

Committee on National Awards and Public Representation

General Description

- Committee is standing
- Number of members is five
- Term is ordinarily two years

The President, the President Elect or Past President, and the Secretary are *ex officio* members, the first by recommendation of the Council and the other two by tradition. One or more others are appointed at the convenience of the President, with term of ordinarily two years. President serves as chair.

Principal Activities

1. To anticipate regularly awarded prizes, such as the President's Medal for Science and the Waterman Award, with strong candidates capably presented.
2. To be aware of advisory positions of significance and influence, for example on the National Science Board or on the President's Science Advisory Committee, and to seek ways to promote candidates who would serve both the country and the profession.

Other Activities

The Committee has the power to recommend without referral to the Council. Recommendations are traditionally made in confidence.

Miscellaneous Information

The business of this committee can be done by mail, electronic mail, or telephone, expenses which may be reimbursed by the Society.

Note to the Chair

Committee chairs should be informed, at the beginning of each fiscal period, of the budget of their committees and cautioned to remain within the budget. Such items as travel reimbursement, accommodations, and meals for guests of any kind fall within these budgets.

Work done by committees on recurring problems may have value as precedent or work done may have historical interest. Because of this, the Council has requested that a central file system be maintained for the Society by the Secretary. Committees are reminded that a copy of every sheet of paper should be deposited (say once a year) in this central file. Confidential material should be noted, so that it can be handled in a confidential manner.

Authorization

Council Minutes of 22 January 1969, pp.7-8.

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Past Members

A list of current and past committee members is available here:

<http://www.ams.org/about-us/governance/committees/natlwards-past.html>