# Directed Energy Professional Society

## Annual Membership Report

Dr. David Stoudt, President 28 April 2022





# Directed Energy Professional Society

• Celebrating 22 years of fostering research, development, & operational transition of Directed Energy technology for national defense and civil applications through professional communication, education and outreach

#### **Our Goals**

- Foster communication within the DE community
- Enhance DE education through scholarships & internships
- Recognize outstanding DE contributions through our Fellows program
- Publish and archive DE achievements (Journal of Directed Energy)
- Enable DE Outreach through Professional Conferences and Symposia



# 2020-2022 DE Defense Appropriations

	FY20	FY21	FY22
• US Army	\$118M	\$446M	\$395M
• US Navy	\$243M	\$236M	\$165M
• US Air Force	\$238M	\$214M	\$231M
<ul> <li>Missile Defense Agency</li> </ul>	\$116M	\$46M	\$48M
• Joint Intermediate Forces Office	\$48M	\$48M	\$49M
• OSD/DE JTO	\$143M	\$157M	\$150M
• TRMC +DARPA + SOCOM	\$46M	\$59M	\$102M
<ul> <li>Total DE Budget</li> </ul>	\$953M	\$1206M	\$1140M



## **DEPS Strategic Objectives**

- Restore Fiscal Stability
  - Complete
- Increase membership/diversity
  - Increase in our younger population
  - Increase in gender & ethnic diversity
  - Increase in our military membership
- Re-establish educational outreach efforts



### **Annual Achievements**

- Awarded \$180k of graduate Scholarships
  - Thanks to DE JTO and ONR for their support
  - 88% placement rate of scholars into the DE career field
  - Both AFRL/RD and NSWC/DD have actively recruited from the DEPS Scholarship pool
- Successful conferences in DC (Systems, Oct 21); NM (T&E, Jan 22); & Mobile (S&T, Mar 22)
  - Classified & Limited Distribution venues sets DEPS apart from other professional societies & commercial conferences
  - Back to In-Person events is welcome!



## **DEPS Financial Status**

•	Cash on hand	<b>Operating Funds</b>	Reserves
	• Mar 2021	\$230.580	\$319,790
	• Mar 2022	\$295,490	\$378,800

#### • 2021 budget

DEPS Scholarship Fund	\$12,300	Goal \$500,000
• Expenses	est \$1,176,710	act \$1,280,932
• Income	est \$1,265,250	act \$1,383,182

#### **Independent Audits**

- 2020 Audit completed, no significant findings
- 2021 Audit begun

DEPS has not had to dip into our Reserve Funds



## **DEPS Scholarship Fund**

- Five-year plan to create a \$500k scholarship endowment
  - That would fund two named scholarships annually, in perpetuity (\$10k/award)
  - Expect a 4.5% annual withdrawl, consistent with standard endowment practices
  - Five-year gifting program also consistent with standard endowment practices
  - Board has approved one named scholarship for Dr. Sam Blankenship
    - 1st DEPS Executive Director (2001-2012)
  - DE JTO has approved one named scholarship for Dr. Jack Slater (2020-2024)
    - JTO Technical Advisor (2001-2018)

# Thank you to our DEPS Sponsors



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#### **DEPS Committees**

#### Board of Scientific & Engineering Advisors

- Membership limited to new and immediate past Fellows
- Review/recommend Scholarship awards (packages due 30 April)
- Review/recommend Fellows packages (packages due 1 Nov)
- New Fellows recognized on 26 April

#### Education Outreach committee

- High School Science Fair STEM awards
  - Covered Dallas TX & central New Mexico, awarded \$3200 in prizes & teacher stipends
  - A Big Thank you to those who volunteered to help with the judging
- Volunteers are still needed for other state Science Fair locations
- Contact Cristina Crowson (cristina@deps.org) to volunteer

# DEPS Board of Directors Elected by the DEPS Membership



**Serving Directors** 

Dave Stoudt (BAH)

John Hartke (USMA)

Don Seeley (Blue Halo)

Diana Loree (DE JTO)

Michael O'Connor (nLight)

Jeff Maloney (II-VI)

**New Director** 

Iain McKinnie (Raytheon)

**Re-Elected Directors** 

**Stephanie Miller (AFRL)** 

Adam Aberle (SMDC)

Chris Behre (NSWC)

# DEPS Officers Elected by the Board of Directors



New Officers (to be selected)

President Dave Stoudt

Vice President John Hartke

Secretary Bill Decker (Emeritus)

Treasurer Don Seeley

BSEA Liaison Diana Loree



## **DEPS 2022 Events**

- DEPS Annual S&T Symposium
  - 25-29 April 2022, Mobile AL
- US/UK DE Workshop
  - 18-22 July 2022, RAF Shrivenham UK
- DEPS Systems Symposium
  - 14-18 Nov 2022, La Jolla CA



#### **Executive Director Search**

- Mark Neice has advised the Board he would like to voluntarily step down from the DEPS Executive Director position at the end of 2022.
- The Board has established a search committee, led by Col John Hartke, to look internal to the DE Community for a replacement
  - Dave Kiel & Dr Sean Ross are also part of the search committee