

Rochester Section Executive Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday, June 12, 2018

Time: 12:00 PM

Place: Tandoor of India, 376 Jefferson Rd, Rochester, NY 14623

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 12:01 pm. Quorum was established at the start of the meeting with 14 of 21 ExCom Officers.

I. Section Officer Reports

A. Section Chair Report: Ram Dhurjaty

- No meeting for July.
- Summer picnic in Corning, likely 3rd or 4th Saturday of August. Greg should have pricing and timing information by end of week.

B. Section Vice-Chair Report: Cristian Linte

- JCM 2019 will be either last week of March or 1st week of April. Final reservation will be made within the next month. Keynote speaker has already been identified. Would like to feature chapters that have not had speakers in the past year.
- JCM 2018 cost ~\$2500.

C. Section Treasurer Report: Bill Fowlkes

- IEEE Rebate has been processed.
 - ~\$7500

D. Section Secretary Report: Eric Brown

- Motion to approve April minutes: Passed (1 abstention)
- Motion to approve May minutes: Passed (unanimous)
- Reminder to initial the sign in sheet and pay.
- Reminder to e-mail monthly updates

II. Chapter Society and Group Reports

A. Aerospace and Electronic Systems Society and Communications Society (AES10/COMM19): Cristiano Tapparello

- No update

B. Computer Society and Computational Intelligence Society (C16/CIS11): Bo Yuan

- No Update

C. Electron Devices and Circuits and Systems: Sean Rommel, Karl Hirschman, Rob Pearson

- No Update

D. Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society (EMB18): Cristian Linte

- Past:
 - Attended IEEE meeting in Italy.
- Upcoming
 - EMBS meeting in Honolulu (18-23)
 - CARS Conference in Berlin.

E. Geoscience and Remote Sensing Society (GRS29): Emmett Ientilucci

- Past:
- Upcoming
 - Working on international standards for remote sensing

- July – International Geosciences meeting in Valencia, Spain
- September speaker in the works.

F. Life Members Group: Mark Schrader

- Upcoming:
 - Looking to have speakers from Rochester ARCHIVE present on imaging work being done in Rochester to archive and read ancient texts.

G. Microwave Theory & Techniques Society / Antennas & Propagation Society

(MTT17/AP03): Joseph Majkowski

- No Update

H. Photonics Society (PHO36): Bruce Smith, Parsian Mohseni

- No Update

I. Power Engineering Society / Industry Applications Society (PE31/IA34): Jean Kendrick

- No Update

J. Signal Processing Society (SP01): Ray Ptucha

- Past:
 - Signal Processing Society has been recertified by IEEE for the next 5 years.
- Upcoming:
 - *June 27-29 @ RIT* \$1200, but IEEE members get a 25% discount. 20 PDH credits for PE's.
 - *Oct 5 – Image Signal Processing Workshop*. Accepted papers are published in IEEE Open Access.

K. Technology and Engineering Management Society (TEM14): Paul Lee

- Past Events/Activities:
 - *May 7th* – had a talk by Vince Socci on autonomous vehicle testing. Now director for National Instruments vehicle testing division.
- Upcoming:
 - Working on 2nd meeting for the fall.

L. Young Professionals: Eric Brown

- Updates:
 - Created a Rochester IEEE Young Professionals Facebook and Twitter account to advertise events and activities outside of the vTools bubble.
- Upcoming:
 - June 21st @ Genesee Brew House: RYP Summer Solstice Social, 5:30-8:30pm
 - June 21st @ Frontier Field: RYP Red Wings Night “Dual of the Dishes”, 7 – 10pm.
 - June 22nd @ Seneca Park Zoo: ZooBrew, 5:30-9pm – Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 at gate. Ticket includes zoo admission, live music, and networking. Beer, wine, and food are available for purchase. Informal joint event with Harris Young Professionals.
 - Still pursuing a networking event with Aerotek recruiter.
 - Looking to establish relationship with other company Young Professionals groups, like Harris YP's.

III. Student Chapter Reports

A. Rochester Institute of Technology: Gill Tsouri

- No report

B. University of Rochester: Tom Howard

- No report

IV. Committee Reports

A. Membership Report: Howard Bussey

- No Report

B. Awards Report: Jean Kendrick

- No Report

C. Electronic Communications Coordinator: Greg Gdowski

- Membership communications portal (SAMI) is in the process of being replaced and updated.

D. Newsletter Report: Howard Bussey

- Newsletter went out. Reports due **before** the 10th. HBussey@ieee.org
 - No RES newsletter for July.
- New privacy policy is in effect. We will need e-mail release for ExCom members listed in the newsletter.

E. PACE Report: Alex Loui, Bruce Rubin

- Past:
 - Had a very good presentation from Vince Socci. ~25 attendees.

V. Liaison Reports

A. Rochester Engineering Society (RES) Report: Harold Paschal

- Past:
 - Annual meeting was held at end of May. New president elected, Joe, and new 1st Vice President: Greg Gdowski.

B. Rochester Council of Scientific Societies (RCSS) Report: William A. Brewer

- Update:
 - There was a meeting! Terra Science and Engineering Fair presented a reflection on past activities from the teachers involved. Terra Foundation runs [regional science fairs](#) and national science competitions. Next year will be held at SUNY Geneseo.
 - Received update on E3 fair, which Terra Foundation may join in.
- Upcoming:
 - Will be on summer hiatus until September.

VI. Old Business

A. Discussion of ExCom Meeting options

- There are 2 primary reasons a change in the ExCom Meetings is desirable:
 - 1) Increase participation of individuals that cannot attend a 1+ hour lunch meeting
 - 2) Reduce ExCom Meeting expenses: During FY2018 budget discussion, most proposed budget reductions were not accepted, and we continue to draw from savings to fund social activities, student scholarships, and other activities not covered by the IEEE rebate (~\$7,500 for 2018). One potential cost savings is to reduce the ExCom Meeting expenses by either reducing the subsidy for lunch or reducing the cost of lunch.
- Meeting options discussed
 - 1) Hold monthly teleconference ExCom meetings, with every 3rd meeting as an in-person meeting at a restaurant.
 - This suggestion was generally poorly received with most discussion focused on the value of the in-person discussions and planning that happens during and after the ExCom meeting.
 - 2) Reduce subsidy of lunch meetings at a restaurant and add teleconference.
 - Currently Members pay \$5, and students pay \$3. At current attendance levels, Section subsidizes ~\$200 per month toward the cost of lunch (this annual expense is more than 25% of IEEE rebate).
 - Previous research by Paul Lee into alternative restaurant venues showed that Tandoor of India provided best combination of food quality, meeting room space, and accessible parking for the price of any other locations.
 - Primary challenge with Tandoor of India is the lack of built-in teleconferencing equipment/WiFi access.
 - 3) Catered Lunch meeting @ RIT with teleconferencing.
 - RIT meeting rooms have connection and equipment for teleconferencing.
 - Parking can be pre-arranged for IEEE members not at RIT.
 - Costs for ordering in pizza/subs would be less than current subsidy of ExCom meetings at restaurant.
- Motion made and carried to hold August ExCom meeting at RIT with teleconference and have pizza and soda for attendees.

VII. New Business

VIII. Open Discussion

IX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Christian Linte, 2nd by Eric Brown.

X. Attendance

Dhurjaty, Ram	Das, Madirakshi
Linte, Cristian	Hochgaf, Clark
Brown, Eric	Krispinsky, David
Fowlkes, William	Leisner, Martin
Gdowski, Greg T.	Palumbo, Anthony
Ptucha, Ray	Scheerens, Larry
Majkowski, Joe	Stubler, Peter
Ientilucci, Emmett	Tague, Lyle
Schrader, Mark	Vivino, Mark
Lee, Paul	Byron, Will
Bussey, Howard	Guido, James
Loui, Alex	Yashar Seyed Vahedein
Brewer, William	Uregena, Adriano
Paschal, Harold	