COMMENTS





I would like to call to the attention of our readers that a new editorial advisory board was formed by *Fusion Technology* (FT) in January 1986. Membership of this board is listed on the inside of the front cover of each issue. The initial board consists of:

Charles Baker (ANL) Hans Conrads (IPP-KFA, FRG) Donald L. Cook (SNL) Charles A. Flanagan (ORNL) Ehud Greenspan (Israel AEC) William Hogan (LLNL) Robert A. Krakowski (LANL) L. John Perkins (LLNL) Douglass Post (PPPL) Kenneth Schultz (GA Technologies, Inc.) Weston Stacey (Georgia Institute of Technology)

Terms on the board are staggered so that a nominal length of service is three years, although reappointment for a second term is possible. The board is charged with advising the editor on a wide range of editorial policy matters. Examples of issues that have come up include a decision on what types of reports can be published as articles without violating the prior publication policies of the journal and help in identifying appropriate topics for review articles. The board has already been extremely active and, for example, has suggested the development of special issues on the Next European Tokamak project, KrF lasers, and heavy ion beam fusion. Individuals on the board have also been most helpful in identifying and contacting prospective authors for review articles as well as interfacing with various researchers they know who are interested in publishing in FT. Thus both the editorial staff and the readership have already started to benefit from the active involvement of the editorial board.

Readers who have an interest in the journal and want to discuss policies or special questions about an article should feel free to contact an editorial board member if that is more convenient than going through the editor's office. The board meets at the national American Nuclear Society (ANS) meetings when the Fusion Division participates and at ANS Fusion Topical meetings. Other interested persons who would like to bring up issues for discussion should pass that information on to a board member or attend the meeting. Of course, urgent items can be taken up directly through mail or telephone prior to these meetings.

Certainly we all owe members of the advisory board a "vote of thanks" for their vital contributions. Please mention this to any member that you know the next time you see him.

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