

LEADERSHIP RECALL INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

Past President, Baltimore Chapter 2006-2007

1. Would you give a brief biographical sketch of your life? (Place and date of birth, family size, early schooling, higher education, employment background outside of the HVAC industry, current family)
*Born in Baltimore, 1966.
Undergrad - Mechanical Engineering University of Maryland, Grad School – MBA Loyola.*
2. What attracted you to engineering and the HVAC industry?
Liked construction projects, utilized my BSME degree with-in the construction industry.
3. What was your first job in the HVAC industry and where did it lead?
1984 Gipe Associates as a hand drafter summer after high school, exposed me to the industry. Gave me insight on what type of engineer to pressure in college.
4. Describe the industry at the time. What were the challenges that you and your colleagues were facing?
No CADD, all hand drafting. The challenge was a to keep schedules, a slower process.
5. How and when did you get started in ASHRAE?
Attended an ASHRAE meeting in 1990. When I started working full time in the HVAC industry.
6. What was your ASHRAE chapter, regional and Society experience?
*Membership Committee – 3 years
BOG Chairs and President
Regional - CRC 2012 Committee*
7. What were the major issues facing ASHRAE during your presidency or your time serving in subsequent positions?
*Trying to increase meeting attendance and increase membership
Trying to go electronic, established PP presentations in meetings, began emailing newsletter.*
8. What were your presidential theme/goals?
Increase meeting attendance.
9. What significant motions/actions did you execute during your term or your time serving in subsequent positions?
Went electronic, established PP presentations in meetings, began emailing newsletter.

10. What do you consider to be the major accomplishments during your term or your time serving in subsequent positions?

Went electronic, established PP presentations in meetings, began emailing newsletter. Successfully increase meeting attendance.

11. Did any humorous events take place during your term or your time serving in subsequent positions?

Well, some speakers would be late, not show or go long. At one meeting we had a speaker that needed an old slide show carousel, as the guests were enjoying dinner, the venue scrambled to find this older machine. Success, we got it hand and set-up without too many people noticing.

12. Are there any things that you wish you could have done differently?

No, we had a lot to do, and kept the organization a float. Proud of that.

13. What events have changed ASHRAE since your presidency or since you started in ASHRAE?

Yearly, product show has evolved, different venues, etc.

14. What events have changed the industry since your presidency or since you started in ASHRAE?

Our Regional conference (CRC 2012), was held in mid-town in lieu of the typical water front. Attendees were pleased with the conference.

15. What has ASHRAE meant to you personally?

Personal growth, giving back to the industry community, very proud of our efforts.

16. What advice would you give to a young person entering the HVAC field?

Engage in ASHRAE, you will meet career long friends and colleges.

17. What other interests and/or hobbies do you have?

Enjoy live music events, saw U2 in the front row.

18. Are there any other comments that you would like to make?

Dinner meetings remain well attended, but not many senior personnel participate. Increase attendance of all levels of members, if possible. You do not want to lose the chapter history.