

VP Committee Composition and Cross-Committee Collaboration

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Motivation

The AESS by-laws state:

(Article VI.C) Each VP shall create in the first year of his/her term a two person committee from members from the BoG to support him/her and to be trained for possible succession.

Observation is that not all VPs were supported by active 2-person committees

Formation of VP committees:

- 1) Consult Board members for preferences on areas to serve in
- 2) Account for candidate's strengths and the term on the board
- 3) Consult VPs and N&A committee on a proposed composition
- 4) Communicate composition to the board and request feedback
- 5) Finalize committee composition accounting for this feedback

Committees

■ Committee members

- Act in VP position if required
- Help shape strategic thinking
- Support implementation of initiatives
- Support execution of programs
- Interact with other VP committees

■ Officers

- Lead the 2-person committee
- Communicate strategy and priorities
- Define and allocate tasks
- Schedule meetings
- Revise AESS strategic plan

1. **VP Education, Kathleen Kramer (2016-2018, second term) (first term as VP Education)**
 - Wolfgang Koch – 1st preference (2016-2018, second term)
 - Mike Wicks – 1st preference (2016-2018, first term)
2. **VP Conferences, Mark Davis (2015-2017, first term) (first term as VP Conferences)**
 - Bob Ewing – 1st preference (2014-2016, second term)
 - Michael Rice – no preference (2016-2018, first term)
Bob Rassa – no preferences (2014-2016, Treasurer)
George Schmidt – 2nd preference (2016-2018, second term)
3. **VP Member Services, George Schmidt (2016-2018, second term) (third and final term as VP Member Services)**
 - Erik Blasch – 1st preference (2014-2016, second term) (Chapter Chair coordinator)
 - Jose Bolanos – no preferences (2015-2017, first term)
4. **VP Publications, Dale Blair (2015-2017, second term) (second term as VP Pubs)**
 - Peter Willet – 1st preference (2014-2016, second term)
 - Maria Greco – 1st preference (2015-2017, Secretary, second term)
Bill Walsh – no preferences (2014-2016, first term)
Michael Rice – 1st preference (2016-2018, first term)
George Schmidt – 1st preference (2016-2018, second term)
5. **VP Technical Operations, Walt Downing (2015-2017, second term) (second term as VP Tech Ops)**
 - Alfonso Farina – self-matched (2014-2016, second term)
 - Leo Lighthart – self-matched (2016-2018, second term)
Marina Ruggieri – no preferences (2016-2018, first term)
6. **VP Industry Relations, Mike Cardinale (2016, zero term, replaced Frank Reyes) (first term as VP Industry Relations)**
 - Vince Socci – 2nd preference (2015-2017, first term)
 - Roy Streit – no preferences (2016-2018, first term)
7. **VP Finance, Jim Howard (2014-2016, first term) (first term as VP Finance)**
 - Bill Walsh – no preferences (2014-2016, first term)
 - Bob Rassa – no preferences (2014-2016, Treasurer)

Opportunities

Encourage committees to embrace three themes for AESS program execution:

- **Innovation – anticipate tomorrow**
 - Propose new customer-focused strategies to grow and position our Society as a leader in future
- **Collaboration – team building**
 - Form active VP committees, engage in cross-VP collaborations, create alliances in IEEE community
- **Leveraging – increase productivity**
 - Seek opportunities to leverage resources (membership, industry, IEEE) to implement initiatives

EVP actions to promote cross-committee collaboration:

- ✓ Consult officers to identify initiatives that would benefit from collaborations
- Build matrix of cross-committee collaboration activities to guide interaction