

APPENDIX C

WEPAN Action Group Minutes

ACTION GROUP MEETINGS MINUTES

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FACULTY ACTION GROUP

The Faculty Action Group discussed three areas of interest to their membership:

- They want to establish a means of “spreading the word” among graduate students, and faculty, about position openings around the country. There is a degree of frustration in making women aware of opportunities. Wepan-L was viewed as a possible vehicle for information dissemination, however, not many graduate students are on this list. There was no immediate resolution to this issue.
- The Action Group would like to publish a “how-to” manual on being well prepared to pursue the tenure track. MIT has produced such a document. They will check with MIT to determine if we can use their manual as a model and/or modify it in some way for WEPAN use.
- ABET 2000 is the direction for the future of accreditation. The Action Group would like us all to be engaged in the discussions that will be taking place around the country to develop final criteria and expected outcomes for engineering schools/colleges. We must all make sure our voice is heard regarding important curricular and environmental elements that need to be incorporated into the accrediting process.

ADMISSIONS ACTION GROUP

The Admissions Action Group did not meet during the conference. Per the chair, the group will be initiating a survey this summer in order to gather information about effective recruitment tools, budgets, yields and other admissions related materials.

INTERNATIONAL ACTION GROUP

The International Action Group has been very busy. They are hosting the half-day session that will be taking place on the final day of the conference. The group is also working on establishing support programs for institutions in other countries.

AGRED

AGRED is very focused on how to meet the needs of the members of the group. What kinds of research information is really of value. In order to ascertain this information a survey has been distributed. The group will now go about the business of compiling the results and developing actions from there. AGRED will also be developing a presentation for the 1998 WEPAN conference. The group's final focus was to encourage individuals to submit nominations for the WEPAN Research Award.