

**Minutes of 3rd Meeting**  
**IEEE Power Engineering Chapter 2008 Committee, Singapore**

Date: Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2008  
Time: 6.30 PM  
Venue: Ngee Ann Polytechnic Alumni Centre

Present:

Dr. Dipti Srinivasan (DS) – Chairperson  
Dr. M.H. Haque (MHH) – Deputy Chairman  
Mr. Tan Teck Lee (TTL) – Secretary  
Dr Chen Shiun (CS) – Member  
Mr. Seow Kang Seng (SKS)– Member  
Dr Panida Jirutitijaroen (PJ) – Member  
Mr Teh Gek Huat (TGH) – Member  
Mr Kwan Kian Hoong (KKH) - Member

Absent with Apologies:

Dr Rajnish Gupta (RG)  
Ms Quek Swee Xian (QSX)

No.	Items	Action By
<b>1</b>	<b>Confirmation of Minutes of Second Meeting</b>	
	The minutes of the second meeting held on 29 Apr 08 was confirmed without amendments.	Info
<b>2</b>	<b>Matters Arising from Last Minutes</b>	
2.1	Shaun Wu from Energy Carta made a 15-minute presentation on various sponsorship packages for “Asian Youth Energy Summit 2008 - Opportunities and Challenges in Clean Energy and Energy Efficiency in Asia Pacific” conference to be held from 30 Oct 08 to 31 Oct 08.	Info
2.2	The committee had decided to shelve the short course for local speakers to conduct using PES teaching materials as it was deemed not suitable.	Info
2.3	CS reported that the technical talk by Prof. Olav Bjarte Fosso from Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Norway, attracted 53 participants when it was held at NUS on 14 May 08. Title of the talk “Development of Renewable Energy Sources in the Nordic Electricity Market”.	Info
2.4	CS reported that Mr Pang Teng Seng and Mr Kwan Kian Hoong, conference grant recipients, presented at a seminar on 25 June 08.	Info
2.5	TGH reported that the committee members’ dinner was held on 30 May 08. Family members joined in the dinner and all had a wonderful experience on the Singapore Flyer after the dinner. Chairperson thanked TGH for the excellent arrangements for committee members and families to have a great time together.	Info

- 2.6 CS reported that the joint social activity “Develop your potential in golf” with CAS Chapter was held on 2 August 08 at Arena Country Club. It was a half-day event and attracted 22 members and 45 guests. Info
- 2.7 PJ reported that the planned event on 9 May 08 for Women in Engineering did not take place. The event was cancelled as only five women expressed interest to participate. Info
- 2.8 The committee discussed on the community service projects talked about in the last meeting. Members agreed that it would be better to organize it jointly with other chapters. Info
- 3 Chairperson’s Report**
- 3.1 Chairperson updated that all IEEE members (with a maximum of four guests) are able to visit Science Centre free-of-charge. Members need to send an e-mail to the Section Secretariat two weeks before the visit and bring their membership card during the visit. Admission was limited to 20 persons per day and allocation would be on a first-come-first-served basis. An administration fee of S\$5.00 per person would be charged to the member for any “no-show” after the booking was confirmed. Info
- 3.2 Chairperson informed that Power Chapter was a strategic partner of the inaugural “International Energy Week” organized by the Energy Market Authority to be held in the first week of November 08. Info
- 4 Technical Activities**
- 4.1 CS reported that the technical talk by Dr Saifur Rahman and Mr Henry Gan on “Alternate Energy Technologies: A Response to Increasing Electric Power Needs” and “Overview and update on NEMS” was held on 27 June 08 and 7 July 08 respectively. Info
- 4.2 Chairperson reported that the proposed technical talk by Prof Liew Ah Choy on “Premature failures of Cast-Resin Dry Type Transformers and Motors in Singapore” was being arranged. CS  
MHH  
PJ
- 4.3 CS reported that two DLP lectures were arranged this year. The first DLP on “Power System Restoration” would be presented by Mr Mike Adibi on 15 Oct 08. It would be a one-day tutorial at the Grand Copthorne Hotel. The second DLP on “The Evolution of Control and Control Centres for the Smart Transmission Grid” would be presented by Dr Anjan Bose on 19 Nov 08. The technical committee was making the necessary arrangements. CS encouraged members to promote the DLP. All
- 4.4 Two conference grant recipients had not conducted technical talk as required in the conditions for their grant. The technical committee was looking into organising a seminar for the two speakers. CS  
MHH  
PJ

## **5 Social Activities**

- 5.1 TGH informed that the annual dinner for committee dinner was tentatively scheduled on 21 Nov 08. He suggested that committee members propose venues for consideration. All

## **6 Awards**

- 6.1 Chairperson informed that the deadline for the Section “Outstanding Chapter Award” and “Outstanding Volunteer Award” was extended to 29 August 08. Chairperson reported that winners in the last three years were not allowed to participate. Power Chapter could not participate having won the first place in 2006. Chairperson encouraged members to send in nomination for the “Outstanding Volunteer Award”. All
- 6.2 Chairperson informed that she would broadcast the “Call for Nomination” for “Outstanding Engineer Award”. The committee discussed on the closing date and agreed on 15 September 08 to allow time for delivery of the plaque from PES HQ. Info

## **7 Membership Matters**

- 7.1 Members discussed on the presentation by Shaun Wu and agreed to sponsor \$3500 for the Asian Youth Energy Summit 2008 - Opportunities and Challenges in Clean Energy and Energy Efficiency in Asia Pacific” conference. Info
- 7.2 Chairperson reported that the “National Solar Sprint Competition 2008” was held on 3 June 08 at Singapore Polytechnic and attracted 246 participants. Info

## **8 Web Matters**

- KKH encourage committee members to take photos during events using their mobile phones and send to him for upload to the chapter website. All

## **9 GOLD Program**

- Chairperson encouraged members to suggest activities for the GOLD program. All

- 10 Student Liaison** DS  
MHH
- 10.1 PJ informed that a “Graduate Student Workshop” was planned on 24 September 08. The objective of the workshop was for graduate students to talk about their research. It would be a one-day event co-organised with Industrial Applications/Power Electronics Chapter. Speakers from the industry would be invited to talk during the workshop and student would present their papers in poster sessions.
- 11 Women in Engineering**
- Chairperson informed members to encourage their women colleagues to participate in Power Chapter activities. All
- 12 Treasurer’s Report**
- Chairperson reported that the account balance was \$243,196.91 based on the account statement up to 31<sup>st</sup> June 08. Info
- 13 AOB**
- 13.1 CS informed that the Power Chapter was founded on 27 August 1984 and handed the plaque that commemorated the formation to Chairperson. Info
- 13.2 CS suggested that members plan for Power Chapter’s 25 Anniversary Celebration next year. Suggestions includes: All
- Grand Annual Dinner
  - Special Technical Seminar
  - Special Tea Reception
  - Recognition for members with more than 10 years of membership

The committee would explore ideas and discuss in the next meeting.

There being no other matters, the meeting ended at 8.55 pm.

Recorded By: Mr Tan Teck Lee

Vetted By: Dr Dipti Srinivasan