

IEEE Winnipeg Section Virtual Meeting Minutes – November 18, 2020

Virtual Meeting (Zoom) 5:30 PM CDT

Attendance: Dean Weiten (DW), Phil Ferguson (PF), Naeimeh Najafizadeh (NN), Ian Jeffery (IJ), Hannah Fogel (HF), Mario Phaneuf (MP), Adam Brown (AB), Marzieh (M), Jolene Kozak (JK), Aislinn Livingston (AL), Christopher Henry (CH), Dustin Isleifson (DI)

Regrets: Witold Kinsner

CALLED TO ORDER at 17:34

1. **Approval of the agenda (IJ/AB) with additions by DW, carried**
2. **Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting (AB/HF), carried with one amendment:**
 - a. Hannah Fogel was in attendance, not Rashmi, who was in attendance in August.
 - b. Amended minutes shall be circulated and posted.
3. Chair Report (DW)
 - a. EF Glass Endowment Fund
 - b. Motion to add Adam Brown to Secretary (PF/IJ), carried.**
 - c. Motion to add Jolene Kozak to Chair of YP (PF/IJ), carried.**
4. Vice Chair Report (PF)
 - a. Renewing graduate course with Magellan
5. Treasurer Report (MP)
 - a. Got cheques
 - b. Balance \$145,000.00
6. Secretary Report (Adam Brown)
 - a. Making list of executive, when receive, please verify your information.
7. IEEE Vice-President of Education Update (Witold Kinsner not present)
 - a. No report.
8. IEEE Canadian Foundation Report (Dave Kemp not present)
 - a. No report.
9. Membership Development Update (NN)
 - a. No Report.
10. Chapter and Affinity Group Reports
 - a. Communications (Dr. Pradeepa Yahampath not in attendance)
 - i. No Report
 - b. Computer and Computational Intelligence (Dr. Chris Henry, also reporting – Dr. Ian Jeffrey)
 - i. IEEE Extreme
 - ii. Needs help getting another seminar
 - c. EMBS (VACANT)
 - d. PES (Dr. Yi Zhang not in attendance)
 - i. No Report
 - e. Waves (Dr. Puyan Mojabi not in attendance)
 - i. No Report
 - f. RobConIM (Dr. Nariman Sepehri not in attendance)
 - i. No Report
 - g. GRSS-AESS (Dr. Dustin Isleifson)
 - i. Nothing to Report
 - ii. Contact Phil if you are interested in space balloon testing

- h. YP (Jolene Kozak)
 - i. Jolene has taken over as chair for YP
 - i. Life Members (Dave Kemp not in attendance)
 - i. No report
 - j. WIE (Hannah Fogel)
 - i. Machine Learning Presentation
 - I. Laivly – maybe they could help with IEEE CCI
 - II. Skip the dishes
 - III. 24-7 inTouch
 - ii. Mindfulness Workshop
 - k. TISP (Dr. Witold Kinsner not present)
 - i. No update.
 - l. Newsletter (VACANT)
 - i. DW: It's too bad that we don't have this, it would be good. Can anyone volunteer or know someone who would volunteer to do this?
 - m. Webmaster (Kevin Brown not present)
 - i. No updates
- 11. Reports from student branches**
- a. University of Manitoba (Aislinn Livingston)
 - i. Workshop on programming practices had 15 people
 - ii. Planning workshop on STM32
 - b. Lakehead University (Jake Parr not in attendance)
 - i. No report
 - c. Assiniboine College (Andrew Russell not in attendance)
 - i. No Report
 - d. Red River College (Stephany Thach not in attendance)
 - i. No update
 - e. IAS Student Branch (Sara Mantach not in attendance)
 - i. No update
- 12. New business**
- a. Still working on the budget
 - b. EF Glass Award
 - i. Motion to fund EF Glass Award Endowment with \$2000 from Winnipeg Section (WK/PF), carried*
 - c. Drone Facility
 - i. Hoping for Western Economic Diversification funding
 - ii. Philip Ferguson will be seeking investment of about \$2.7M
 - I. Would IEEE invest? Discussion. Not looking for firm commitment at this time.
 - d. AGM
 - i. Discussion of timing of AGM. Decided to hold Winnipeg Section AGM in April 2021
 - e. Next meeting December 16th, 2020

ADJOURNED (AB/IJ) at 18:48