

I. GENERAL

1.

Q: What are the objectives of the activities of the 2009-2010 UP AE Board?

A:

- *To involve more members and entice the alumni community to actively participate and contribute to the advancement of the organization*
- *To recognize the achievements of the organization, as well as its members*
- *To raise funds for the College of Engineering.*

2.

Q: Are there any fees involved in any of the activities by the UPAE Board?

A:

- *None. There are no fees directly involved with any of the activities.*
- *In isolated cases where life-time members are involved, an exception to this rule is accepted.*

3.

Q: Do you accept donations from the members of the alumni community?

A: *Donations are very welcome and will be recognized accordingly.*

II. 100 OUTSTANDING CONTEMPORARY AND POSTHUMOUS UP ENGINEERS OF THE CENTURY

4.

Q: What is the concept behind the 100 Outstanding Alumni Engineers of the University of the Philippines?

A: *In recognition to the extraordinary achievements of 100 of its members, the UPAE will be having an awarding ceremony where they will be presenting these members and their achievements to the alumni community and at the same time present them the award they deserve.*

4a.

Q: Who can nominate and be nominated?

A: *Any member in good standing may nominate and be nominated. A nominee should meet the guidelines/criteria set in order to be awarded.*

5.

Q: What are the main guidelines or criteria for judging?

A: *To become a legitimate awardee, the individual member should have made outstanding contributions and notable impact to the society from the national level point of view, or able to inspire or have inspired the community of the College of Engineering. In addition, he/she must have accomplishments or contributions which have significant relevance to the community*

III. WHO DETERMINES THE RECIPIENT OF THE AWARDS?

6.

Q: Who determines the awardees?

A:

- *As suggested by the Board of Advisors of UP AE, all members in good standing of the UP Alumni Engineers Inc. will be entitled to nominate 100 Outstanding Alumni Engineers of the Century based on the guidelines set forth.*
- *The Approving Board, the Dean and the search committee, are the sole responsible for determining if the nominees comply with the set guidelines or criteria. The right to determine the nominees for the 100 Outstanding Engineers of the century, entirely and exclusively resides on the hands of each and every member of UP AE--the awardees peers – provided that the alumni engineer has made outstanding contributions and notable impact to the society from the national level point of view, or able to inspire or have inspired the community of the College of Engineering and these are manifested with accomplishments and contributions which have significant relevance to the community the nomination is good.*
- *No member of the approving board shall take part on this nomination and shall actively promote any nominee in order to uphold impartiality and fairness to the awards.*

7.

Q: What is the responsibility of the Search Committee?

A:

- *To mobilize all members of UP AE and encourage them to actively participate by nominating those they believe are worthy of the award. They may also receive nominations in behalf of UP AE and make second endorsements stating why they believe the nominee should receive the award. All nominations received by each member of the search committee, whether compliant or not, with second endorsements in certain cases, will be forwarded to the UP AE secretariat for collating. The complete records shall be kept confidential.*
- *The Chairman of the search committee for the 100 Outstanding Engineers, shall forward the complete records of all nominations and second endorsements to the Dean of the College of Engineering for further endorsements.*

8.

Q: Who comprises the Approving Board? What is the Approving Board?

A:

- *The Approving Board shall be comprised_of the 2009-2010 UP AE Board, as advised by the Council of Advisers of UP AE.*
- *All legitimate endorsements from and duly checked by the Dean of the College of Engineering, regardless of merit, shall be forwarded to the Approving Board for finalization and approval.*

- *To ensure the compliance of the nominees to the set guidelines and criteria.*

9.

Q: What will assure the integrity of the award?

A:

- *The set criteria and guidelines by the UPAE shall assure the integrity of the award. All of which are clear, defined and unambiguous as they are.*
- *This shall reflect on the answers given by each nominee through the Nomination Form that shall be duly accomplished by them. In particular, one question should tackle about the outstanding contributions and notable impact of the nominee to the society, on the national level point of view.*
- *The search committee, the dean and the approving board has no discretion on this matter. Their only purpose is to check the validity and compliance of the nominees to the guidelines and criteria.*

10.

Q: What will happen to those who do not qualify?

A:

- *To make the 100 Outstanding Engineers Awards honorable and respectable, the criteria and guidelines should be strictly followed.*
- *However, should there be any motions and recommendations for special awardees, UP AE may suggest to the College of Engineering to give special awards to non-awardees with special outstanding achievements.*

11.

Q: What will happen if the qualified nominees for the 100 outstanding UP alumni Engineers exceed 100?

A: *Only the first 100 nominees who comply with all requirements shall be awarded. Therefore everyone is encouraged to submit his/her nomination at the soonest possible time.*

12.

Q: Is there a ranking?

A:

- *No. There is no ranking.*
- *Even the order of presentation has no significance.*

13.

Q: Why should the nominator and the nominee be a member of good standing?

A:

- *To maintain and uphold the integrity of the organization and its members.*
- *To ensure that both nominator and nominee will give importance to the award.*
- *This is a natural attrition process. One must remember that there are only 100 slots for awardees, while, UP AE has 16,000 members.*

14.

Q: If the nominator is not a member of good standing, what will happen to his nomination?

A: *As a general rule, only nominations from members of good standing will be considered. However, if by any chance the nominations from good standing*

members do not reach 100, other nominations may then be considered based on the principle of adoption.

15.

Q: What is the principle of adoption?

A: *To avoid intrigues and appearance of prejudice, the UP AE Board will implement a policy of non interference in promoting the interest of a particular nominee. Thus, instead of directly acting on the nomination of a deserving alumni engineer, his/her records will be sent to a relevant alumni organization of the college for evaluation.*

16.

Q: What will happen to the nomination of one who deserves to be awarded because of exemplary performance but nominated by a member not of good standing?

A: *If the nomination shall not receive any endorsement by any member of good standing, and provided the issue was brought to the attention of the search committee, his nomination maybe be referred again for adoption.*

17.

Q: If the nominee is not a member of good standing, may he still be nominated/awarded?

A:

- *To maintain the integrity and impartiality of the award, only members of good standing shall be considered.*
- *Members who are not in good standing shall be informally investigated by the board and shall be reevaluated.*
- *If the nominee is simply not interested to become a member, the UP AE shall re-evaluate. Such a position has serious repercussions to the organization. The nominee may not be even willing to accept the nomination and the responsibilities of the awardees, if ever.*
- *If his/her problem is caused by financial constraints, the UP AE Board Members, should they get a majority vote, may opt to pay for his dues. Board members may also adopt the nominee*
- *It is worth mentioning that the activities prepared by the board are designed to benefit both the organization and the members of the UP AE.*

18.

Q: What is the concept of continuing nomination? When is the deadline for nomination?

A:

- *The set deadline for nomination is up to six (6) months before the centennial celebration of the College of Engineering.*
- *However, there is no definite timetable to determine the 100 awardees. The system will continuously evaluate nominations sent. Once there are 100 awardees that is the time the evaluation shall end but nominations will still be accepted for the practical reason that all nominations, after all, will be forwarded to awardees.*

19.

Q: If an alumni engineer has been awarded, do you still recommend that others still forward their nomination?

A:

- Yes. Considering that nomination is for free, it is a nice gesture to show support to fellow alumni, may he be an awardee already or not.
- It serves as a validation of his deservingness for the award.
- However, in this case, the *nominator* no longer needs to complete all requirements. Only the first page of the nominating form is necessary.

20a.

Q: How many times can an alumnus be nominated?

A:

- *There is no limit on the number of nominations. UPAE will forward ALL nominations, whether submitted before or after the actual awarding rites, to the awardees.*

IV. AWARDING DATES

21.

Q: When will the awarding for the 100 Outstanding Engineers be?

A:

- *The first awarding ceremony was done December 17, 2009 at the Engineering Theater, College of Engineering the same day of the Christmas UP Lantern Parade and the second was done last June 12, 2009 at the UP Ang Bahay ng Alumni during the Homecoming of the College of .*
- *The next awarding ceremony will be schedule before the celebration of the Centennial of the College of Engineering .*

22.

Q: Is there a ranking (repeated because relevant in this division)?

A:

No. There is no ranking. Even the order of presentation has no significance. It may even be possible that twenty (20) other individuals have been, in confidence, informed that they are forthcoming awardees.

23.

Q: Why not simply award all the 100 individuals simultaneously?

A:

Awarding nights are supposed to be the seven minute glory of the awardees. During this event, due recognition and accolade will be given. 100 multiplied by 7 minutes results to 700 minutes. Chaos and havoc will surely arise.

OTHERS

24.

S: The awarding event is intended merely to raise funds, comment.

C:

- *As suggested by the Board of Advisors of UP AE, there are no corresponding fees to nominate, be nominated or be given an award. The UP AE 2008-2009 Board*

- also validated and adopted this position. The nomination form also may be availed on-line for free.*
- *Furthermore, the criteria or guidelines are clear, definite and prestigious. Only those engineers who achieved national prominence or has inspired the College of Engineering as a community may receive the award.*
 - *Increase of funds for UP AE is only an incidental consequence of members becoming more active.*

25.

Q: What is the difference between Most Distinguished Alumnus Award given every year and the 100 Outstanding Alumni Engineers of the Century?

A: *The criteria set (see answer to Q. 5).*

26.

Q: Will it be possible that UP AA Awardees be included in the 100 Outstanding Engineers of the Century?

A: *Yes, provided they are in good standing, nominated by a member in good standing, and qualified based on the criteria set forth*

27.

Q: Are the Most Distinguished Alumnus Awardees of UP AE automatically included in the 100 Outstanding Alumni Engineers of the Century list of awardees?

A: *They must still be a member in good standing, nominated by a member in good standing, and qualified based on the criteria set forth.*

28.

Q: Can we nominate past Deans of the College of Engineering?

A: *Yes.*

29.

Q: May we nominate a deceased alumnus?

A: *Yes.*