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Dear AFCCE Members,

As we move forward into the 2018–2019 fiscal year I wanted to provide an update on some of AFCCE’s activities and encourage your active participation in AFCCE happenings and events.

The 70th Annual Meeting was held in June in Seattle, with over 50 members and guests participating. Some highlights included an inside tour of seven historic AM transmitter facilities at four sites on Vashon Island, the banquet at Palisade Restaurant at the Marina and the wonderful open house held through the courtesy of the Dawson family. We also wish to thank Steve Lockwood and his host committee for their efforts in making the Annual Meeting a great success. The staff at the Hotel Sorrento also deserve kudos for their support.

The 2017–2018 Annual Report has been reviewed, edited, and approved, and a PDF copy of the final version will be included with my next communiqué.

Three new directors were elected by ballot of the membership, and I would like to welcome Sterling Davis, John George and Stephen Pumple to the board. John George has agreed to be Secretary as Bob Weller moves to the position of Treasurer attempting to fill the shoes of longtime treasurer Ron Chase. Thanks to Ron for his service as an officer and director over the past three years. Thanks also to Steve Crowley and Marshall Cross for their years of service on the board.

Because of the change in eligibility for Full Membership, several members stepped up to make application and were elevated this past year. These members include the late Byron St. Clair, John George, Sterling Davis, John Collinson, Jorge Gonzalez, David Layer. New Associate Members include Stephen Pumple, Angela Gillespie and Bert Goldman. A new student member, Tram Le, was added and attended the Annual Meeting. Following the Annual Meeting, the incoming Board elected new officers. The new officers for the 2018–2019 term are (the board member’s class term is shown in parenthesis):



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## 2018 – 2019 Officers

President	John Lyons (2019)
Vice President	Chris Horne (2020)
Secretary	John George (2022)
Treasurer	Bob Weller (2019)

## Directors

Anne Goodwin Crump (2020)	Mark Fehlig (2019)
Sterling E. Davis (2022)	Stephen Pumple (2021)
Jon Edwards (2020)	

## Standing Committee Chairs

Admissions: Matt Sanderford  
Nominations: Ben Evans  
Rules & Standards: Steve Crowley  
Permanent Arrangements: Chris Horne  
Professional Ethics and Grievances: Mark Fehlig

I want to thank Bob Weller for jumping from Secretary to Treasurer to help with financial continuity after the resignation of Ron Chase. I also want to acknowledge the work of John Reiser and Martin Doczkat for organizing the monthly luncheons and speakers, and dedicated efforts of Marshall Cross, Chairman of the AFCCE Scholarship Fund's Scholarship Committee. We need to secure a replacement for Martin as Program Coordinator especially with the September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting rapidly approaching. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact me ASAP by phone or e-mail.

## Luncheon Meetings for 2018-2019

The first luncheon of the year will be held on Friday, September 21st at the Holiday Inn in Rosslyn. A speaker is needed.

9/21 (Friday) – Luncheon Meeting (Holiday Inn-Dogwood)  
10/10 (Wednesday) – Joint AFCCE/BTS Luncheon (Marriott Key Bridge)  
10/11 (Thursday) – AFCCE Fall Social (Holiday Inn-Vantage Point Restaurant)  
11/28 (Wednesday) – Luncheon Meeting (Holiday Inn Shenandoah AB)  
11/28 (Wednesday) – FCC Reception, National Press Club  
1/18 (Fri) – Luncheon Meeting (Holiday Inn-Dogwood)  
2/22 (Fri) – Luncheon Meeting (Holiday Inn-Dogwood)  
3/22 (Fri) – Luncheon Meeting (Holiday Inn-Dogwood)  
5/17 (Fri) – Luncheon Meeting (Holiday Inn-Dogwood)



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## AFCCE/IEEE BTS Joint Luncheon

The 67th Annual [IEEE Broadcast Symposium](#) will be held October 10–12 in Rosslyn, just two blocks from the Holiday Inn. As we have done for over forty years, there will be a joint AFCCE/BTS Luncheon on Wednesday, October 10.

## Fall Social

AFCCE's Fall Social will be held on October 11th at the Vantage Point Restaurant, atop the Holiday Inn. The Social follows the last paper of the Broadcast Symposium. The Fall Social benefits our scholarship fund and raised over \$11,000 last year. We are looking to eclipse that number this year.

## AFCCE/FCC Staff Reception

The Annual AFCCE/FCC Staff Reception will be held at the National Press Club in Washington, DC, on November 28th from 4 to 7 pm. The FCC Reception is a popular event among FCC technical staff, and allows us to honor and celebrate with the recipient of the 2018 E. Noel Luddy Award. Please plan on joining us for this fun event.

## AFCCE Scholarship Program

The AFCCE Scholarship Program administers over \$60,000 in scholarship funds for tele-communications students for their baccalaureate or graduate degree programs. Applications are presently being accepted for spring semester (2019) awards. We thank all members of the Scholarship Committee for their hard work and also thank AFCCE member Tom Silliman for his work on the joint AFCCE/IEEE Jules Cohen Scholarship program and Mark Fehlig for his coordination with IWCE. We are working with the National Translator Association to launch a new scholarship in memory of Byron St. Clair,

## FCC Comments

Our aim in filing comments is to provide information to help ensure that the FCC can make informed policy choices, not necessarily to advocate for specific positions. There are many issues before the FCC this year that may be suitable for AFCCE comment, but we need people who feel strongly about particular issues to draft comments. Participate!

A better AFCCE requires your help. AFCCE needs its members to work on committees doing everything from helping draft comments on proposed regulations to helping coordinate the Annual Meeting. If you ask some on the board how you can help, I guarantee that you will be rewarded with meaningful tasks. So, please ask. Send me or another board member an e-mail or talk to us at a



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luncheon about getting involved. You don't have to be local to DC, either. There are lots of areas where AFCCE can and should contribute, but we need members willing to help. AFCCE's ability to serve its members and our industry is limited only by the amount of time and talent offered by its members.

Please let me or another board member know if you have any suggestions to improve AFCCE or its functions. I look forward to seeing you at one or all of our upcoming events.

Very truly yours,

President  
(2017–2019)