# The Academy of Electrical Contracting Board of Directors Meeting Minutes June 14, 2013 The Lodge, Williamsburg, Virginia

Rex A. Ferry ('02), Chairman

J. Michael Thompson ('92), Secretary

## ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Chairman Ferry called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. with the following present (*italics indicate the members not in attendance*):

# **Present NECA Officers and Past NECA Presidents**

Rex A. Ferry ('02), Chairman	Stan Lazarian ('05)
George Adams ('10)	Robert May ('04)
H. E. Autrey ('73)	Alex Owen ('11)
Ron Autrey ('07)	David Pinter ('08)
D. R. Borden, Jr. ('88)	Dennis Quebe ('06)
Robert W. Colgan ('68)	Daniel G. Schaeffer ('09)
William B. Cook, Jr. ('96)	Greg Stewart ('08)
Robert E. Doran III ('81)	J. Michael Thompson ('92)
John M. Grau ('86)	Gary Tucci ('10)
Gerald Schulz ('12)	Dan Walter (′02)
E. Milner Irvin III, ('92)	Leo Weber ('85)
John Lambert ('10)	

## **Elected Directors**

Terms Expiring 2013	Terms Expiring 2014	Terms Expiring 2015
Bob Bruce ('03)	Jim Abbott (′06)	Scott Bringmann ('09)
John Colson ('05)	Gloria Ashford ('07)	Larry Cogburn ('02)
John Negro ('99)	Jim McGlynn ('98)	Lanny Thomas ('09)
John Penney ('00)	Walter Parkes ('91)	Don Wilson ('04)

#### MINUTES

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the June 8, 2012 Board of Directors meeting were approved as distributed.

#### **JURY OF FELLOWS REPORT**

Jury Chairman Milner Irvin reported on the activities of the Jury and recommended favorable action on the following ten nominees for Fellowship into the Academy of Electrical Contracting. Their nomination forms have been reviewed at two consecutive meetings of the Jury and they have received unanimous votes on both occasions:

Gina M Addeo GMA Electrical Corporation Staten Island, New York Orvil Anthony Fisk Electric San Antonio, Texas Eric Aschinger

Aschinger Electric Company

Fenton, Missouri

Ted H Brady

Progressive Electric Inc Charleston, West Virginia

Brad Butler McInnis Electric Brunswick, Georgia

Darrell Gossett ERMCO Inc

Indianapolis, Indiana

Michael McPhee McPhee Electric Ltd Farmington, Connecticut

Marvin Nelson Nelson Electric Inc Seattle, Washington

B David Roberts NECA Southern Region Covington, Louisiana Frank Schetter

Schetter Electric Company Sacramento, California

Jody Shea

Service Electric Company Chattanooga, Tennessee

James Strange Jr

Advanced Electrical Systems Inc

Louisville, Kentucky

Michael D Toman

Mega Power Electrical Services

Gaithersburg, Maryland

**Donald Turner** 

Ohio/Michigan Chapter, NECA

Rossford, Ohio

Bradley Weir Kelso-Burnett Co

Rolling Meadows, Illinois

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the 15 nominees for induction into the Academy on Sunday, October 13, 2013 in Washington, DC at the opening General Session of the NECA Convention.

In addition to those favorably reviewed for the second time at this meeting, the Jury also reviewed 15 nominations for their first reading. All nominations were approved and will be reviewed at next year's meeting.

Irvin also reported on a suggestion from the Jury of Fellows to eliminate the requirement for signatures on the nomination forms. It is believed that this would help to streamline the process. Signatures would continue to be required on the letters of nomination and recommendation.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Thompson reported on the attendance at this meeting. The number of attendees exceeded the previous year until a few last-minute cancellations reduced the number to 84 Fellows and 73 spouses. The 157 total equals last year's attendance at the Broadmoor.

Thompson introduced a proposal to amend the Academy Rules that was properly submitted, distributed to the directors in a timely fashion. Thompson discussed the process and history of past changes to the Rules, as well as a summary of the proposed changes. A copy of the proposal showing the changes is attached to these minutes.

Thompson shared a report on the history of national and chapter staff that have been inducted into the Academy since its Inception. The report also included whether staff was eligible for induction via action by the Jury, National Award Winner or National Officer. No action was requested or taken on this topic.

#### **ACTION ON REQUESTS FOR FELLOW EMERITUS STATUS**

The following Fellows have requested Fellow Emeritus Status:

William (Ben) Cook ('96)

Robert Egizii ('86)

Murray J Golub ('98)

Richard Jardeen ('87)

Richard Manrod ('95)

Ben Wayne Nevers ('09)

Dick Nogleberg ('02)

Michael Sparks ('07)

Ronnie Toomer ('79)

Charlie Trout ('06)

Michael H Walker ('95)

The following Fellow has requested a change back to Active Status:

Robert May ('04)

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the 13 Fellows listed above were approved for a change in status effective immediately.

#### FELLOWS NO LONGER WITH THE ACADEMY

Thompson reported that the following Fellows have passed since the 2012 Annual Meeting:

Richard Biermann ('70)

Daniel Bozick ('94)

Richard L Burns ('91)

Felix Hirsch ('85)

Wayne Kelley ('78)

Claud O McCrory III ('98)

Robert E (Bob) Rodgers ('89)

## **ACTION ON PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE ACADEMY RULES**

Following discussion regarding the proposal, a ballot vote was taken by the Directors. The results of the ballot were unanimously in favor of submitted a proposal recommending adoption of the proposal to NECA's Board of Governors at their next meeting in October 2013.

## **ACTION ON PROPOSAL REGARDING JURY GUIDELINES**

With the approval of the revised Academy Rules that permits the Jury of Fellows to "establish its own guidelines which will be approved by the Board of Directors", the Board acted upon the recommendation of the Jury of Fellows.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was agreed to revise the nomination process by removing the signature requirement on the nomination form.

#### COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Ferry appointed the following Fellows as a **Nominating Committee** to present a slate of candidates to all Fellows at the General Meeting for the Board of Directors terms expiring in 2016:

Dennis Quebe ('06), Chair John Penney ('00)
John Negro ('99) Dan Walter ('02), Secretary

Chairman Ferry did not appoint an **Escort Committee** for speaker Patrick Henry (because he was portrayed by an actor).

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The Chairman reported on the schedule of future meetings as follows:

**Convention Reception** 

National Museum of Women in the Arts

Washington, DC

October 15, 2013

**Summer Meeting** 

**Biltmore** 

Santa Barbara, California

June 5-7, 2014

## **OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am.

J. Michael Thompson ('92)

Secretary