

IEEE Winnipeg Section Meeting Minutes – May 14, 2013

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

Attendance: Sam Kovnats (SK), Kathryn Marcynuk (KM), Nariman Sepheri (NS), Witold Kinsner (WK), Puyan Mojabi (PM), Dario Schor (DS), Jordan Hiebert (JH)

CALLED TO ORDER at 17:32

1. Approve agenda (JH/WK) – Carried
 - a. Add items
 - i. Capstone awards
 - ii. Ted Glass award
 - iii. GOLD/Section joint BBQ
 - iv. 50yr pins for Life members
 - v. Welcome to GOLD event
 - vi. Robotics Chapter
2. Approval of the Minutes of the April 9, 2013 meeting (WK/DS) – Carried
3. Chair Report – Tabled
4. Vice-Chair Report
 - a. PM, SK, WK and Dave Kemp attended the IEEE Canada Spring Meeting
 - i. WK will be running for IEE Canada President
5. Treasurer Report
 - a. PM met with SK and paperwork is almost complete for banking control. HT and SS must sign.
6. Secretary Report
 - a. Received e-mail from Lakehead requesting promotional materials and possibly representation from the IEEE Winnipeg Section for their upcoming summer transition orientation.
 - b. Discussion on the E-Notice system. E-notice messages are often treated as spam, is there a better way? WK will discuss ideas with SK.
7. Reports
 - a. Computer and Computational Intelligence
 - i. Seminar on Perception Based Computing held on May 2.
 - ii. Another event planned for later in the month.
 - b. EMBS
 - i. One event held in April.
 - c. EduManCom
 - i. No events in April.
 - ii. Industry Forum plans in the works
 - d. PES
 - i. Lunch seminar held on April 23 on the topic of Line Fault Detection Technology for HVDC Systems.
 - e. TISP
 - i. Workshop took place recently
 - ii. A student has been selected for the Kirkness Program for Aboriginal Students
 - iii. Plans are underway for the week long Space Camp in August

- f. WIE
 - i. KM is working to restore WIE to previous activity levels
 - g. GOLD
 - i. Upcoming event- Becoming a P.Eng.
 - ii. IEEE GOLD polo shirts are being ordered. Contact KM for info if interested.
 - iii. New Twitter account: @ieeegoldwpg
 - h. Newsletter
 - i. WK suggested that Capstone groups could submit content
 - ii. DS may be interested in submitting info on the TSAT project
 - i. Student Branch Reports
 - i. University of Manitoba
 - 1. Kiral Poon will update JH with recent events
8. New Business
- a. Capstone Awards
 - i. WK recalled that \$50 per person was given in the past
 - ii. Groups are now larger so the amounts may need to be reduced
 - iii. MOTION: for IEEE Winnipeg Section to contribute the Capstone Awards yearly in the following amounts until further notice: \$300 for first place, \$200 for second place, and \$150 for third place. (PM/DS) – Carried.
 - b. Ted Glass
 - i. MOTION: for IEEE Winnipeg Section to contribute \$300 for the Ted Glass award, assuming the award is presented. (DS/PM) – Carried.
 - c. BBQ
 - i. IEEE GOLD holds a BBQ every summer, plans are underway to hold it as a joint event with Winnipeg Section this year.
 - ii. Event to be held on June 26
 - iii. Location will be either Assiniboine Park or St. Vital Park
 - iv. JH will try to get promotional material for giveaways.
 - d. 50yr Pins
 - i. We would like to hold an event to honor 50yr members.
 - ii. Tentatively scheduled for early fall
 - iii. Could be combined with a Life Members event
 - e. Welcome to GOLD Event
 - i. Held last Thursday
 - 1. Capstone Awards presented
 - 2. Linux Tutorial
 - 3. Networking at Triple B's after the event
 - ii. 38 attendees, and the event cost was \$400
 - iii. MOTION: for IEEE Winnipeg Section to provide \$300 to cover the costs of the Welcome to GOLD Event (KM/DS) – Carried.
 - f. Robotics Chapter
 - i. WK recommended the Distinguished Lecturer program as a high quality speaker can be brought in for very little cost
 - ii. Reports still need to be backfilled and chapter paperwork submitted.

ADJOURNED at 18:49