

# AMS Public Policy Award Selection Committee

## General Description

- Committee is standing
- Three members, consisting of the President, either the President Elect or Immediate Past President, and the chair of the Science Policy Committee
- Terms are: PRES-2 yrs, PREL or IMPP-1 yr., CSP-1 yr.

## Principal Activities

The prize is awarded to a public figure in recognition of sustained and exceptional contributions to public policies that foster support for research, education, and innovation. The selection committee discusses candidates, identifies the awardee, and reports its choice to the Executive Committee.

## Other Information

Awards will be given annually in Washington, DC, with the specific site and time dependent on the awardee(s). A trophy or plaque will be presented at a reception honoring the winner(s). No more than four awards will be given each year.

## Rationale:

Science and mathematics research and education contribute to our knowledge base, our scientific infrastructure, and our understanding of the world around us. Future innovation and new technologies depend on continued federal investments in science and mathematics. Even so, few government leaders devote significant efforts to developing public policies that recognize the importance of science and mathematics research and education. For this reason, and to encourage public leaders to devote a portion of their public policy efforts to the support of science and mathematics research and education, the AMS establishes this Policy Award to Public Officials.

## Other Activities

## Miscellaneous Information

The Committee has found it effective to conduct its business by mail and conference telephone call.

## *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**

*Coun. Min. 4/21/07, item6.1, p.5; Updated 12/12 Note, Misc Info, membership*

### **Past Members**

A list of current and past members is available at

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

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