

Albuquerque Section IEEE Meeting

- Time and Date: 11:30AM, Tuesday September 24th, 2019
- Meeting Place: Gianni's Mediterranean Restaurant & OPA,
3109 Central Avenue Southeast, 87106
- Members in Attendance (8):
 - Jason Neely – Chair
 - Harjit Ahluwalia – Sigma Xi,
Life Member Vice Chair
 - Gilberto Zamora – Treasurer
 - Lee Rashkin – Secretary
 - Mike Jackovich – Member
 - Skyler Nix – Member
 - Khandakar Nusrat – Member
 - Lee Gill – Member
- Guests in Attendance (1):
 - Kylie Katalinich
- Lee –Secretary
 - Minutes were reviewed, amended and then accepted
 - Outstanding Action Items were discussed
- Discussion:
 - Treasurer Report – Gilberto
 - August ending balance was discussed
 - September current balance was discussed
 - Funding request call went out
 - Sent to Jane Lehr for UNM, but she might not be the correct POC
 - Pending check to George Schmitt for Sigma Xi talk
 - Upcoming events:
 - Southwest Area Meeting
 - Lee R. will represent
 - Working on slide deck
 - Include obstacles/requests: NMSU, milestone, etc.
 - Pull up minutes for last 5-6 meetings
 - Membership
 - Incentivize more
 - Member discounts at conferences, especially for senior members
 - Incentivize membership drives
 - View of our membership challenges
 - Richard Moore should be contacted if we want to add to agenda
 - Young Professionals – Skyler
 - First event pushed to October
 - IEEE day events planned?
 - Not this year
 - Intersociety group – Mike
 - Questions answered

- More Acknowledgement – No problem
 - Distribution list – IEEE/Sigma Xi list is much larger, they have ~40 individuals
 - \$5 chip in for meetings – No, they feel it will discourage participation
 - 3 equal installments – No problem
 - Attendance – 2-3 IEEE members are showing up at their meetings, but no members of other societies showed up at the last Sigma Xi talk
- Mike proposes – pay 1/3 for this year and start keeping better attendance record to assist making decision next year
 - Seconded and approved
- Annual Banquet
 - May 18th
 - Mike has been in contact with representative of the New Mexico Spaceport
 - CEO of Spaceport as possible speaker
 - Abstract – TBD – history and goals of the spaceport suggested
 - Harjit wants to wait for the abstract
 - Wants sufficiently different talk from the one 2 years ago
 - Ray was going to contact Governor with the Provost as a back-up
 - Harjit will make commitment with the Sheraton
- Sigma Xi – Harjit
 - Next talk
 - Speaker: Mark McCormick - UNM
 - Subject: Who wants to live forever? Recent work toward delaying biological aging
 - Expecting large attendance
 - Will post announcement to website
 - Harjit: Support from IEEE/Sigma Xi for large monitor?
 - Cost?
 - Is there precedent?
 - Might be difficult to explain/defend
- Women in Engineering – Nusrat
 - Received email from HQ about lack on meetings/reporting
 - Given due date of September 30
 - Active for less than a year
 - Jason will contact
 - Nusrat has been contacting potential members
 - Has a vice-chair
 - Still needs secretary and treasurer
 - Think about potential events

- Strategic retention and recruitment of women into engineering fields
 - Hy might be able to help
 - Nusrat has registered for conference and scheduled hotel and travel
- Solar Splash
 - Project created for making project to merge clear sky modelling and weather measurement to calculate optimal power dispatch
 - 2 students to share with another Solar Splash project
 - Effort to attract new schools
 - 400+ emails have been sent
- Membership promotions
 - Katherine Roadhouse has been submitted
- Collected \$40 on bill