

## **SOCIETY POLICY**

### **POLLING AND BALLOTING PROCEDURE FOR HONORS, MEDALS AND AWARDS**

#### **I. PREFACE**

- A. By-Law B2.1 states in part: "To promote the art, science and practice of mechanical and multidisciplinary engineering and allied sciences to diverse communities throughout the world the Society shall:..."...Offer awards and other honors to encourage contributions to engineering; confer awards and other honors in recognition of meritorious contributions to engineering."
- B. By-Law B5.2.7.1 states, "The Committee on Honors, under the direction of the Board of Governors, shall recommend properly selected candidates for honors, medals, Honorary Members, and awards, and as required shall recommend recipients of joint awards, all subject to approval by the Board of Governors. However, the Board may delegate to the Committee on Honors the power to approve candidates for any honor, medal, or award other than Honorary Member or ASME Medalist."
- C. The Committee on Honors Operation Guide describes the procedures of nominating and electing recipients of Honorary Membership, the ASME Medal and other honors, medals and awards.

#### **II. PURPOSE**

To define the polling and balloting procedures for honors, medals, and awards.

#### **III. POLICY**

- A. All honors, medals and awards which are the responsibility of the Committee on Honors are to be decided with at least five members of the Committee present and voting, and with no more than one negative vote.
- B. To approve the granting of any honor, medal, or award by ASME units other than the Board of Governors or the Committee on Honors it is required that:
  - 1. A majority of the membership of the responsible Sector Board, Board or Committee be present at the time of the voting;
  - 2. A majority of the members of the Sector Board, board or committee vote in the affirmative, with no more than one negative vote; and
  - 3. There will be no proxy or absentee voting.

#### IV. PROCEDURE

- A. Election or Recommendation by the Committee on Honors/General Awards Committee
- I. Subject to the policies and procedures set forth in this Society Policy, the Board of Governors and each Committee shall adopt its own rules for the consideration of nominees for honors and awards.
  2. The General Awards Committee shall make recommendations to the Committee on Honors for the following medals and awards:

Barnett-Uzgiris Product Safety Design Award  
 Bergles-Rohsenow Young Investigator Award in Heat Transfer  
 Blackall Machine Tool and Gage Award  
 Per Bruel Gold Medal for Noise Control and Acoustics  
 Edwin F. Church Medal  
 William T. Ennor Manufacturing Technology Award  
 Fluids Engineering Award  
 Gas Turbine Award  
 Heat Transfer Memorial Award  
 Henry Hess Early Career Publication Award  
 Patrick J. Higgins Award  
 Holley Medal  
 Internal Combustion Engine Award  
 Johnson & Johnson Consumer Companies Inc. Medal  
 Allan Kraus Thermal Management Medal  
 Bernard F. Langer Nuclear Codes & Standards Award  
 Charles T. Main Student Leadership Awards  
 McDonald Mentoring Award  
 Melville Medal  
 Robert M. Nerem Medal  
 Burt L. Newkirk Award  
 Edward F. Obert Award  
 Old Guard Early Career Award  
 Old Guard Prizes  
 Performance Test Codes Medal  
 Prime Movers Committee Award  
 R. Tom Sawyer Award  
 Outstanding Student Section Advisor Award  
 Lakshmi Singh Early Career Leadership Award  
 Ben C. Sparks Medal  
 Safety Codes and Standards Medal  
 Ruth and Joel Spira Outstanding Design Educator Award  
 Worcester Reed Warner Medal  
 Arthur L. Williston Medal  
 S.Y. Zamrik Pressure Vessels and Piping Medal

The Committee on Honors, on behalf of the Board of Governors, shall elect the recipients of the above medals and awards.

3. The Committee on Honors, on behalf of the Board of Governors, shall choose the recipients of the following medals and awards:

Adaptive Structures and Materials Systems  
Avram Bar-Cohen Memorial Medal  
Zdeněk P. Bažant Medal  
Thomas K. Caughey Dynamics Medal  
Devor-Kapoor Manufacturing Medal  
Daniel C. Drucker Medal  
Thomas A. Edison Patent Award  
Nancy DeLoye Fitzroy and Roland V. Fitzroy Medal  
Freeman Scholar Program  
Y.C. Fung Young Investigator Award  
Henry Laurence Gantt Medal  
Kate Gleason Award  
Richard J. Goldstein Energy Lecture Award  
Melvin R. Green Codes and Standards Medal  
Edward S. Grood Interdisciplinary Team Science Medal in Bioengineering  
J.P. Den Hartog Award  
Mayo D. Hersey Award  
Soichiro Honda Medal  
Warner T. Koiter Medal  
Robert E. Koski Medal  
Frank Kreith Energy Award  
James N. Landis Medal  
Wilfred C. LaRochelle Conformity Assessment Award  
H.R. Lissner Medal  
Machine Design Award  
M. Eugene Merchant Manufacturing Medal of ASME/SME  
Van C. Mow Medal  
Nadai Medal  
Nemat-Nasser Early Career Award  
Rufus Oldenburger Medal  
Marshall B. Peterson Award  
Pi Tau Sigma-ASME Awards

- Gustus L. Larson Memorial Award
- Pi Tau Sigma Gold Medal
- Charles Russ Richards Memorial Award

James Harry Potter Gold Medal  
Dixy Lee Ray Award  
Ralph Coats Roe Medal  
Milton C. Shaw Manufacturing Research Medal  
Spirit of St. Louis Medal  
J. Hall Taylor Medal  
Robert Henry Thurston Lecture Award  
Timoshenko Medal  
Yeram S. Touloukian Award  
George Westinghouse Medals  
Henry R. Worthington Medal  
Savio Lau-Yuen Woo Translational Biomechanics Medal

4. The Committee on Honors shall make recommendations to the Board of Governors for the ASME Medal and Honorary Membership in the Society.
5. The Committee on Honors shall be responsible for the administration of the Dedicated Service Award.
6. The Committee on Honors shall maintain files and shall cooperate with any member or committee of the Society who wishes to make a nomination for the following Joint Awards:

National Inventors Hall of Fame  
M. Eugene Merchant Manufacturing Medal of ASME/SME

7. Decisions of the Committee on Honors for those honors, awards and medals delegated to it by the Board of Governors shall be reported to the Board of Governors at its next meeting.

The Board of Governors has the right to question any decision of the Committee on Honors.

8. The Committee on Honors will also be charged with determining the relevance of continuing ASME participation with the joint awards listed in IV.A.6 above, particularly in the event that the board of award becomes inactive or the objectives of the award board are revised. The Committee on Honors shall make the appropriate recommendation to discontinue any such relationship to the Board of Governors for consideration.

B. Election by the Board of Governors

1. In an executive session, nominations for the ASME Medal and Honorary Membership received from the Committee on Honors shall be discussed prior to any balloting.

Responsibility: Committee on Honors

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(addition of three new awards in 6/2011)

(addition of one new award in 9/2014)

(Addition of one new award in 6/2015)

(Changed responsibility to General Awards Committee for one award and dropped one award 4/2016)

(Updated name to the Henry Hess Early Career Publication Award 7/16)

(Addition of one new award in 2/2017)

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(Fluids Engineering Award responsibility changed to GAC 8/18)

(Addition of Richard J. Goldstein Lecture Award 2/19)

(Eight awards responsibility changed to GAC 11/19)

(Addition of Lakshmi Singh Early Career Award 1/20)

(Addition of Caughey Medal 6/20)

(Nerem, Higgins, Sawyer and Zamrik Awards responsibility changed 11/20)

(Addition of Devor-Kapoor Award 2/22)

(Addition of Grood Award 6/22)

(Addition of Bar-Cohen Award 10/22)

(Addition of Bažant Medal 1/23)