Minutes

Present:
Guests: Sohrab Asgarpoor, Tom Baldwin, Shelli Starrett, Hongbo Sun, Dan Tylavsky, Le Xie, Xiao-Ping Zhang.

1. Meeting started at 4:30 pm with introduction of attendees.
2. Announcements: Winner of election for PEEC Secretary is Siddharth Suryanarayanan
3. Plans for GM 14:
   • Panel Sessions - The slots assigned to each committee for panels are decided by the TC. Proposed Panel Sessions for GM 2014 are:
     1. Existing and Proposed Power System Laboratories for the Undergraduate Curriculum: B. Chowdhury
     2. Global Experiences in Attracting Quality Undergraduates in University Power Engineering Programs through Innovative Approaches: S. Islam
   • Brian will send out paper review requests for GM 2014. Acceptance rate is going to be 50%, so reviews need to be detailed to facilitate informed decisions.
4. State of Power and Energy Programs – Enrollment, funding, faculty openings, jobs, etc.
   • Enrollments are very satisfying at all universities. Universities that reported new hires in Power area are University of Illinois, Florida State, Missouri Science and Technology, Wichita State, and University of Denver. Universities looking for or
planning new hires in Power area are University of Idaho, Washington State, Florida State, Missouri Science and Technology, Northeastern, Clemson, University of Nevada-Reno, and Kansas State.

5. Old Business
   • Status of PEEC Survey on Education Resources:
     Working group has revised the survey questions based on comments received in the past, and their own experiences. The aim is to create a more user-friendly survey on a new platform hosted on the PES web site. Next phase is to work with the software vendor to implement the survey. Fine-tuning may be required at that time. Dennis Ray, Sukumar Brahma, and Henry Louie will take the proposed revisions to final implementation.

6. New Business
   • Smart Grid Course certification:
     Perfect Power Institute in Chicago has an objective to certify designers of smart grid. They have a one-day course accompanied by a test to certify an associate smart grid designer. Perfect Power Institute wants IEEE PES to be involved in creating a 5-day course to certify professional smart grid designers. Anyone interested in creating such course should let Pete Sauer know.
   • MOOCS and their impact on power systems education:
     Some discussion about MOOC took place. UIUC and TAMU expressed interest in creating MOOCs. Issue of possibility of cheating was raised. However, since MOOCs do not currently lead to any degrees, they were more looked upon as help for professors, rather than competition.
   • PEEC membership
     Three continuous absences would revoke membership, until the person attends again.

7. Adjourn at 7 pm (included a Pizza break).