

**IEEE Seattle Section  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Tuesday, Nov 13, 2007  
**Time:** 6 - 8 p.m.  
**Place:** Overlake Round Table Pizza, Redmond

**Attendees:** Aziel Epilepsia (UW), Bob Higgins (Computer Secy), Curtis Lu (membership), Andrew Rees (Chair), Erik Godo (Secretary), Maury Miller (PACE), Dave Butcher (PSEC), Andrew Liong (Computer), Mike Becker (Computer), Max Emrick (PE), Joe DeCuir (Vice Chair), Mithun Banerjee (GOLD), Erling Hesla (Indust App), Rafael Pinedo (Seattle U), Steve Allen (Future Cities), Jack Glover (Green Buildings conf) – **may be missing people**

**Meeting Minutes Approval**

- Minutes for the Oct meeting were approved

**Chair's Report** – Andrew Rees

- Bylaws: Half way through appendix.
- New officer elections.
- Action item for Joe – new committee chairs
- PEL re-instated
- December meeting – Today in Redmond. Joe will arrange Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, about 20 people
- Control and Robotics symposium requesting for us to distribute call for papers in Vancouver, BC. Was to be sent to our distribution but dropped since it is in Ontario.

**Vice Chair's Report** – Joe Decuir

- Banquet, attendance 60, had 4 student chapters show up
- Polo shirts – ordered 44.
- Ship remainder that were pre-ordered. Took orders at senior meeting. Are at 16-18, min order is 24. Joe has a lot of logistics work.
- Student chapters - UW has a new bunch of officers. Mamishev is ill. Was there last winter. Will be back in January. Al Moser still faculty advisor for SU, they also have new officers. DeVry has new officers. Want a visit in December. WWU has new officers. Russ Kinley is the new chair. Tom Brady is still the faculty advisor, but not active. There is a new faculty – could re-arrange advisor. ITT Everett has >100 students. Gave talk to dozen in October. Chances of organizing a group between now and June would be pretty good.
- Paper contests – use international or region 6 rules. Can we get region 6 to change their rules? Joe will work on it. Answer is no. Andrew said that it was not well advertised. Getting them to use other IEEE resources plus into the paper contests. Joe wants at least one entrant from each of the 6 student chapters. Need advisors to push it. Schedule for paper is off of senior project papers. Papers out of Alaska were internship/work related. Talked about length of paper.
- Is there a link on the section site? Steve will put one.
- Joe will draft the announcement/content and get approved by next meeting.
- Joe will compare the rules to see what differences there are.
- UWB Vancouver won the bid, they want to work with everyone (our section).

**Secretary's Report** – Erik Godo

- AESS – move to put money in the pot. Could be generous to that chapter.
- SAMIEEE training. Web on demand is good.
- Did not send out request for awards chair
- Did sign up Aziel Epilepsia for CAS chair

**PACE Report** – Maury Miller (by e-mail)

- My report is fairly short. I attended the innovation inspire seminar this weekend. At the conference, I met several high school science teachers. With the teachers, we did several hands on engineering projects. I was also introduced to the tryengineering website.
- In January, I will have a planning meeting for upcoming congressional visits.
- We will create a line item for legislative budget in our budget

#### **Membership - Curtis Lu**

- Senior membership drive. Got 62 attendees, sent in 52 applications. Next year want to do elevation recognition like other sections. Probably about 75 senior members total. Many companies were represented, plus small companies. Spent about \$200.

#### **GOLD – Mithun Banerjee**

- Still looking for Gold chair for next year – need to add an announcement for volunteers.
- Plans to contact people and get them involved. Will be a December event.

#### **Chapter Reports:**

##### **Computer Society – Andrew Liang**

- We did formal methods and had 60 people attending
- Planning for next years presentation – multiple core, looking for good topics which combine hardware and software
- Working with communication society for wireless.
- November 29<sup>th</sup> is Systems talk at Bellevue library

##### **Power Engineering – Max Emrick**

- PE-31, Power Engineering Society is continuing to work in three areas: Regular Evening Meetings and planning meeting for NWESS Feb. 21 & 22 - 2008 and PSCE - 2009.
- Regular Meetings: There were 5 IEEE PES sponsored education and training meetings in October.
  - Oct. 3, UW EE500 Series Lecture, Scott Amsden, Tacoma Public Utilities, Tacoma Tidal Power Project
  - Oct. 17, UW EE500 Series Lecture, Jason Zyskowski, Snohomish Public Utilities District, Snohomish County PUD Response to the December 2006 Wind Storm.
  - Oct. 24, UW EE500 Series Lecture, Dorothy Reed, UW Civ E, Hurricane Katrina Infrastructure Recovery
  - October 25, Regular Evening meeting, "The History of Silicone Injection and Strategies for Stretching Your Cable Reliability Budget, Speaker, Rich Brinton". This meeting was not well attended. There was no advertising the week of the event and that may have been the reason.
  - Oct. 31, UW EE500 Series Lecture, Tom Sloane, John Duffy, PACCAR/Kenworth, PACCAR Hybrid Trucks and Energy-Saving Technologies on Kenworth Trucks
    - The EE500 series is put on at the UW, sponsored by the UW and IEEE and is attended primarily by students with 3-10 local engineers depending on the topic
- Planning Meetings
  - We are continuing to work on an education conference to be held at the University of Washington Feb. 21&22 in 2008. Recent activity has been the conference is now 100% sponsored by IEEE and has a concentrated banking account. The treasurer for this event is Rich Christie from the UW. We are working on speakers. We expect around 75 - 100 participants. Registration will be approximately \$175 - \$200 per person. There are about 10 local IEEE (engineers, consultants and professors) members actively working on the planning for this conference. Our next meeting is November 27th.

- We are the local organizing for the Power System Conference and Exposition, PSCE to be held March 15 - 19, 2009 at the Washington State Convention and Trade Center. The attendance at this meeting is estimated to be 1500. We are meeting every two months in 2007 and will begin to meet monthly in 2008. Recent activity has been the opening of a concentrated banking account with IEEE National to support our activities. We are working on volunteers, companion and technical tours, sponsor, etc. for the event. The next meeting is November 15th. Key activities are to obtain some sponsorships and develop a theme for the conference. There are approximately 15 local IEEE members(students, engineers, consultants and professors) working on this conference. Out next meeting is November 15th.

#### **Industrial applications – Erling Hesla**

- Going to do one joint with Power Engineering
- Want tutorials on color books. Proposal to create tutorial.
- Generally agreed we should do it. National will take it over.
- Talked about creating one DVD so that he can pitch it.
- We want to have a long term view of how to handle this.
- Motion to put cost at not to exceed \$1000, unanimous

#### **Student Chapters:**

##### **Seattle U – Rafael Pinedo**

- Two meetings a month, teach something in the website in 5 minutes.
- Also once a month we celebrate the member birthdays
- Next Thursday – Sara Manson speech on the first month on the job (via IEEE networking).
- Several went to the Computer Society formal methods talk.
- Jointly meeting with SWE to pay for food
- Proposal to increase annual budget to \$1000. SU is doing a lot of activities. Request is to up this for this year. Direction was to tell what they are going to do with the money. Most of the student chapters do not spend the money. Just for 2008 with no justification. Curtis talked about budget and justification for over \$500. Helps pay for officers to attend EXCOM. Comment was made that we definitely hope to see many papers from SU this year.

##### **Future Cities – Steve Allen**

- 28 schools this year, \$1500 from IEEE.
- Volunteers are posted on website so we need to get notices there. Secretary needs to make sure they go out in the datalink.

#### **Old Business: none**

#### **New Business: Green Building Conference**

- Jack Glover - ASHRAE green building design conference.
- Address AIA50 challenge to reduce energy use by 50%. Looking for some level of participation from IEEE. Utility companies are part of this.
- Approx 300 people last year – hoping for 300-400 people. March 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> at SU. Asking what level of interest IEEE would have.
- Like to see financial partnership – made profit last year. Volunteers also. Sparling also donated some money.
- What info would we like to see?
- One of the tracks is overall building controls.
- Talked about going to PSEC to get more folks, other societies.
- Put notice on our web site.
- Talked about discounts to our members if we participate.
- IAS and PE are interested

**New Business: NI meeting**

- National Instruments advertising on web site – suggestion was made to work with IEEE. Offering \$750 booth for IEEE. December 6<sup>th</sup>. No interest, we will drop.

**New Business:Southwest Section**

- Some people interested in starting Southwest Washington section – Longview/Kelso etc. We will direct them to the proper place to set that up.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Submitted by Erik Godo