

IEEE NZCS Committee Meeting

Minutes: 31 March 2015 at 4:30pm via Skype

Present: Mansoor Terence
 Richard Sen Gupta
 Sudhir David
 Bing Duncan

1	Welcome (Mansoor Shafi)	
2	Apologies Ramesh Debraj Aaron	
3	Minutes of the last Committee Meeting • February 24, 2015	
4	Matters arising from Committee meetings (not covered elsewhere) • Joint bid for Tencon or similar conference (Donald) • Report on SDN for website (Mansoor) • Report on ICARA for website (Donald) • Report on IMS November workshop for website (Rainer) • Report on APG (leap seconds) for website (Mansoor)	Donald to follow up Mansoor to complete
5	Chair report (Mansoor Shafi) • Report on R10 meeting (Terence) Discussion on how to get growth in young professionals. We are not unique in our challenges for retaining students and industry members. Common theme is how to promote benefits of IEEE. Push to get YP to congress in Sri Lanka in July – try to get 1 person. R10 director wasn't so keen on the idea of a questionnaire because of poor response rate.	
6	Correspondence	
7	Finance Report (Ramesh Rayudu) • Current status Address still not changed, so he is not in a position to give a clear update. • Money for Comms chapter has arrived into the account. • Banking alternative possibilities Considering ANZ as an alternative. Suggestion to get	
8	Webmaster Report (Richard Harris)	Reminder to send notices etc to Richard for website.
9	Membership Report (Aaron Reid) • No report	
10	Awards (Duncan Hall)	
11	Industry Coordinators (Duncan Hall / Murray Milner) A lot of possibilities, but nothing confirmed at this stage • Mr David Havercroft CTO of Spark has expressed an interest to provide a seminar and might be suitable for a Joint Institutions Breakfast event, • Mr Scott Houston, ex founder and CEO of Big Green Button which was acquired by Microsoft last year is willing to share his experience of a technology acquisition and would also be a possible speaker for a Joint Institutions breakfast,	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IET WN Network and IPENZ WN Branch have both expressed interest in one or more Joint Institutions Breakfast events, IET WN Network is also pursuing a theme around Photovoltaic technology this year and is interested in doing this jointly with IEEE and IPENZ – I have a meeting next week to discuss what this might look like, Duncan and I are keen to run another industry panel event this year, but we need to find an improved approach to getting members to participate. Duncan has a potential speaker (Michael Waterman) in agile software development area. 	
12	Massey Student Branch (Debraj Basu) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AGM planned for this week 	
13	Victoria Student Branch (Henry Williams) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report 	
14	Young Professionals (Sudhir Singh) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting and students are keen to do something as well – looking at Victoria University because venue is free. Looking for a speaker in the area of professional development. Murray is available on 28 April if necessary. Discussion on attending YP congress in Sri Lanka. General feeling was to support. Terence pointed out that we were expected to send someone (actual expectation is 3 but this is unrealistic). 	<p>Suggestions of speakers.</p> <p>Sudhir will register interest, and prepare a proposal for next meeting.</p>
15	Women in Engineering (Bing Xie) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not got approval to go to WIE conference Can apply to R10 for funding for WIE project. Section must cover up to 25%, Up to \$500 available for event. Two events proposed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Look at getting a couple of industry members to talk to students. Reach out to high school girls to promote women in Engineering. Trying to get info from IPENZ who have done something before. In contact with another new WIE person and will try to get them more involved. 	<p>Murray will provide contact to Bing in IPENZ</p>
16	Instrumentation and Measurement Society (Rainer Kunnemeyer)	
17	Communications Society (?) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A few people going from ICC in UK. 	
18	SP / IT Society (Terence Betlehem) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DL visit will be to Christchurch and Auckland, but not in Wellington Upcoming visit from Dr Koyama. 	
19	Power and Energy Society (Ramesh Rayudu)	
20	Computational Intelligence Society (Mengjie Zhang)	
21	Other Reports	
22	General Meetings (for noting) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 17 – Dr Koyama – Audio signal processing (SP/IT) June – Prof KC Tan (CI) 	<p>We need to plan some more events</p>
23	Conferences (for noting) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ICST – 8-10 December, 2015 in Auckland. (Technical sponsor) FPT – 8-10 December, 2015 in Queenstown (Technical sponsor) 	
24	Other Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
25	Next Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday 28 April, 4:30 PM 	