

## Report of the Secretary for 2006

*Annual Meetings.* The next annual meeting will be held in New Orleans, LA, January 4–6, 2008. Placement Service will open for business one day earlier than the meetings. The schedule for subsequent meetings is: San Francisco (2009), Atlanta (2010), Denver (2011), Chicago (2012), and San Diego (2013).

*Elections.* In accordance with the bylaws on election procedures, I hereby certify the results of the recent balloting and report the actions of the Nominating Committee and the Electoral College.

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Peter Diamond (Chair), Guillermo Calvo, Angus Deaton, Timor Kuran, Steven Levitt, Ellen McGrattan, Suzanne Scotchmer, and Robert Shiller, submitted the nominations for Vice-Presidents and members of the Executive Committee. The Electoral College, consisting of the Nominating Committee and Executive Committee meeting together, selected the nominee for President-elect. No petitions were received nominating additional candidates.

*President-elect*  
Avinash Dixit

<i>Vice-President</i>	<i>Executive Committee</i>
Rebecca Blank	Anne Case
Eric Maskin	David Laibson
Kenneth Rogoff	Joel Mokyr
Kenneth Sokoloff	David Romer

The Secretary prepared biographical sketches of the candidates and distributed ballots in August. On the basis of the canvass of ballots, I certify that the following persons have been duly elected to the respective offices:

*President-elect* (for a term of one year)  
Avinash Dixit

*Vice Presidents* (for a term of one year)  
Rebecca Blank  
Kenneth Rogoff

*Executive Committee* (for a term of three years)  
Anne Case  
David Romer

In addition, I have the following information:

Number of valid ballots	2,940
Number of invalid envelopes	66
Number received after deadline	35
Number of envelopes received	3,041

In April 2006, the Executive Committee voted to start four aggregated field journals, each published in four issues per year, organized roughly like the *American Economic Review*. The new journals will each publish articles in a group of subfields with loose boundaries. The new journals are not to be subsidiary journals to the *AER*, but rather collected field journals. Each is of equal status, and all four will begin publishing at the same time (probably early 2009). The new journals will be named: (a) *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*; (b) *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*; (c) *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*; and (d) *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*.

Each of the four new journals will accept articles in theory, empirical economics, and policy. *AEJ: Macroeconomics* will include primarily: macroeconomics; monetary economics; international finance; aggregate aspects of development; economic growth; finance; and comparative economic systems. *AEJ: Microeconomics* will include primarily: microeconomic theory; corporate finance; industrial organization; and micro theory aspects of international economics and economic development. *AEJ: Economic Policy* will include primarily: public economics; urban and regional economics; public policy aspects of health, education, and welfare; law and economics; economic regulation; and environmental and natural resource economics. *AEJ: Applied Economics* will include primarily: labor; demography; empirical micro development; and health, education, and welfare economics. Certain subjects are suitable for each of the four journals, depending on the specific application, including but not limited to: history of economic thought, economic history, behavioral economics, experimental economics, and the teaching of economics.

Search committees for the general editor of each new journal reported to the Executive Committee on January 4, 2007. Per the Association's Bylaws, the general editors of the new journals will be nonvoting members of the Executive Committee.

*Membership.* The total number of members and subscribers is shown in Table 1.

*Staff.* My primary responsibility is to retain our loyal, gracious, and efficient staff in the Nashville office. I am indebted to them for helping make my job as easy as it is. They are: Bonita Anderson, Barbara Fiser, Linda Hardin, Marlene Hight, Susan Houston, Ellen Lee, Edda Leithner, Gwyn Loftis, Julia Merry, and Violet Sikes.

TABLE 1—MEMBERS AND SUBSCRIBERS  
(End of November)

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Class of membership					
Regular	16,058	16,625	16,197	15,697	15,629
Junior	1,674	1,939	1,843	1,518	1,327
Life	267	265	246	234	234
Family	312	343	333	318	302
Total paid members	18,311	19,172	18,619	17,767	17,487
Honorary	41	41	38	38	37
Complimentary	261	249	251	262	287
Total members	18,613	19,461	18,908	18,067	17,811
Subscribers	4,721	4,482	4,328	4,234	3,945
Total members and subscribers	23,334	23,943	23,236	22,301	21,756

#### AEA COMMITTEES 2006

##### *Ad Hoc Committee on Job Market*

Alvin E. Roth, Chair  
John H. Cawley  
Phillip B. Levine  
John J. Siegfried

##### *Ad Hoc Committee on Journals*

Robert E. Hall, Chair  
Judith A. Chevalier  
David C. Colander  
Peter Diamond  
Alan B. Krueger  
Daniel L. Rubinfeld

##### *Audit Committee*

Janet C. Currie (2006), Chair  
Judith A. Chevalier (2007)  
Susan M. Collins (2008)

##### *Advisory Committee on Editorial Appointments*

Olivia S. Mitchell (2007), Chair  
Maurice Obstfeld (2006)

Alan B. Krueger (2008)  
Lawrence F. Katz (2009)

##### *Budget and Finance Committee*

John J. Siegfried, Chair, ex officio  
George A. Akerlof (2006)  
Thomas J. Sargent (2007)  
Janet C. Currie (2006)  
Judith A. Chevalier (2007)  
Susan M. Collins (2008)

##### *Census Advisory Committee*

Judith Hellerstein (2006)  
Austan Goolsbee (2006)  
Shane M. Greenstein (2006)  
Mark J. Roberts (2006)  
Robert A. Moffitt (2006)  
Thomas J. Holmes (2007)  
Erica Groshen (2008)  
Duncan H. Meldrum (2008)  
David E. Mills (2008)

##### *COSSA-Liaison Committee*

Sidney G. Winter (2007), Chair

Irwin Feller (2007)  
Roy Radner (2006)

*Committee on Economic Education*

Michael Watts (2008), Chair  
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Rae Jean Goodman (2006)  
Michael Salemi (2006)  
David C. Colander (2007)  
Wendy A. Stock (2007)  
Ken Elzinga (2007)  
Paul Romer (2008)  
William Greene (2008)  
William E. Becker, Jr., ex officio

*Committee on Economic Statistics*

Katharine Abraham (2006), Chair  
Brent R. Moulton (2006)  
Robert J. Willis (2006)  
Dale W. Jorgenson (2007)  
William D. Nordhaus (2007)  
Jack E. Triplett (2007)  
Matthew Shapiro (2007)  
Charles Schultze (2008)  
Barbara Fraumeni (2008)

*Committee on Electronic Publishing*

David C. Colander (2007), Chair  
Bruce R. Kingma (2007)  
Ted Bergstrom (2008)  
John Irons (2008)  
Roger H. Gordon, ex officio  
Dru Ekwurzel, ex officio

*Committee on Honors and Awards* (7 members;  
6-year terms)

James M. Poterba (2009), Chair  
David K. Levine (2007)  
Andrew Postlewaite (2007)  
Christina D. Romer (2009)  
Charles Manski (2010)  
B. Douglas Bernheim (2011)  
Narayana Kocherlakota (2012)

*Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in  
the Economics Profession*

Cecilia Rouse (2008), Chair  
Ngina S. Chiteji (2006)  
Juliet Elu (2006)  
Peter B. Henry (2006)  
Susan M. Collins (2008)

Gary A. Dymski (2008)  
Janice Shack-Marquez (2008)  
Sue Stockly (2008)

*Committee on the Status of Women in the  
Economics Profession*

Lisa Lynch (2008), Chair  
Rachel Croson (2006)  
Lori Kletzer (2006)  
Sharon M. Oster (2006)  
Ann L. Owen (2006)  
Katharine G. Abraham (2007)  
Gail Hoyt (2007)  
Nancy L. Rose (2007)  
Donna Ginther (2008)  
Karen Moe (2008)  
Richard Startz (2008)  
Anna Paulson (2008)  
George A. Akerlof, ex officio  
Joan G. Haworth, Membership Secretary

*2006 Nominating Committee*

Peter Diamond, Chair  
Angus S. Deaton  
Steven D. Levitt  
Timor Kuran  
Ellen R. McGrattan  
Robert J. Shiller  
Guillermo Calvo  
Suzanne Scotchmer

*2007 Nominating Committee*

Martin Feldstein, Chair  
Andrew Abel  
David Backus  
Janet C. Currie  
Oliver Hart  
George Mailath  
Ellen R. McGrattan  
Robert Porter

*Search Committee for Editor of American  
Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*

Robert E. Hall, Chair  
Ricardo Caballero  
Susan M. Collins  
Elhanan Helpman  
Anil Kashyap  
Christina D. Romer

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Judith A. Chevalier  
Oliver Hart  
Preston McAfee  
Emmanuel Saez

Dennis Epple  
Austan Goolsbee  
Alan B. Krueger  
Olivia S. Mitchell

*Search Committee for Editor of American  
Economic Journal: Economic Policy*

John Quigley, Chair  
David Cutler

*Search Committee for Editor of American  
Economic Journal: Applied Economics*

Rebecca Blank, Chair  
Anne C. Case  
Mark Duggan  
Joseph Altonji  
Janet C. Currie  
Lawrence F. Katz

COUNCIL AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES

*American Association for the Advancement of  
Science, Sec. K, Social, Economic, and Political  
Sciences*

Richard B. Freeman (2006)

*Council of Professional Associations on Federal  
Statistics (COPAFS)*

Charles R. Hulten (2006)  
Jack E. Triplett (2007)

*American Council of Learned Societies*

John J. Siegfried, Council of Administrative  
Officers, ex officio  
Charlotte V. Kuh, Delegate (2006)

*International Economic Association*  
Jonathan Eaton (2007)

*Journal of Consumer Research*  
Jeff J. Inman (2007)

*Consortium of Social Science Associations  
(COSSA)*

John J. Siegfried, ex officio  
Sidney G. Winter (2007)

*National Bureau of Economic Research*  
John J. Siegfried (2008)

*Social Science Research Council*  
Barry J. Eichengreen (2008)

JOHN J. SIEGFRIED, *Secretary*