

Albuquerque Section IEEE Meeting

- Time and Date: 11:30AM, Tuesday November 27th, 2018
- Meeting Place: Gianni's Mediterranean Restaurant & OPA,
3109 Central Avenue Southeast, 87106
- Members in Attendance (9):
 - Jason Neely – Chair
 - Harjit Ahluwalia – Sigma Xi,
Life Member Vice Chair
 - Lee Rashkin – Secretary
 - George Oltmann – Life
Member
 - Gilberto Zamora – Treasurer
 - Hy Tran – Member
 - Mike Jackovich – Member
 - Khandakar Nusrat Islam -
Member
 - Jane Lehr - Member
- Lee –Secretary
 - Minutes were reviewed, amended and then accepted
 - Outstanding Action Items were discussed
- Discussion
 - Student branch formation:
 - Gilberto has contact info at New Mexico State University (NMSU) and Navajo Technical University (NTU)
 - Some emails with NMSU – interest is questionable
 - Jane has some contacts with NTU and Southwest Indian Polytechnic Institute (SIPI)
 - Treasurer Report - Gilberto
 - October ending balance was discussed
 - November current balance was discussed
 - Pending expenses
 - Check to NMT for Rising Stars
 - Check to UNM for Solar Splash
 - No outstanding funding requests
 - Should we reach out to NMSU, NTU, and SIPI for funding requests?
 - Teaching in Service programs or other projects at the \$50 to \$100 level to break the ice for larger efforts
 - Jane: NMSU should be higher priority as the others are associate programs
 - NMT – does get support from university from student services part of tuition
 - Yearly accounting on track to be in the black
 - Annual budget from IEEE is based on membership
 - Account balance due to fund raising by Harjit
 - Considered a safety net
 - Try not to dip into this account

- STEM – Hy
 - Met with CNM computer chair and mentioned forming professional societies to help with ABET accreditation
 - Solar Splash presentation to senior members of professional societies
 - Future funding requests:
 - New Mexico Partnership for Math and Science Education
 - Meeting next month
 - Will probably ask for matching funds
 - Court ruling that education is not equitable for Native population
 - Status of STEM Symposium unknown due to change in Governor
 - New K-12 Computer Science standards are coming
 - December 6 last day of public comments
- WEEF-GEDC
 - Conference went well
 - Offered free booth by organizers
 - Handed to Solar Splash
 - Was well manned by students
 - Papers still need to be uploaded to IEEE/IEEEExplorer
- Young Professionals – PACE request put into IEEE
- Signal Processing – Jason for Amir
 - Still working on reporting and meeting with members
- UNM
 - Jane now HKN branch advisor – trying to separate the two groups
 - Nusrat interested in reforming the Women in Engineering group
 - Has experience
 - Section can make an appointment for 2 years
 - Can also make her and interim chair so that she can start working on the paperwork
 - May need as many as 12 signatures
 - Members don't have to be women
- Awards Banquet – Harjit
 - Speaker will be the new UNM president
 - Venue and most of menu are set
 - We should look to get the nomination process started earlier
 - Try and cast a wider net among other disciplines
 - Might clash with finals schedule again
 - Set from May 13th
 - If we can announce it earlier, we might have more winners stay in town for the ceremony
 - Nominations start March 1st

- Announcements first week in April
 - Will 123SignUp be used again?
- Sigma Xi – Harjit
 - First talk next semester in February
 - February 21
 - Talk: Electromagnetic Sensing and Treatment of Living Things: Using Microwaves to Detect and Treat Disease in Humans and Trees
 - Speaker: Carey Rappaport, Northeastern University
 - Last talk on the science of whiskey was well received
- Life Members – George
 - Has list of meetings
 - Compiling reports for IEEE
- Collected \$35 on bill