

## IEEE Winnipeg Section Virtual Meeting Minutes – January 20, 2021

Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

### Attendance:

Dean Weiten (DW)	Jolene Kozak (JK)	Ian Jeffrey (IJ)	Naeimeh Najafi (NN)
Douglas Jones (DJ)	Puyan Mojabi (PM)	Yash Gupta (YG)	Dave Kemp (DK)
Phil Ferguson (PF)	Hannah Fogel (HF)	Mario Phaneuf (MP)	Dustin Isleifson (DI)
Sara Mantach (SM)			

### Regrets:

Adam Brown (AB)

### CALLED TO ORDER at 17:32

1. **Approval of the agenda (IJ/SM), carried.**
  - a. Jolene agreed to perform secretary duties at this meeting, in Adam's absence.
2. **Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting (IJ/PF), carried.**
3. Chair Report (DW)
  - a. Chair advises executive of result of motion by E-mail: **Moved by Ian Jeffrey, seconded by Adam Brown, that IEEE Winnipeg Section accept a reduced financial role in ANTEM 2021 from 50% to 25%, to allow URSI to also participate in a 25% financial role. Motion was approved 7 to 0 with 1 abstention, motion was carried.**
    - i. Unanimously accepted without dissent.
    - ii. Discussion: actual percentage may not be as stated (45%→22.5%/22.5% instead of 50%→25%/25%) but the intent should be preserved. Unanimously accepted without dissent.
  - b. IEEE Winnipeg Section report for Spring Board due. Send news that you would like in this report to Dean.
  - c. Welcome, Lakehead University Student Chapter representatives Yash Gupta and Douglas Jones!
4. Vice Chair Report (PF)
  - a. Nothing to report
5. Treasurer Report (MP)
  - a. Review of budgets for each chapter / affinity group / student chapter, and overall Winnipeg Section budget.
  - b. Rejecting items related to in person events due to COVID situation. When this changes, we shall re-evaluate.
  - c. If you have funding that requires matched funding from Winnipeg IEEE, let the Treasurer know.
  - d. **Moved that our intent is to carry over support for Waves Chapter to have distinguished lecturer from the previous year (2019-2020) to next year (2021-2022) (IJ/DK), carried.**
  - e. **Moved approval of IEEE Winnipeg Section Budget 2020-2021 @ bottom line cost \$2,150 (IJ/MP), carried.**
  - f. This budget was late, but important to complete; new budgeting for 2021-2022 shall commence soon.
  - g. Winnipeg IEEE Section received remittance from IEEE in 2021 of approx \$7,000, varies from year to year.
6. Secretary Report (Adam Brown not present)
  - a. Correction of Ian Jeffrey (Past Chair) name spelling in minutes of 2020-12-16.
7. IEEE Vice-President of Education Update (Witold Kinsner not present)
  - a. No report.
8. IEEE Canadian Foundation Report (Dave Kemp)
  - a. Nothing to report.
9. Membership Development Update (NN)
  - a. Attending IEEE development sessions.
  - b. 50% IEEE Student Dues Discount has resulted in an increase in membership renewals.
  - c. 50 memberships behind last year's numbers.
  - d. Still working on promotion of Senior Membership.
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. Nothing to report.
  - c. EMBS (VACANT)
  - d. PES (Dr. Yi Zhang not in attendance)
    - i. No Report
  - e. Waves (Dr. Puyan Mojabi)
    - i. April 28th Distinguished lecturer
    - ii. University of California distinguished lecturer to be scheduled.
    - iii. If anyone is looking to join Waves contact Dr. Puyan Mojabi.
  - f. RobConIM (Dr. Nariman Sepehri not in attendance)
    - i. No Report
  - g. GRSS-AESS (Dr. Dustin Isleifson)
    - i. Technical seminar scheduled for Jan 28th. Professor from Sheriff University of Technology will lecture on Fuzzy Control & Fuzzy Logic.
  - h. YP (Jolene Kozak)
    - i. Officer Elections occurring this week.
    - ii. Planning an Ask Me Anything (AMA) event in February with IEEE graduates from UofM
  - i. Life Members (Dave Kemp)
    - i. No active events
  - j. WIE (Hannah Fogel)
    - i. Meet and greet next week to recruit volunteers.
    - ii. LaTeX Workshop at the Beginning of February.
    - iii. March – speaker on imposter’s syndrome.
  - k. TISP (Dr. Witold Kinsner not present)
    - i. No update.
  - l. Newsletter (VACANT)
    - i. No report.
  - m. Webmaster (Kevin Brown not present)
    - i. No report.
- 11. Reports from student branches**
- a. University of Manitoba (Aislinn Livingston not present)
    - i. No report.
  - b. Lakehead University (Yash Gupta and Douglas Jones)
    - i. Discussion of budget, being submitted today.
      - I. Discussion – shall consider amendments to accommodate LHU budget items, at a later date.
    - ii. Planning Zoom movie nights soon.
  - c. Assiniboine College (Vacant)
    - i. Dean has reached out to the advisor, who still works at ACC.
  - d. Red River College (Stephany Thach not in attendance)
    - i. No Report
  - e. UofM IAS-PES Student Branch (Sara Mantach)
    - i. Nothing to report.
- 12. New business**
- a. No new business.
- 13. Next meeting February 17, 2021 at 17:30**

**ADJOURNED (DK/DI) at 18:48**