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New Appointments to AAHP Committees

Frazier Bronson, CHP, President-elect

The only official duty of the incoming president-elect is to submit nominations to the Executive Committee for new members and chairs of American Academy of Health Physics (AAHP) committees. This is an important task, since the Academy relies heavily on the committees to do their specialized work.

Here is the process I used this year. I asked the current committee chairs and the Secretariat if anybody had told them verbally or in writing that they were interested in serving—I got five names here. I asked President Tom Buhl (who did this last year) if he had any good recommendations that he was unable to place. I received the list from the Secretariat of all those members who had indicated interest on their dues envelopes for the past three years. Now I had 150 names of people interested in volunteering for the Academy—a mixed blessing to be sure. I created a master list of potential nominees. Anybody going to the trouble of writing us to volunteer was automatically on that list. Anybody volunteering via dues envelope check-off all three years was automatically on the list, with those choosing the same committee two or three years at the top. Now I had a good list of potential candidates. Next, I had to figure out just what all

the committees do (remember, I’m new to the Executive Committee) so I could properly explain the duties and responsibilities to each prospective nominee and figure out where to best place them. I created a document that summarized the duties of the committees, when they meet, and where they meet. After getting the chair’s blessing on my abbreviation of their duties, this list was sent to all potential nominees along with a questionnaire asking things about their years of health physics experience, job experiences, professional society participation, and if they were still interested in helping us.

I used a ranking criteria of 25% weight each on health physics experience, job experience relevance to committee function, Health Physics Society and chapter membership, and previous health physics professional activities. Since I had a list of good candidates, the juggling started; I tried to match all of the high-ranking candidates with a committee they had expressed some interest in and also sought concurrence from the committee chair. Finally I had to get written permission from each nominee and submit this list to the Executive Committee, along with the recommended appointee, which was approved at the summer meeting. We ended up with an excellent list of new appointments for 2005. Thank you to all those who participated in this process and to those who volunteered to help. Please con-

gratulate these new appointees:

Appeals Committee—Chair Cindy Bloom and new member Gregory Hall; **Continuing Education Committee**—Chair Jeffrey Kotsch and new members Joe Alvarez and Ray Craft; **Professional Development Committee**—Chair Christine Donahue and new members Jay Maisler and Kevin Buckley; **Exam Site Committee**—Chair Donald Brady and new member Anthony Sorensen; **Nominations Committee**—Chair Jerry Hunt and new members Kathy Pryor and Steven Brown; **Professional Standards Committee**—Chair Carol Berger and new members Debra McCroskey and Cheryl Olson.

McAdams Award Reminder

Nominations for the William A. McAdams Outstanding Service Award are due by 2 March 2005. This award is presented annually by the American Board of Health Physics and the AAHP to honor a certified health physicist who has made a significant contribution toward the advancement of professionalism in health physics and to the certification process. Any member of the AAHP may submit a nomination. More information and the nomination form can be found at www.hps1.org/aahp/McAdams_Nomination.pdf.