

# **New Hampshire Joint Engineering Societies Partnering Agreement**

## **1. Mission**

Created as a collaborative association of New Hampshire's Engineering Societies, our collective mission is to provide education, leadership, and support for the profession of Engineering across all disciplines of practice.

## **2. Partnering Procedures**

In recognition of our collective mission, the undersigned (see "Partnering Societies" section) New Hampshire Engineering Societies (herein after referred to as "Partnering Societies") are committed to working together on joint activities of mutual interest and benefit.

In order to become a Partnering Society, the following criteria must be met:

- The Society must be a recognized non-profit entity by the IRS with a primary mission related to engineering.
- The Leader or its authorized designee (hereinafter referred to as the "Authorized Designee" of the Society) must sign this Partnering Agreement, committing their organization to adhere to its principals and to actively participate in all joint activities.

Any Partnering Society may be removed from this Partnering Agreement via written notification of withdrawal by the Partnering Society's current Authorized Designee or by a two-thirds affirmative vote of all the Authorized Designees of the other Partnering Societies.

## **3. Joint Activities**

This Partnering Agreement encompasses the list of joint activities noted below. However, it is intended that this list will expand and or otherwise be modified over time. New joint activities may be proposed by any Partnering Society at any time and will be added to the list of approved joint activities upon a two-thirds affirmative vote of all the Authorized Designees of the Partnering Societies.

However, at least one month prior to a vote to add or modify a joint activity, a written proposal, as drafted by the Partnering Society requesting the change, must be circulated to all the Authorized Designees of the Partnering Societies for review and comment. The written proposal must include a well defined purpose, a description of how the joint activity will be managed (Will a committee be established for the activity? Which Partnering Society will Chair the activity?), and a description of how the activity will be funded.

### ***3.1 Annual New Hampshire Joint Engineering Societies Conference***

The conference is an annual daylong conference consisting of sessions of general interest to a variety of engineering disciplines, the majority of which should conform to New Hampshire's requirements for Continuing Professional Development Credit Hours for Professional Engineers.

A conference planning committee will be established each year and each undersigned society agrees to name a committee representative to participate in planning activities. The New Hampshire Society of Professional Engineers (NHSPE) will chair this committee, will manage conference funds in a separate bank account, and will provide quarterly financial reports to the other societies. It is intended that the conference be self-funded through sponsorships and registrations; therefore, no financial obligation is required of any of the undersigned societies.

In order to ensure a sustainable program, all the Authorized Designees of the Partnering Societies shall retain sufficient program funds to cover up to one-half of one year's worth of conference expenses. However, conference proceeds (in any amount) may be expended for the purposes of promoting engineering in New Hampshire upon a two-thirds vote of all the Authorized Designees of the Partnering Societies. This may include, but is not intended to be limited to; engineering scholarships, donations to educational programs, or activities related to engineering, and/or other joint activities of the Partnering Societies.

This annual conference may be discontinued upon a two-thirds vote of all the Authorized Designees of the Partnering Societies. Upon discontinuance of the annual conference and settlement of all outstanding debts, any remaining conference monies will be donated by NHSPE on behalf of the committee to Project Lead The Way® (PLTW) or another not-for-profit organization that promotes pre-engineering courses for middle and high school students.

### ***3.2 New Hampshire Engineering Calendar***


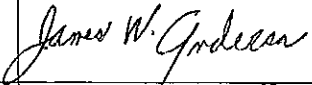
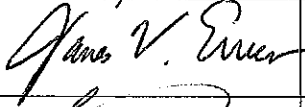
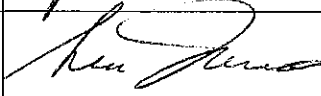
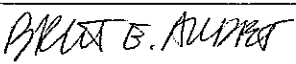
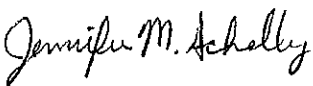
The calendar is an online calendar (<http://www.nhecal.org>) for posting of events for New Hampshire Engineering Societies in order to help avoid conflicts between events and to provide the engineering community a central location to obtain meeting information. The calendar will be maintained by the New Hampshire Society of Professional Engineers (NHSPE) and each society commits to reviewing the calendar prior to scheduling events, planning events as far in advance as possible, forwarding event details to [info@nhspe.org](mailto:info@nhspe.org), and avoiding event conflicts to the extent possible. Maintenance of the calendar and associated website shall be funded through proceeds from the Joint Engineering Societies Annual Conference described in 3.1 above with an annual budget amount agreed to and approved by a two-thirds affirmative vote of all the Authorized Designees of the Partnering Societies.

### ***3.3 National Engineers Week Administrative Support***

The NHJES will provide an annual expense reimbursement of up to Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) for a period of two (2) consecutive years from the execution of this MOU, for purposes of offsetting certain event or administrative costs associated with scheduling, promoting, and producing this multi-discipline event. Upon expiration of the initial two-year period, the continuation of the reimbursement may be considered for an extension of a term and value to be determined and approved by a two-thirds affirmative vote of all the Authorized Designees of the Partnering Societies.

The New Hampshire Society of Professional Engineers (NHSPE) will chair this event and will provide financial and budget reports to the other societies on an annual basis or upon request.

## 4. Partnering Societies

Society Name	Society Authorized Designee	Signed	Date
New Hampshire Society of Professional Engineers	Larry Dwyer, P.E.		9/1/09
The IEEE New Hampshire Section	James W. Anderson		9/1/2009
ACEC-NH	James V. Errico, PE		9/1/09
Structural Engineers of New Hampshire	Sean James, PE		9/1/09
American Society of Civil Engineers - NH Section	BRITT E. AUDET, PE		9.14.2009
Southern NH Society of Women Engineers	Jennifer Schelly		9/16/09