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1.0 PREFACE

This document is intended to serve as a guide for participating in the Alumni Awards Program for the 2007-2008 NSBE fiscal year. Revisions of this toolkit shall be released as necessary. Applications for all awards are on NSBE Online (NOL) in the Scholarships and Competitions section.

2.0 TYPES OF AWARDS

Awards are divided into the following categories:

- Individual Member Performance Awards
- Chapter Performance Awards
- Technical Excellence Awards

Individual Member Performance Awards

Recognize the accomplishments and contributions of Alumni members in fulfilling the NSBE Mission and of Alumni members who are exemplary leaders at all levels of the organization

Chapter Performance Awards

Recognize chapters that fulfill the NSBE mission and provide programming that is relevant to their membership and have an impact on the community.

Technical Excellence Awards Recognize individuals who have made contributions to the technical realm and Special Interest Groups (SIGs) that have demonstrated excellence. The technical excellence award also includes the Alumni Scholarships.

2.1 Individual Member Performance Awards

Alumni Member of the Year (\$1000 awarded to member)

Awarded to an Alumni member who has made outstanding contributions to the Alumni Extension and NSBE overall in the areas of leadership, membership recruitment and retention and advancement of NSBE's programs. Their dedication has impacted their chapter, community and their region. A special emphasis will be placed on adherence and achievements based on this year's Alumni strategic plan. These documents may be referenced on the alumni website. Nominees are required to be both a paid member of Nationals and of their local chapter.

National Leadership Awards

National Leadership Award (for Alumni Executive Board (AEB) members only)

Awarded to an Alumni Executive Board Member who has best supported the NSBE Mission. He/She has met the needs of their respective constituency.

He/She has exhibited resourcefulness and innovations to fulfill the NSBE Mission.

National Leadership Award (for any Alumni member in good standing)

Awarded to an Alumni Member who has best supported the NSBE, and the Alumni Extension. He/She has met the needs of their respective constituency. He/She has exhibited resourcefulness and innovations to fulfill the NSBE Mission.

National Mentorship Award

Awarded to an Alumni Member who has best supported FaceTime. He/She has gone above and beyond in spending time mentoring NSBE Collegiate students. *The National Mentorship Award will be judged by the National College Initiative Chair.*

2.2 Chapter Performance Awards

Alumni Chapter of the Year (\$1000 awarded to chapter)

Awarded to an Alumni Chartered Chapter that has made great strides in upholding the goals and objectives of the Alumni Extension. This chapter successfully promoted technical and professional development exemplified pioneering achievements in membership retention and recruitment, and implemented programs that fulfilled NSBE's Mission, Vision, and aspects of the Long Range Plan. A special emphasis will be placed on adherence and achievements based on this year's Alumni strategic plan and the National Directives. These documents may be referenced on the alumni website. The Chapter of the Year will be determined by the Chapter Development Program (CDP) submitted on NOL.

PCI Program of the Year (\$500 awarded to chapter)

Awarded to an Alumni PCI program that has reached a significant number of pre-college students. This is an innovative program that has provided a medium to document the recruitment and retention of pre-college students and to introduce them to the various disciplines of engineering. The PCI Program of the Year will **not** be solely determined by the Chapter Development Program but the information will be used as part of the consideration of the PCI Program of the Year. Documentation from the CDP that addresses the following may be referenced by Chapters that

National Face Time Award (\$500 awarded to chapter)

Awarded to honor the chapter that has helped to jump-start the FaceTime initiative by increasing the interaction between members of NSBE and NSBE-AE through mentoring, helping students obtain employment, working on programs jointly, visiting collegiate chapter meetings and generally increasing the FaceTime between NSBE-AE and NSBE members. The NSBE FaceTime Award will **not** be solely determined by the Chapter Development Program but the information will be used as part of the consideration of the Facetime Program of the Year.

2.3 Technical Excellence Awards

Technologist of the Year (\$2000 to award recipient)

Awarded to an Alumni member who has exhibited a significant scientific or engineering achievement. They have made outstanding contributions to NSBE in the areas of leadership and advancing the overall mission of NSBE. Most importantly, their professional contributions have impacted society as a whole. Nominees are required to be both a paid member of Nationals and of their local chapter

AE Technical Scholarship (\$1000 to scholarship winner)

Recognizes NSBE members accepted or enrolled in graduate school in the fall of 2008 pursuing an advanced technical degree. Up to three graduate students will be recognized with scholarships.

SIG Awards

1. SIG Industry Technical Leadership Award

This recognition shall be presented to the SIG that has best expanded or maintained its sphere of influence in its designated field of technology and has contributed demonstrably to the health of its industry. It must have demonstrated the ability to author eloquent and persuasive documents about its field, encompassing editorials, conference presentations, and/or papers. It must actively engage other technical organizations through alliances, collaborative projects, or other joint ventures.

2. SIG Technology Advancement Award

This recognition shall be presented to the SIG that has most directly advanced the level of technology in its field. It must have exhibited significant scientific or engineering achievement, exemplifying the finest thinking and technical savvy. The importance of its underlying technical contributions will have impacted society as a whole. Competitive SIG for this award will be known for pioneering leading edge technical developments in their research and activity.

3. SIG Technical Community Impact Award

This recognition shall be presented to the SIG that has most effectively utilized its technical expertise to benefit the community. This SIG must have led the Society in the application of technology to solve unaddressed community problems. Competitiveness for this award will be measured by the degree of the transformational effect of its contributions on the community and the intellectual depth of its technical activity.

3.0 SELECTION PROCESS

In most cases the Alumni Programs Zone will be selecting the winners of the Alumni Awards except where noted below.

3.1 Individual Member Performance Awards

Except as noted below, Individual Member Performance Awards will be selected by the Alumni Programs Zone. The National Leadership Awards for the Alumni Executive Board will be selected by the Alumni Extension Chairperson.

3.2 Chapter Performance Awards

Chapter Performance Awards will be selected based on CDP information. Separate applications are not required for the Chapter of the Year Award.

Separate applications can be submitted for the PCI and Facetime Program of the Year or a chapter may choose to use the information in the CDP to be considered for these awards. The National Alumni PCI Chair will judge the PCI Program of the Year and the National Alumni College Initiative Chair will judge the Facetime Program of the Year.

3.3 Technical Excellence Awards

Technical Excellence Awards will be selected by the Technical Excellence Committee which is chaired by the National Technical Excellence Chair.

4.0 AWARDS PRESENTATION

All Alumni Awards will be presented at the National Convention. Select awards will be presented at the Golden Torch Awards, but most awards will be granted at the Alumni Breakfast or during the Alumni Forum at the National Convention.

Awards recipients will be notified by February 1st with the exception of the chapter awards winners who will be notified by March 1st.

Be advised that the winners will be responsible for their registration, housing, and travel to the National Convention. Award winners do not need to present at the National Convention to accept their awards. In the event that an award winner, or a representative of the award winner, is not present at the Convention, the award recipient is responsible for providing a current address to the National Alumni Programs Chair so that the award can be sent via United States Postal Mail or UPS.

5.0 CONTACT INFORMATION

Please refer to the National Society of Black Engineers Alumni Extension website for more information at <http://www.nsbe.org/alumni>. If you have questions, concerns, or comments, please contact:

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