ('12) and Dan Walter ('02). Hardt introduced Traci Walker, Secretary of the Nominating Committee who reported that the following candidates were nominated for a three-year term on the Board of Directors (from 2023 through 2025).

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| John Gau ('86)   | Earl Restine ('16) |
| Todd Mikec ('14) | Jody Shea ('13)    |

*There being no additional nominations from the floor, the above slate of candidates was elected upon motion duly made and seconded.*

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

Chairman Hardt announced that the next gathering of the Academy will be a reception for Academy Fellows and guests during the NECA Convention in Austin, TX. New Fellows will be installed on Sunday morning, October 16, 2022 at the General Session and the Academy reception will be held at The Austin Club that evening.

The 2023 annual meeting will be at The Cliff House in Cape Neddick, ME from June 13-15.

Traci Walker presented a video highlighting the opportunities awaiting us in Maine for next year’s annual meeting.

**SPEAKER**

Our speaker, Roy Spence, Cofounder and Chairman of GSD&M delivered some inspiring remarks and discussed the Power of Purpose.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.



Traci M. Walker  
Secretary