

## Sent on behalf of: Warren Brown

Dear Delegate,



The period for voting, starting February 2, 2009 regarding the Board of Directors' motion to the HoD for a dues increase ended on March 18. After allowing time for those ballots mailed to be received at ASSE Headquarters and counted, the official vote indicates a vote to approve the motion to increase membership dues by \$10 per year for each of the next three years.

I appreciate the time taken by delegates, chapter leaders and involved members to consider the motion and cast a vote on the future of this Society. I also want to express thanks to our fellow members and colleagues of the Finance Committee, Board of Directors and professional staff of ASSE for their diligent efforts to present reasoned and sound information bringing this motion forward to the House of Delegates.

Going forward, your elected and appointed leaders will continue to manage the Society in a prudent and responsible manner. We will continue to review the Society's strategic plan and operations in light of our finances and the challenging economy before us all. A focus on strong financials will continue as it has for some years. Non-dues revenue will continue to be emphasized. Current services and products will be reviewed and prioritized. New and proposed services and products and expansion of existing programs will be scrutinized. As always our primary goal will be to deliver value to the membership.

For your information and to summarize the vote results, please see below.

The actual vote count results were:

- Approve the motion: 125
- Disapprove the motion: 42

A review of the votes cast shows:

- 75% of voting delegates voted in favor of the motion.
- 25% of voting delegates voted against the motion.

Of the total delegates of record and eligible to vote a further review indicates:

- Approximately 53% voted for the motion and
- Approximately 18% voted against the motion.
- Approximately 29% of delegates did not vote.

Again, I thank you for considering and voting one way or the other on this motion. You have shown leadership and commitment to your profession and its professional society.

Sincerely,



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Chair, House of Delegates  
President, American Society of Safety Engineers

cc: Chapter Presidents