Minutes of the AGM of IEEE India Council held on 14th Dec. 2013 at IIT Bombay

The Annual General Body Meeting of IEEE India Council was held on 14th Dec. 2013 at 1630 hrs during INDICON 2013 at IIT Bombay.

The following points were discussed and decisions arrived at:

1. **Condolence To Late K. H. Kalayanasundaram, A Long Time Member Of Ieee**

   As a mark of respect to Late H. Kalayanasundaram (HK), a longtime member of IEEE who passed away on 5 Dec 13 at the age of 92 years “One minute silence” was observed by the members
present. Mr. Anthony Lobo and Dr. M. Ponnavaikko, recalled the good services rendered by Late HK for the development of IEEE in India especially to the student community.

2. **Welcome Address By The Chair**

Dr. M. Ponnavaikko welcomed the members and briefed about the activities of IC IEEE during the year 2013.

INDICON 2013 the flagship event of IC IEEE, is very successfully being organized by the Bombay Section at IIT Mumbai from 13 Dec to 15 Dec 13. The conference has set many bench marks due to the collective teamwork of Mumbai Section under the leadership of Mr.Ashok Jagatia, Chair Mumbai Section and the dedicated member volunteers. The conference was held in Association with IIT Mumbai where the arrangements were of Excellent standard. The Conference Chairs, Technical Committee Chairs and all the members who had put in their hard work were thanked.

IC IEEE Chair appreciated the other activities conducted during the year 2013 like, All India Student Congress conducted at Amirtha Institute of Technology from 3 to 5 Oct 13 at Coimbatore coordinated by Madras Section, M.V. Chauhan – Student Paper Contest 2013 organized very successfully by Dr. Preeti Bajaj VC SAC IC.

IEEE IC Chair appreciated the number of EC meetings held, especially the F2F meeting (four in total) which enabled the EC to take decisions on important issues like signing of the agreements with IEEE India operation, Bangalore by the sections for smooth functioning and bringing more closer understanding among the EC member for collective co-operation in nurturing the IEEE activities in India.

3. **Approval Of The Minutes Of The Agm Held On 8 Dec 2012 At Kochi**

Major Chandrasekharan IC Secretary read the minutes of AGM of IEEE India Council held on 8th Dec. 2012 which had been circulated to the members by email. The Chair of IEEE IC for THE YEAR 2012 had proposed to amend the Bylaws for including all the EC members of India in R10 and IEEE MGA Committee as Ex-officio members in India Council Executive Committee which was approved by the AGM, which remains as an open ended issue. It was observed by the
members this aspect has to be resolved at R10 and MGA levels. India Council can only pass on this resolution to the IEEE Head quarters for a solution. With this observation the minutes of AGM held on 8 Dec 2012 at Kochi was approved by the members present and passed.

4. Reports By The IC Secretary on the Activities of IC EC During The Year 2013
The report by the Secretary, posted already in IC website was read by the IEEE IC Secretary Major Chandrasekharan V.V (Retd). Members suggested the following amendment to the report
(a) To include section chairs of India as the Ex officio members of IC.
(b) Indicate that 9 sections out of 11 sections had signed the agreement instead of mentioning “Maximum number of section”
(c) Against Para 4 Vice Chairs Of IC – 2013, it was mentioned as “All the Vice Chairs of IC – 2013 had come forward to contribute for the growth of IEEE India Council activities during the year 2013.” The members observed that the report submitted by the committee constituted for this purpose and action taken should be reported. The Chair IC accepted and informed the Members that this will be suitably amended and reported.
(d) In item 7 on IEEE India Council News Letter, the correct IC web site address was not given It was regretted for the mistake and the Members were informed that the correct IC web site address will be incorporated in the secretary report for 2013. With these observations the report was approved unanimously (a copy of the amended report is attached).

5. Report on All India Student Congress And M V Chauhan’s Paper Contest
This was included in the Secretary report. The members appreciated the good work done by the SAC VC IC.

6. Accounts for the Year 2013
A copy of the Income/Expenditure was circulated (upto 14/12/2013) and the same was approved and adopted unanimously.

INDICON 2014 will be organized by Pune Section as already decided in the last AGM. The proposal for conducting INDICON 2015 will be confirmed by the Delhi Section within fifteen days by email and incase if the Delhi Section is not in a position to conduct the event, proposals from other sections will be invited and decision taken in the next EC meeting.
8. **Slate for EC of India Council For The Year 2014**

Secretary read out the slate for the year 2014 – IC EC as submitted by the Nomination Committee Chair. The proposed slate will be put up in the Website inviting petitions, if any.

The Members suggested that in addition to the Member representatives in the EC, all the 11 Chairs of the Sections should be included in the EC as Ex-officio members. The members also suggested that a coordinator for WIE and one other coordinator for GOLD should be included in the EC. The Chair IC proposed that two of the members of the IC EC will be assigned with these responsibilities and it was accepted.

9. **Report on Membership Development By The Vice Chair, Membership Development**

The VC, Membership Development presented the Membership status as on 30\(^{th}\) Nov 2013 in India. He appealed to the Section Chairs to motivate the IEEE volunteers to motivate Membership Development in their sections.

10. **Any Other Matter with the Permission of the Chair**

It was put across by the members present that we must make use of e-notice facility to inform the members, one month in advance about the AGM, Nomination Committees’ report etc so that the laid down procedure will be followed.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by the Chair. Members thanked the outgoing Secretary and IC News letter Editor Mr.H.R.Mohan for their good work done during 2013.