

## IEEE Winnipeg Section Meeting Minutes – February 21, 2012

University of Manitoba Engineering Information Technology Complex (EITC) - E2 - 361, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, 5:30 PM

Attendance: Witold Kinsner, Evan Thompson, Sherif Sherif, Gert Martens, Dave Kemp, Jordan Hiebert, Vajira Pathirana, Puyan Mojabi, Mohammad Aboofazeli

## **CALLED TO ORDER at 17:35**

- 1. Approve agenda (WK/ET) Carried
- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the December 9, 2011 meeting (WK/JH)
- 3. Chair Report
  - a. Standing Committee nominations will be discussed with Shaahin Filizadeh and Witold Kinsner
- 4. Treasurer Report TABLED
- 5. Secretary Report
  - a. Because of human error, the e-notice for the February meeting went out the day before the meeting
  - b. Future meetings tentatively set for the second Thursday of the month at 5:30pm
- 6. Reports
  - a. Computer and Computational Intelligence
    - i. Five events were held in January
    - ii. Three events are scheduled to occur in March
  - b. EMBS
    - i. Chapter is active
    - ii. Greater effort will be put toward linking events to IEEE
    - iii. Biomedical Seminar for high school students to occur on February 23
  - c. EduManCom
    - i. Chapter is active
    - ii. Ken Ferens recently hosted a large industry focus group to discuss university-industry relations.
  - d. PES
    - i. Monthly meetings continue
  - e. Newsletter
    - i. It was suggested that the Newsletter Coordinator position be expanded to Electronic Communication Coordinator
    - ii. An e-mail digest of Winnipeg Section activities could be sent out monthly
  - f. Waves
    - i. Two March meetings and one April meeting are planned
    - ii. Plans are in the works to support an upcoming robotics conference in France

- g. GOLD
  - i. GOLD AGM held in early February; new officers elected
- h. TISP
  - i. Plans underway for summer events
    - 1. July Space Camp
    - 2. June Canada Engineering Education event
- i. New Business
  - i. Bylaws
    - 1. Deferred to March meeting
  - ii. Investments
    - 1. The previous treasurer prepared a report on possible investment options
    - 2. Hilmi Turanli offered to investigate options at a previous meeting
    - 3. Discussion to resume at March meeting
  - iii. Chapter Reporting
    - 1. Waves and PES chapters will begin reporting financial information immediately
  - iv. 2012 Manitoba Robot Games
    - 1. In the past, Winnipeg Section provided the MB Robot Games with a prize
    - 2. MOTION: To provide Winnipeg GOLD with \$500 for awards to be presented at the 2012 Manitoba Robot Games subject to GOLD's adequate promotion of IEEE at the event (ET/WK) CARRIED.

**ADJOURNED at 18:50**