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BORDOGNA CONFIRMED AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR

On May 6 the Senate voted to confirm Acting Deputy Director Joseph Bordogna as Deputy Director of the National Science Foundation (NSF). Bordogna, the former Dean of Engineering and Applied Science at the University of Pennsylvania, has been Chief Operating Officer and Acting Deputy Director since 1996. Prior to that time he served as Assistant Director for Engineering at NSF.

ASEE PRISM WINS THREE EDPRESS AWARDS

ASEE's PRISM Magazine has once again won awards from the Association of Educational Publishers (EdPress). "Plagiarism in an Online World" (December 1998) by graduate student and ASEE member Julie Ryan won the Outstanding How To Feature. "The Importance of Failure" (October 1998) by Vicky Hendley and design by Amy Powers took two awards — Outstanding Feature and Outstanding Design.

SENATE COMMITTEE APPROVES FRIST-ROCKEFELLER

Early in May, the Senate Commerce Committee passed S. 296, the Federal Research Investment Act, also known as the Frist-Rockefeller bill. The legislation doubles federal civilian research spending over the next 11 years. The coalition of engineering, science, mathematics, and industry organizations that supports the bill is now seeking to have the bill introduced in the House of Representatives. See: http://www.senate.gov/~commerce/press/10654.htm.

1999 ASEE ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMING SOON IN CHARLOTTE

The 1999 ASEE Annual Conference and Exposition will be held June 20-23 in Charlotte, NC. You should plan to attend, and if you haven't already done so, you should make hotel reservations immediately. The headquarters hotel, the Hilton, sold out in April. Also please note: GUARANTEE FOR THE CONFERENCE RATE AT HOTELS ENDS THURSDAY, MAY 20th. Reservations can be made online. Association Travel Concepts (ATC), the official travel agency for the ASEE Annual Conference & Exposition, offers special air fares for the Conference. Call 1-800-458-9383, Email: assntravel@aol.com; Fax: 619-581-3988. For complete information about the '99 Annual Conference, go to: http://www.asee.org/conferences/annual99.

NEW PRISM FORUM FORMAT

PRISM's Online Reader's Forum has moved from a listserv system to a message board system to provide an easier to use and more interesting format. The new system allows
viewing all postings in any of the PRISM Forums and allows contributions to them as long
as one wishes. Registration is not required, but enables e-mail notification of new
postings to the Forum. That option must be specifically selected to receive e-mail
notification.

ETC ELECTION RESULTS

The Engineering Technology Council has elected three new Board members: Dr. William
Rezak, President of the State University of New York College of Technology at Alfred; Dr.
Warren Hill, Dean of the College of Applied Science at Weber State University; and Dr.
Lakshmi Munukutla, Associate Dean of the College of Technology and Applied Sciences
at Arizona State University East. Newly elected ETC Board members will take office at
the ASEE Annual Conference in Charlotte, NC.

NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD NOMINEE CONFIRMED

This week the Senate confirmed the appointment of Dr. ChangLin Tien, NEC
Distinguished Professor of Engineering, University of California Berkeley, to be a member
of the National Science Board (NSB).

GIBBONS JOINS NAE AS SENIOR FELLOW

John H. Gibbons, former Assistant to the President for Science and Technology, and
former Director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, joined the
National Academy of Engineering as Senior Fellow. Gibbons will work with the NAE
president and others to identify emerging engineering and technology policy issues that
the NAE can address in a timely and productive manner.

FULBRIGHT-NOKIA FELLOWSHIP

The Fulbright Scholar Program for Faculty and Professionals announces a new
fellowship, supported in part by the Nokia Corporation, to bring an American specialist to
lecture and conduct research at Finnish universities in electronics, information, or
communication technologies. This award is either for four to six months, beginning
September 1999, or January/February 2000, or nine months beginning September 1999.
Deadline for application is August 1, 1999. For application materials and additional
information, contact Dr. Muriel Joffe, Senior Program Officer, Council for International
Exchange of Scholars, Tel: 202-686-6249, Email: mjoffe@cies.iie.org. For additional
opportunities available under the Fulbright Program, go to http://www.cies.org.

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