

**The Academy of Electrical Contracting  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes  
June 6, 2024  
Sun Valley Resort, Sun Valley, ID**

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

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

**ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Chairman Hardt called the meeting to order at 10:20 am. with the following present (*italics indicate those members **not** in attendance*):

**Present NECA Officers and Past NECA Presidents**

David A. Hardt ('07), Chairman

*E. Milner Irvin III ('92)*

*H. E. Autrey ('73)*

Donald G. Laffoon ('20)

*Larry Beltramo ('17)*

Terry J. Lette ('16)

*D. R. Borden, Jr. ('88)*

Steve Lindley ('22)

Craig Clark ('14)

David Long ('12)

*William B. Cook, Jr. ('96)*

Gregory D. Long ('18)

Kirk Davis ('11)

Steven M. Petri ('22)

Robert E. Doran III ('81)

Dennis F. Quebe ('06)

Charles W. Fairchild II ('23)

Shawn P. Smith ('21)

*Rex A. Ferry ('02)*

Traci M. Walker ('13)

Stephen Gianotti ('20)

Mark Walter ('19)

Mark Harasha ('22)

David M. Washebek ('20)

**Fellows Elected to the Board**

**Term Expires in 2024**

**Term Expires in 2025**

**Term Expires in 2026**

*Wes Anderson ('16)*

John M. Grau ('86)

Scott Bringmann ('09)

*Michael B. Joyce ('14)*

Todd Mikec ('14)

Henry Brown ('21)

*Rilo Stephens ('17)*

*Earl Restine, Jr. ('16)*

Joe Kaluhiokalani ('22)

James M. Willson ('14)

Jody Shea ('13)

*Mike Weaver ('21)*

**MINUTES**

*Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the June 14, 2023, Board of Directors meeting at the Cliff House in Cape Neddick, ME were approved as distributed.*

**JURY OF FELLOWS REPORT**

Dennis F. Quebe ('06), Chairman of the **Jury of Fellows**, reported on the election of seventeen candidates for Fellowship in the Academy by the Board of Directors because of their unanimous approval by the Jury of Fellows.

Last year, the Board of Directors approved a change to Article 2, Section 3a of the Rules of the Academy. Section 3 outlines the election procedures and indicates that the election of a nominee to the Academy shall be by unanimous vote of the Jury of Fellows which must have been conducted at 2 annual meetings.

The change that was approved eliminates the 2 annual meeting requirement – a nominee would need only one unanimous vote by the Jury and could be installed the following fall. The change to the rules was approved by NECA’s Board of Governors, at their September meeting in Philadelphia. This action is taking effect this year and moving forward.

The Jury recommended favorable action on the following nominees for Fellowship into the Academy of Electrical Contracting:

- John Banks, Motor Shop Electrical Construction Company, Inc. in Battle Creek, MI
- Jeffrey T. Barber, VEC, Inc. in Girard, OH
- Thomas Braley, Pritchard Electric Company in Huntington, WV
- Ben D'Alessandro, L.K. Comstock and Company in Farmingdale, NY
- Harold Danforth, Buffington - Burns Electric, Inc. in Conyers, GA
- Robert W. Davies, Jr., Davies Electric Company in San Diego, CA
- Kevin E. Gini, Collins Electrical Company, Inc. in Stockton, CA
- Richard Hall, Tennessee Associated Electric in Knoxville, TN
- Richard A. Jamerson, Jamerson and Bauwens Electrical Contractors, Inc. in Northbrook, IL
- Frederick A. Jensen, J M Electric in Salinas, CA
- Patrick J. Maloney, Tice Electric Company in Portland, OR
- Debra Margraf, Arizona Chapter, NECA in Phoenix, AZ
- Todd T. Michaelsen, Ohio/Michigan Chapter, NECA in Rossford, OH
- Christopher Olson, RME Electrical Corporation in Aurora, CO
- Marvin “Barney” Pottebaum, Thompson Solution Group in Sioux City, IA
- Jeffrey L. Seidel, Hudson Valley Chapter, NECA in Central Valley, NY
- Jules W. Weaver, Western Line Constructors Chapter, NECA in Cottonwood Heights, UT

Text messages on behalf of Chairman Hardt, notifying those selected, were sent following the Board of Directors meeting. Confirming letters of congratulation were mailed to each new Fellow and included an invitation to attend the NECA Convention in San Diego, CA for their installation ceremony into the Academy on Sunday, September 29, 2024, at the Opening General Session.

*Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the seventeen nominees for induction into the Academy on Sunday, September 29, 2024, in San Diego, CA at the Opening General Session of the NECA Convention.*

## **SECRETARY’S REPORT**

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

Academy Secretary, Traci Walker, reported that the following thirteen Fellows have requested Fellow Emeritus Status:

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|------------------------|----------------------|
| David Dickey ('04)     | Edward Shikany ('14) |
| Greg Gossett ('19)     | Joseph Tucci ('06)   |
| G. Wallace Hook ('12)  | Robert Turner ('19)  |
| Michael Kelliher ('18) | Steve Watts ('19)    |
| Thomas Moore ('11)     | Brad Weir ('13)      |
| Mark Nemshick ('14)    | Robert Zahn ('18)    |
| David Pinter ('08)     |                      |

*Upon motion made and duly seconded, these thirteen Fellows were approved for a change to Emeritus status effective immediately.*

#### **DISCUSSION ON EMERITUS STATUS**

There was discussion on Emeritus status, which becomes automatic if a Fellow does not attend an annual meeting for three consecutive years (per Academy Rules). Secretary Walker will provide more information to the Board at a later date.

#### **FELLOWS NO LONGER WITH THE ACADEMY**

Secretary Walker reported that the following eight Fellows have passed away since the 2023 Annual Meeting:

James L. Davis, Jr. ('04)	Gervase Rose ('99)
Robert L. Gotham ('05)	Victor Salerno ('20)
Eddie E. Horton ('96)	Tom G. Smith ('03)
Anton Klingler ('83)	Lester O. Wuerfl, Jr. ('85)

#### **COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman 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 2025 through 2027).

Bruce Creen ('19)	Tom Kyle ('18)
Chris Foster ('22)	Bob Van Ert ('21)

#### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

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

##### **Convention Reception**

The Ultimate Skybox at DiamondView Tower  
San Diego, CA  
September 29, 2024

##### **Summer Meeting**

Wild Dunes Resort  
Isle of Palms, SC  
June 4 to 6, 2025

#### **OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.



Traci M. Walker  
Secretary