MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

MARY PEERY

This September’s ACET conference was one of the best yet. The students are as eager to meet with us as we are to interact with them. They come prepared with insightful questions, ready to learn. The mentoring sessions were once again the highlight. Thank you so much for all your continued support and efforts.

The committee work also continues to improve with each conference. The ACET executive committee has made a concerted effort to coordinate with the college in order to align the committees with the college’s strategic objectives. We’ve also made some membership recommendations (see page 4) and appointed some new* committee leaders and co-chairs.

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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

ALAN PARKINSON

It was great to see so many of you at our meetings in September. It makes such a difference to our students to be able to interact with you in person. More than 300 students were able to learn from your experiences and examples of leadership in practice.

Of course, we want all of our students to have opportunities to truly understand and apply leadership principles. I recently read an article from the Boston Globe highlighting a new program at MIT designed to develop its engineering students’ leadership capabilities. The initiative was launched last year with a $20 million gift, and they plan to admit 30 juniors each year. A structured leadership program has been a goal of our college for the last three years. We are currently reaching 250+ students, and are taking steps to make sure all 3,200 of our students eventually receive leadership training. We know this is an area where our students can and should stand out. The college could not do this without your help. Thank you for all you do to assist our students in reaching their full leadership potential.
It was announced at the ACET conference that Myron Jones will become the ACET chair in fall 2010. He will work with Mary Peery for the next year as chair-elect. The college is very pleased that he has accepted this opportunity and is excited to work with him.

Myron joined ACET in 2006 and has served as the chair of the leadership and mentoring committee for the last two years. He is the recently retired president and CEO of NMB Technologies and was this year’s honored alumnus for the Fulton College. He and his wife, Kristine, live in Thousand Oaks, Calif.

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FULTONS

Although they were unable to make it to the conference, the Fultons once again invited the ACET members to spend an evening at their Provo home. It was a wonderful evening in a beautiful setting. ACET appreciates the continuous support of Ira and Mary Lou.
LEADERSHIP & MENTORING

Myron Jones and committee once again directed the mentoring events during the ACET conference. This year the committee surveyed the more than 200 students and spouses who attended the senior dinner and breakout sessions. Of the 175 respondents, 95 percent said they considered the ACET members’ experiences very relevant to their lives. The committee hopes to make an even greater impact by increasing the number of students mentored by having more ACET members attend the 2010 conference.

This next year the committee will serve as a resource for the college’s leadership committee, including serving as and finding guest speakers for leadership classes and seminars and providing video clips on leadership principles. They are also very supportive of one-on-one mentoring, and support the collaborative effort with the Marriott School to create a mentoring website for the Fulton College.

GLOBALIZATION

Directed by Doug Scribner and new co-chair Ketan Kothari, the globalization committee met during the ACET conference and followed up with a meeting in Palo Alto, Calif., on Oct. 23. Focusing on the success of the India trip this past year and the resulting internships, they agreed on several objectives for the coming year:
- Expand the engineering internships in Bangalore, India, from two in 2009 to six in 2010.
- Improve infrastructure for these student interns in Bangalore for a more beneficial experience.
- Lay the groundwork for a second “cluster” of students in Pune, India, in the year 2011.
- Reduce the student expense for international internships by requesting alumni financial participation.
- Increase student enthusiasm for international programs by promoting and supporting various college activities throughout the year.

INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Led by Ron White, the innovation and entrepreneurship committee will have two main areas of focus this year:
- Be the lead committee to implement the college’s collaborative effort with the Marriott School to create an engineering and technology online mentoring site. The goal is to match up entrepreneurial students with appropriate mentors to allow for one-on-one mentoring.
- Support the electrical and computer engineering department in its efforts to offer an entrepreneurship option as part of the senior projects course in 2010-2011.

Committee members have also become involved with a student created and driven committee on entrepreneurship. They have already begun to offer guidance to the students and have participated in a monthly lecture/discussion series the students have started.

WOMEN’S REPRESENTATION INITIATIVE

Led by Valerie Son and Stephanie Magleby, the committee had a productive year that included the creation of a video for young women and a website, both centered around the WE@byu initiative. For the first time, they co-sponsored the Women’s Leadership Forum and expanded the event to involve networking with alumni.

In addition to continuing to flesh out the website, the committee has set the following objectives for 2009-2010:
- Support the BYU Society of Women Engineers chapter by establishing partnerships for the purpose of furthering the goals of women in the college and organizing tutoring in foundational classes.
- Increase networking with industry representatives and among women alumni.
- Develop mentoring opportunities.
NEW MEMBERS

BRAD AND SHANNON BROWN
A graduate of the mechanical engineering program at BYU, Brad is the co-founder and CEO of ATL Technology in Springville, Utah. ATL has its own manufacturing facility in mainland China, a sales office in Taiwan, and employs approximately 40 engineers worldwide.

Shannon graduated from BYU with a degree in English and is active in church and civic organizations. They have six children ranging in age from two to 18 and currently reside in Mapleton, UT.

JOHNNY AND VERLANNE JOHNSON
Johnny is a BYU civil engineering graduate and a career railroad civil engineer. He is currently a partner and owner of RailPros, Inc. and RailPros Field Services, Inc. Prior to starting a consulting and staffing business, he held senior management roles in both freight and passenger railroads and has extensive expertise in operations and maintenance as well as railroad planning, engineering and construction.

Verlanne has a degree in humanities from BYU. They have four children and three grandchildren and reside in Mission Viejo, Calif.

RON AND SUSAN MIKA
A BYU chemical engineering graduate, Ron went on to earn an MBA from the Harvard Business School. He joined Bain Capital in 1989 and was managing director from 1996 to 2002. He is currently a co-founder and managing director at both Sorenson Capital and Huntsman Gay Global Capital.

Susan has a degree in finance from BYU and is actively involved in her children’s schools. She also serves on the Ascend Alliance Board working to raise funds for developing nations. Both originally from Detroit, Ron and Susan spent many years living in Boston and recently relocated to Alpine, UT. They have seven children.

GARY AND CHRISTINA POCOCK
For 20 years, Gary served as the engineering manager for Aramco, the Arabian American Oil Company, working in the Netherlands and in Saudi Arabia, until he retired in 1996. He received his bachelor of engineering science degree from BYU and did graduate work at Texas A&I University and the University of Idaho.

From 2001 to 2009, he served in the Fifth Quorum of the Seventy as an Area Seventy in the Utah South Area. He and Christina have five children and eighteen grandchildren and currently reside in Provo, UT.

MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF SERVICE

The ACET executive committee has recommended, and the college has approved, a policy regarding the term of membership for ACET members. It was decided that service on ACET would be in the form of renewable four-year terms. At the end of each term ACET members would have the opportunity to re-evaluate their ability to continue serving and, hopefully, renew their membership. It is hoped that most members will elect to continue renewal of their membership, as ACET has played a significant role in helping the college move forward. We appreciate your support.

The executive committee and the college have also defined terms of service for ACET leadership positions.
- The ACET chair will serve a two-year term with a chair-elect starting the second year.
- Committee chairs will serve a two-year term with a co-chair starting the second year. The co-chair will become the next chair.