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### The Chair's Message



As the new Chair of the North Central Section (NCS) of ASEE, I would like to welcome everyone to another academic year. I take this opportunity to provide you a brief "state of affairs."

Elections: The results of the 2017 elections for ASEE NCS Board positions were announced at the ASEE Zone II Conference. Andrew Milks (Akron University) was elected for a one-year term as Vice-Chair. Gregory Bucks (University of Cincinnati) and Nicholas Baine (Grand Valley State University) were elected as directors for two-year terms.

Officer Appointments: Jeff Kastner (University of Cincinnati) was appointed Newsletter Editor, Andrew Kline (Western Michigan University) was appointed Secretary, and Kumar Yelamarthi (Central Michigan University) will be serving as Best Paper Award Chair. The complete list of our officers appears at the end of the newsletter.

Spring Conference: The spring 2017 Zone II conference was held in collaboration with the Southeastern Section and the Illinois-Indiana Section in San Juan, Puerto Rico from March 2-5. I want to thank our Past-Chair, Dan Budny (University of Pittsburgh), for his leadership in this endeavor. There were 42 faculty papers at the conference (12 from the NCS), over 60 student poster (4 from NCS) and large number of student papers.

ASEE National Elections: Andrew Kline won the post of Chair-elect for Zone 2. His official duties will start in June 2018. Andy has been in the NCS board for over 8 years. We wish you all the success in this new role.

Finance: At the ASEE Annual Meeting this past June in Columbus, OH, Andrew Kline, Dan Budny and I met with Jessalyn Vermillion, the Controller for ASEE. We were able to come to an agreement regarding the section funds. After the meeting, we received a reconciled statement on 8/8/2017 that reflected the FY15 and FY16 membership allocations and the revenue from the Spring 2016 Conference at Central Michigan University. The BASS financials through Q2 of FY17 shows a positive balance of \$9,669.42 for our section. Without Andy Milks detailed records, we would not have been able to reach this positive agreement.

Future Section Conferences: The Spring 2018 NCS conference will be held at Akron University from March 30-31; and the 2019 Spring conference will be hosted by Grand Valley State University in Grand Rapids, MI. The ASEE NCS regional conference has been averaging more than 120 attendees each year, with 60 to 70 peer-reviewed paper presentations from undergraduate and graduate students and faculty. This conference is a great opportunity for you to present your scholarship and teaching as well as a chance for your students to present their work in a professional setting. As always, we strive to keep registration and other costs affordable. Preparations are underway for the Spring 2018 conference. Please consider joining us this March at Akron University for a great regional conference!

I will encourage you to become involved with ASEE by nominating your colleagues for the Section Teaching Award, participating in our section's regional conferences, and submitting your work and your students' work to the section conference.

**Conference Review:**

- ✓ Spring 2017: ASEE Zone 2 conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico
  - See Page 4 and 5 for detailed coverage

**Future Events:**

- ✓ Spring 2018: ASEE – North Central Sectional Conference
  - The University of Akron, Akron, Ohio
  - See Page 3 for more details
- ✓ Summer 2018: ASEE Annual Conference
  - Salt Lake City, Utah
  - See Page 6 for more Details

**Upcoming Deadlines:**

- ✓ **Abstracts** submission for the 2018 ASEE-NCS conference
  - **December 15, 2017**
  - See Page 3 for more details
- ✓ **Nominations** for the 2018 ASEE-NCS Outstanding Teaching Award
  - **January 15, 2018**
  - See below for more details

**2018 NCS Outstanding Teaching Award****Nomination for the ASEE NCS Member due January 15, 2018.**

The process for nominations for the ASEE North Central Section (NCS) Outstanding Teaching Award will open in November. Candidates for the award must be submitted using the on-line system at the ASEE Nationals Website. Members of ASEE who wish to nominate someone must Log In at:

<https://www.asee.org/> Select the ASEE Award Nominations topic, and scroll down and select the ASEE Section Outstanding Teaching Award for NCS. Select the member of ASEE NCS you wish to nominate, and upload the nomination materials. Review topics to be addressed as part of the “Accomplishments” for the nominee at: <http://www.asee.org/member-resources/awards/guidelines/awards-nomination-guidelines>

**The Award:** The award consists of a certificate, prepared by ASEE National Headquarters, and a \$750 honorarium, presented by the North Central Section. Presentations are made at the spring conference with notation in the ASEE Annual Awards Banquet Program. **Note: Travel to the conference is not included in the award.**

**All nominations must be submitted on-line through the ASEE National website:**

<https://www.asee.org/>


## 2018 North Central Section Conference

March 23-24, 2018, The University of Akron, Akron, Ohio

The website for the Spring ASEE-NCS meeting is now active. Please go to <http://www.asee-ncs.org/> to access the link to the website. The two main web pages are shown below. The second page provides links for all necessary information including abstract deadlines, registration, and accommodations.

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North Central Section Conference

March 23-24, 2018

The University of Akron

Akron, Ohio

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## Conference Review



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**Awards given out to ASEE-NCS Members during Conference**

**Individual Research Poster**

1<sup>st</sup> Place: West Virginia University



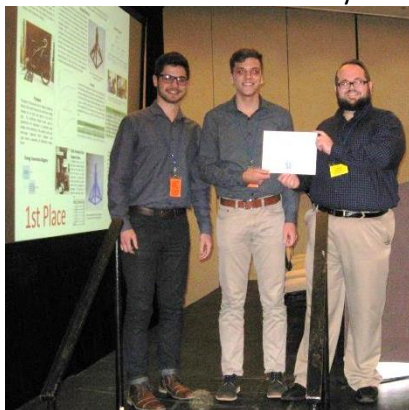
**Best Overall North Central Section**

West Virginia University



**Junior/Senior Team Projects**

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Gannon University



**Junior/Senior Team Projects**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Gannon University



**Campus Rep Award**



**Outstanding Teaching Award**



**2017 Best Faculty Paper Award**

1st Place	Bryan Boulanger and David Johnstone, Ohio Northern University
2nd Place	Timothy Mohr, Grove City College
3rd Place	Carmen Cioc, Sorin Cioc and Richard Springman, The University of Toledo

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Salt Lake City, UT | June 24–27, 2018

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For more information, Go to:

<https://www.asee.org/conferences-and-events/conferences/annual-conference/2018/conference-overview>



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