

ASME Vision and Mission Statement

Vision

To be the premier organization for promoting the art, science and practice of mechanical and multidisciplinary engineering and allied sciences to our diverse communities throughout the world.

Mission Statement

To promote and enhance the technical competency and professional well-being of our members, and through quality programs and activities in mechanical engineering, better enable its practitioners to contribute to the well-being of humankind.

ASME Board of Governors Core Values

1. Mission focused	Governors are expected to be familiar with the ASME mission, the ASME vision, the ASME Strategic plan, and the ASME core values. Their actions and decisions should be informed by the principles contained in these guiding documents to ensure that the organization is accomplishing its goals.
2. Knowledge-based	Governors are expected to be knowledgeable of the structure and policies of ASME. Governors are expected to arrive at each meeting having completed the necessary preparations for the business to be transacted. Decisions made by the Board of Governors should flow from a knowledge-based process.
3. Ethics and integrity	Governors are expected to act with honesty and integrity, making decisions that are in the best interests of ASME.
4. Commitment	Governors are expected to attend every meeting and to faithfully discharge their fiduciary duties and responsibilities. In the unlikely event of a family or work conflict, governors should make every effort to utilize a teleconference connection in order to be present electronically if possible.
5. Respect and professionalism	In all of their activities, governors should act in a respectful professional manner toward their fellow governors, the members, and the staff.
6. Free from bias	Governors are elected by the membership to serve the society as a whole and thus do not represent a particular segment of the society. Governors are expected to disclose any potential conflicts of interest and excuse themselves from discussions and voting should a potential conflict of interest arise.
7. Collaboration and unity	The board should engage in a process whereby every governor has the opportunity to be heard and whereby every opinion is respected. When a decision is finally reached, each governor should support the decision of the board regardless of how they voted as individuals. Governors should work together for the success of the organization.
8. Communications and confidentiality	Governors should be effective communicators. They must first be good listeners and then have open and honest communications with their fellow governors, with ASME sector leaders, staff, and members. Governors are expected to keep confidential those items discussed in executive sessions.
9. Cultural sensitivity	Because we aspire to become a global organization, governors must be sensitive to the cultural differences in those places where ASME members live and work.
10. Fun	Recognizing that laughter and good humor bring us closer and blur the line between work and fun, the governors are committed to operating in a collegial environment that enables friendships and a spirit of constructive cooperation.