

IEEE Malabar Subsection -2016
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting #1 held
at EED Seminar Hall, NIT Calicut. On January 30, 2016.

Members Present

1. Dr. Lillykutty Jacob (Chair)
2. Dr. A Gopakumar (Vice-Chair)
3. Dr. Rijil Ramchand (Secretary)
4. Mr. Niranjana (Treasurer)
5. Prof. Mohandas K P
6. Dr. Abraham T Mathew
7. Mr. Sasi P M (Representative from IEEE Kerala Section)
8. Mr. Sandeep V
9. Mr. Giles M P
10. Mr. Nandakumar R
11. Mr. Sreevas Sahasranamam
12. Mr. Ashwin Raj (HUB representative)
13. Dr. Leesha Paul (SB Counsellor, NSSCE)
14. Dr. Ansar S. M. (SB Counsellor, MESCE)

The meeting commenced at 10:30 AM with Dr. Lillykutty Jacob on chair

Decisions Taken

1. Chair reported that the MSS will have to host the next EXECOM of Kerala section most probably in March 2016 and Institutions from Malappuram, Kannur, Kasarkode, or Wayanad can be the possible venues for the meeting. MES College of Engineering Kuttippuram has tentatively agreed to host this meeting. Tentative date is suggested as 12th March 2016, which is to be confirmed during the KS EXECOM on 7th February 2016.
2. The EXECOM examined the recommendations from Industrial Relations and Student Activities Chairs to honour the best student volunteers of 2015. The nominations were approved, and it was decided to honour the recipients during the upcoming SB counsellors & Chairs meet. The awards committee headed by Prof.. Mohandas K P is entrusted to decide the categories of awards for 2016 and the committee would formally invite nominations for awards this year.
3. Industrial Relations Committee (IRC) proposed to start the INNOTECH series of lectures for the year 2016 from the month of February/March and to revamp the panel of expert speakers. IRC urged all EXECOM members to help in increasing the number of speakers. IRC also suggested that they are planning to organize INNOTECH lecture series in 5 to 6 Engineering Colleges where IEEE SB is inactive or not present with financial support from MSS. The IR team with the help of Mr. Niranjana will interact with the local industries and industrial associations to come up with MoU without financial commitment for long term associations. The effort is expected to culminate in an industry association meet on the Industry Day to be held in October.
4. To enhance the educational activities and professional activities, it is decided to nominate a team of volunteers to assist the respective chairs Dr. M Perumal Pillai and Dr. Abraham T Mathew. The district representatives in the executive committee themselves or a nominated

- volunteer should synchronize with the chairs to boost up the activities in their districts.
5. As part of the professional activities, Dr. K. P. Mohandas proposed to create a platform for providing low cost solar lighting solutions in needy rural households. Dr. Leesha Paul reported a case of Solar Lamp requirement in an adivasi colony in Palakkad District. Mr. P M Sasi pointed out that there are funds available for such humanitarian activities and it can be explored by giving a proposal to the Kerala section. And also to seek support from ANERT and EMC Kerala.
 6. Mr. Sasi P M, stressed the importance of focussing on student & young professional activities and Industrial relations activities during the coming year to sustain the growth of IEEE Malabar Subsection.
 7. Mr. Nandakumar reported that the memberships under the subsection are falling drastically. The committee nominated Mr. Nandakumar and Mr. Ashwin Raj to assist the membership development activity chair Mr. Bedeeuzman. They are requested to arrange promotional talks at colleges under malabar subsection to improve membership and/or establish student branches. Also, it is decided to encourage the final year students to continue their memberships as young professional membership after graduation.
 8. Training sessions on Energy Management and solar lighting were proposed as part of the professional activities this year. Other major activities proposed for 2016 are the Malabar Hub SB counsellors & Chairs meet, the RoadMap to Engineering Education for Plus two students, Career Guidance for pre-final & final year Engineering students, 4D Ultrasound training programme, and Industry Day celebration.
 9. Mr. Aswhin Raj said about the need for better coordination between IEEE student and professional wings of Malabar. The committee decided to include all HUB committee members as invitees to executive committee meetings. It is also decided that the SB counsellors and SB chairs of all Engineering Colleges under MSS will be invitees for EXECOM meetings.
 10. Mr. Nandakumar reported that Mr. Shahim Baker, Chair, Young Professional Society of Kerala Section asked to nominate one Young Professional from Malabar subsection to his team. It is decided to nominate Mr. Sreevas into his team.
 11. The committee congratulated Dr. Lillykutty Jacob who received the prestigious Prof. K M Bahauddin Award 2016 for Distinguished Engineering Teacher of Kerala.

The meeting ended at 11:30 AM