



ARKANSAS ACADEMY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING  
**NOMINATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

***Form to be completed by AAME member sponsor.  
Nominations due by September 1.***

**Nominee Information:**

Nominee Name:	_____
Mailing Address:	City, State, ZIP:
Office Phone:	Home/Cell Phone:
Email Address:	_____
Company:	Title:
Degree Type:	Year:
University:	

***Please provide a resume along with this nomination form. Note that the resume should include only accomplishments/career achievements/affiliations that have taken place since college graduation.***

Please list and describe significant career accomplishments that qualify this candidate for nomination.

**Sponsor Information:**

Sponsor Name:	_____
Mailing Address:	City, State, ZIP:
Office Phone:	Home/Cell Phone:
Email Address:	
Nomination Date:	

***Please indicate your agreement with these statements by checking the box next to each one.***

*The candidate is aware of this nomination and wishes to be considered for AAME membership.*

*The candidate is a graduate of the university noted above and their degree was received 15+ years ago.*

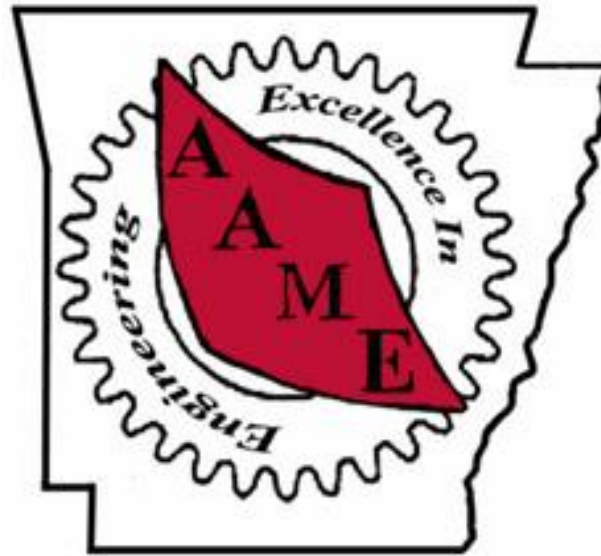
*The candidate is aware that AAME is not just an honorary organization, but one of active service and support of the ME department and students. The candidate will endeavor to serve with both time and money.*

*The candidate is aware of and accepts the requirement to attend the induction banquet next April, if elected.*

**Return to:**  
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**Fax: 479.575.6982**

# ***Arkansas Academy of Mechanical Engineering (AAME)***

## ***2020-2021 Prospective Member Information***



# AAME Facts

- Formed in 1982 with 30 original members.
- 172 current members.
- Since beginning in 1982, AAME has donated \$700k+ to the U of A ME Department for scholarships, student support, and other improvements, including
  - Upgraded 8 classrooms, student lounge, computer labs, and administrative offices.
  - Equipment purchases - computers, printers, furniture, carpeting, tools, and display cases.
  - Financial assistance to increase student retention to retain teaching assistants.
  - Assist in UA ME career day and in judging UA ME student projects.
  - Assist in ME student projects & competitions, eg SAE Baja car and AIAA airplane design/build/fly competition.
  - \$10k-\$15k per year for scholarships.



# ***AAME Activities***

- **Advising senior design projects.** A number of companies suggest and fund senior design projects. An advisory committee is formed for each project, usually chaired by a faculty member and/or an alumnus.
- **Resume review sessions and mock interviews.** Every spring and fall, in conjunction with the U of A Career Fair, AAME members conduct resume review sessions and mock interviews. These are done both on-site and remotely.
- **Speaking to student groups.** AAME members often speak to student societies about professional or technical topics or to offer career guidance.



# *Requirements for Membership*

- Candidates shall hold a degree in Mechanical Engineering or an engineering degree from the University of Arkansas – Fayetteville or from an Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) accredited engineering school, or an ABET equivalent accredited engineering school approved and accepted by the board on an exception basis;
- Degree shall have been granted at least fifteen (15) years prior to the election (2006 graduation year for the 2021-2022 Membership Campaign);
- Degree and professional activities shall attest to competence in Mechanical Engineering; and
- Candidates may be full time Mechanical Engineering faculty at the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville who hold a degree in some other engineering discipline but meet all other requirements.



# ***Additional Desirable Qualities***

**In addition, candidates should note that:**

- Each year, the Academy selects outstanding Mechanical Engineering alums to join the honored ranks of AAME.
- The nominees are reviewed and elected by the entire membership of AAME and are recognized for their contributions to their discipline, their communities, and overall impact they have made on the field of engineering.
- These members must reflect the best mechanical engineers in the industry.
- The qualifications above are higher priorities than numerical membership goals.



## ***Additional Desirable Qualities – cont'd***

**The candidate should understand AAME's mission.**

- Promote and support the mechanical engineering profession.
- Honor mechanical engineers.
- Work with the UA ME Department to increase the appeal of mechanical engineering and further the educational development of future engineers.



## ***Additional Desirable Qualities – cont'd***

**We hope new members will help us pursue that mission via**

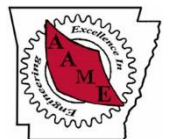
- Engagement, i.e. responding to communication, participation in meetings - live or virtual, serving as an officer or board member, attending initiation banquet.
- Contributing either effort or money. Effort examples include advising senior design projects, helping with resume reviews/mock interviews, speaking to students when in NW Arkansas, etc. We hope they will contribute something every year, if not the suggested \$300 annual contribution.





# *Path to Membership*

- AAME Membership Committee accepts qualified nominations until September 1, 2021.
- Membership Committee reviews the nominations and submits a slate of nominees for action at the October board meeting.
- AAME Board reviews and certifies the nominations in October and submits the list of nominees.
- AAME membership votes in November. To be elected, nominees must be accepted on 75% of ballots cast.
- Invitations to join AAME are sent to elected nominees by December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- To be inducted, elected nominees must attend the annual AAME banquet in April 2022, date TBD.



# ***AAME 2020-2021 Officers***

## **2020-2021 Officers**

- President: Cristine Wolf
- President Elect:
- Secretary: Pete Oppen
- Treasurer: Jeff Hayes
- Honorary Advisor: Lamar Pettus

## **Board of Directors**

- Stacey Archer (2018-2021)
- Katrenia Taweel (2018-2021)
- Bob Harrison (2019-2022)
- Pete Oppen (2019-2022)
- Jack Murders (2020-2023)
- Will Myers (2020-2023)

## **2020-2021 Committee Chairs**

- Awards: Vacant
- Finance: Bob Porbeck
- Conduct/Bylaws: Zane Boatright
- Fundraising: Chris Weiser
- ME Special Projects: Darin Nutter
- Membership: Katrenia Taweel
- Newsletter/Communications: Jim Evans
- Student Liaisons: Darren Talley



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