

# ASQ Statistics Division Newsletter

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## Minutes of the Council Meeting

**October 29, 1981**  
**Gatlinburg, Tennessee**

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm. A list of those attending is attached.
2. John Cornell reported on the "How To" booklet series. Three booklets have been published to date and all are listed in Quality Progress. One booklet is currently in publication, although we have experienced some delays in final publication. There are currently twelve booklets under preparation. Dr. Cornell discussed various strategies that might be employed to increase the visibility of the booklet series.
3. An announcement was made that the new newsletter editor is Ronald G. Askin, of the University of Iowa. One newsletter has already been prepared this year and is currently in the mail. Individuals having items that should be published in the newsletter are urged to communicate directly with Dr. Askin. The goals in this area are to publish three or four newsletters this year.
4. Division goals and objectives for the next year in the education and conference areas were discussed. It is planned to continue our involvement with the Annual Conference on Applied Statistics, and to work with the Chemical Division to participate in the Fall Technical Conference. Specifically, the Division agreed to develop three of the tutorial sessions for the next Fall Technical Conference in Atlantic City.
5. A suggestion was made that the Statistics Division segment of the Annual Quality Conference program go to an invited session format. The consensus was that this would improve the content and structure of the Statistics Division program. These ideas will be forwarded to Frank Alt, who is planning the program for this year, and who will be the next Statistics Division Chairman.
6. The Treasurer's report was given by P. Jacobs. Approval was given to invest Division funds in money market funds.
7. A report from Oswald Wilner, ASQC Chairman of the Statistical Standards Committee was given. A copy of this report is attached to the minutes.
8. It was announced that current division membership is approximately 1900, and this has apparently stabilized. The period of rapid growth of Division membership is over, and we can probably expect to grow at about the same rate as the Society.

9. The Section on Physical and Engineering Sciences of ASA is conducting a membership survey. It was suggested that perhaps this membership survey could also identify SPES members who are also members of the Chemical Division and the Statistics Division of ASQC. It is suspected that the membership of these three Divisions overlaps considerably.

# Editor's Corner

I apologize for the delay in mailing the last issue, the process of obtaining a bulk rate permit took longer than I expected (in fact, the observed time occurred at the upper 6% point of my prior). Hopefully, this issue has arrived before the robins.

Please take a couple of minutes to fill out and return the enclosed survey. Only with your guidance and participation will our Newsletter perform a valuable service for the Division and its members.

You may have noticed the membership figure in the minutes. Well, we must still be growing because as of January 13, 1982, Division membership stood at 2,757.

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