

RFST Division Annual Report: 2006



Renewable Fuels and Sustainable Transportation Division

DIVISION MISSION

- * Support the widespread development and use of clean, renewable fuels
- * Lobby for improved fuel efficiency and emissions standards
- * Support the rapid transition to zero emission renewable energy technologies
- * Promote sustainable community planning to reduce fossil-fuel dependence

DIVISION OFFICERS

Chair: Steve Heckerth steve@renewables.com

Vice Chair: David Smith david.smith@solarenergy.com

Sec/Treas: John Rockhold jrockhold@MotherEarthNews.com

DIVISION COMMITTEES

Nominating: Paul Notari, as past chair of the RFST Division, was selected to head the nominations committee. Paul can be reached at paulnotari@cs.com

Sponsorship: Cary Church was nominated to head the effort to attract sponsors for ASES events. Kerry can be reached at cschurch@comcast.net

Technical Review: Drew Gillette volunteered to lead technical review committee for Solar 2007. Drew can be reached at deaneg@hotmail.com

Annual Conference: Steve Heckerth volunteered to organize RFST Forums

Newsletter: Paul Notari volunteered to continue editing the quarterly RFST Dispatch

Education and Events: Janice Arnold volunteered to lead an effort to identify and organize events related to the RFST Division mission. Janice can be reached at Janice.Arnold@GE.com

ANNUAL DIVISION MEETING

The RFST Division held its Annual Meeting on July 11, 2006, in conjunction with SOLAR 2006, the ASES national solar energy conference

1. The officers listed above were elected to serve until new election procedures are established.
2. The Division Mission was discussed and revised as stated above.
3. The recommendation was made to digitize all past Annual Conference Proceedings and Solar Today articles and offer a searchable data base for Professional Members on the ASES web site.
4. The committees listed above were discussed and leaders were selected.
5. The importance of recruiting new members to division was discussed.
6. The membership in attendance agreed, without objection, to ask that ASES formally become a member of Plug-in Partners.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

SOLAR 2006:

The RFST Division Chair organized the seventh Emerging Transportation Plenary on the topic of 'Plugging Transportation into the Sun' as well as three well-attended forums on plug-in vehicles. There were also several forums on biofuels, biomass and community planning.

SOLAR 2007:

This years **Emerging Transportation Plenary** will again be organized and moderated by the RFST Division Chair and it will feature the following speakers:

Paul Scott, Plug-in America, Star in 'Who Killed the Electric Car'

Sherry Boschert, President, San Francisco Chapter of the Electric Auto Association, Author of "Plug-in Hybrids: The Cars That will Recharge America"

Danilo J. Santini, Senior Economist, Section Leader, Technology Analysis, Center for Transportation Research, Argonne National Laboratory

Travis Bradford, President, Prometheus Institute, Author 'Solar Revolution'

Forums: A discussion Forum on Plug-in Vehicles will be held after the Plenary and a Forum on Battery Development has also been proposed.

Look for the final list of accepted Technical Sessions and Forums in March on the conference web site at: <http://www.ases.org/solar2007/program.htm>

TECHNICAL REVIEW

Special thanks to Drew Gillette for representing the RFST Division on the National Conference Technical Review Committee.

EDUCATION and EVENTS

Janice Arnold, leader of the Events committee, suggested expanding the EVENTS, ARTICLES and RESOURCES listings on the RFST activities web page at:

http://www.ases.org/divisions/fuels/sf_activities.htm. Please contact Janice at: Janice.Arnold@GE.com with your suggestions for listings on RFST topics.

NEWSLETTER

Please send comments and suggestions for future Newsletter content to RFST Dispatch editor Paul Notari at: paulnotari@cs.com

2007-2008 LEADERSHIP

Chair Steve Heckerth

Bachelor of Architecture, Arizona State University, Designed and built numerous solar homes during 25 years of practice. Manufactured electric vehicles '93-'99. Director of Building Integrated Photovoltaics, ECD Ovonic, 2001- present, Member of the Board of Directors for the Solar Living Institute since 2000.

Vice Chair: David Smith

BS Environmental Biology and Marine Sciences, New College, Sarasota, FL; MBA University of Miami FL; Purchasing Manager -President Florida Filters, Inc. '75-'95; WACO Filters '95-2001; consultant with Energy Labs, Inc '02-'04; in 2004 acquired Sunworks and became the largest solar dealer in North Florida

Sec/Treas: John Rockhold

Managing editor of the **Mother Earth News** magazine, Author or editor of more than a dozen articles on hybrids, plug-in hybrids, electric vehicles, fuel-efficient cars and other green transportation issues.