

**Minutes of the October 5, 2010 Mining Industry Committee (MIC) Meeting
(Magnolia Room, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Houston, TX)**

1. Galina Mirzaeva called the meeting to order at approximately 6:05PM. She welcomed new committee members and thanked the current members for attending the meeting.
2. The minutes of the October 6, 2009 MIC meeting were reviewed and approved (motion: J.Sammarco, second: R.Betz).
3. Paper Review Committee Report: John Sammarco (for Joe Sottile) presented the paper review report for the 2010 Annual Meeting (Attachment 1). The main points of the report were:
 - a. Scholar One was used this year that proved a very helpful administrative tool.
 - b. It is imperative that MIC members be more responsive to paper review requests.
 - c. A total of 11 papers are scheduled to be presented at 2010 IAS Annual Meeting. 6 papers have a sufficient number of reviews to make a decision and 5 papers are still waiting for reviewers to respond to the review request.
4. Galina Mirzaeva gave a brief summary of the MIC Technical Sessions. A total of 11 papers are planned for presentation at two technical sessions. Jorge Pontt gave a report on the first technical session, entitled *Mining Safety, Instrumentation and Efficiency*. It was conducted at the Tuesday afternoon and had 6 presentations. The second technical session, entitled *Mining Machines, Drives and Processes*, is scheduled for Wednesday morning and has 5 papers scheduled for presentation.
5. Galina Mirzaeva gave brief information on the IAS-2011 that will take place in Orlando (FL), 9-13 October 2011. Submission rules will be changed and full draft papers will be required (rather than abstracts) by 1 March 2011.
6. Galina Mirzaeva explained the election issue: after two years of service as MIC Chair she moves to Past Chair role, the current Vice Chair (Thomas Novak) becomes the MIC Chair, and there is a need to elect the new Vice Chair. Two candidates were proposed: Eduardo Wiechmann (by J.Sammarco) and J.Sammarco (by G.Mirzaeva). Voting needs to be organized.
7. Discussion mainly concentrated on point 3: Pros and cons of staying with IAS Conference rather than ECCE, and how to make it work better for MIC. The following main points were discussed:
 - a. Joy Mazumdar noted that at IAS2010 MIC has had 11 papers, out of which - 1 paper from industry. To have full sessions and attract more industry papers an action should be taken, such as: send Call for Papers directly to potential authors from industry.
 - b. Jorge Pontt suggested that it would be beneficial to have sessions on special topics, such as "Catastrophic Events in Mining", or "Mining Goes Green".
 - c. P.K.Sen noted that a Panel session may be a good idea as well, where people from industry, government and academia would be able to discuss topics of interest.

- d. Dave Durocher noted that it is important not to miss the opportunity for the Plenary Session presentation next year. He also noted that holding a conference on Mining Related Technology (only) is possible.
 - e. John Roach expressed the viewpoint of engineers from industry: ECCE is generally considered to be “for academics”, and IAS – “for industry”. Attractive topics, such as an overview of cycloconverter technology, and tutorials on relevant technologies, would attract industry representatives.
8. Adjournment: approximately 7:15 PM.

Attachment 1



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TO: Mining Industry Committee
SUBJECT: IEEE IAS MIC Paper Review Chair Report

Overview of Paper Review Process

Beginning with the 2008 IAS Annual Meeting, the Industry Applications Society has been using Scholar One (fka Manuscript Central) for conducting paper reviews for publication in Transactions on Industry Applications and the IAS Magazine. There has been, and still is, a learning curve with Scholar One; however, its use has greatly enhanced the paper review process. For instance, reviews of papers can begin once they have been submitted and accepted for the conference. It is important to note that the IAS still maintains its presentation policy; consequently, papers that have been approved for publication must still be presented at the IAS Annual Meeting to be published in Transactions on Industry Applications.

Status of 2009 IAS Conference Papers

A total of 14 papers were scheduled to be presented at 2009 IAS Annual Meeting. All of the papers have been reviewed for publication in Transactions with the following decisions:

- Three papers were approved with no changes required.
- Five papers required changes before a final decision could be made
 - The option for making the changes has expired for three papers
 - The option for making the changes is pending for two papers
 - One paper has been modified and approved by the MIC
- Six papers have not been approved by the MIC

Attachment 1

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Sottile