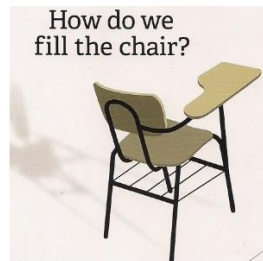




Message from the Chairperson

4/2/2014

I wrote in the previous “Message from the Chairperson” about the “Operations Guidelines” call for our Section to elect new Officers by the end of May with the newly elected taking over July 1st. The positions are Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. At a minimum we must have the first three to insure sustainability in our Section. The vote will be electronically in April/May and must be completed with the newly elected taking over July 1st. There will be a Nominating Committee and an emailed list sent out in April/May. In the past some of you may or may not know how the leadership of our Section is determined. The Nominating Committee has this one time function at this time of the year. The question of sustainability in our Section has hung around for too long. The question in all Engineering Societies is:



Most like ASME have a rotation from the Vice-Chair to the Chairperson. It's a two year commitment at the short haul and longer if you are really dedicated. The challenge is in not allowing it to be too long. One runs out of ideas, energy, etc. and the door is open to apathy. No organization ASME or otherwise will succeed when this sets in, One must “Manage the present and Create the Future”. What are you doing to make sure your ASME Section does not slip into this unhealthy process? The Nominating Committee is chaired by Charles Favor, his contact info is cfavor@carolina.rr.com. There are many ways your skills, talents can be used and perhaps expanded on. Reach out to Charles, let him know your interest, get involved!

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