

IEEE

AKRON/CANTON SECTION MEETING MINUTES January 2011

Date January 18, 2011
Place Waterloo Restaurant, Akron, Ohio

Present	Buchanan, Rick	r.buchanan@ieee.org
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	Voss, Rob	rvoss@neo.rr.com

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Rob Voss, Vice Chair of the IEEE-A/C Chapter. Gary Lanier, Chair of IEEE-A/C, was out of town and Voss served as Acting Chair. The meeting was postponed from January 11, 2011, owing to inclement weather.

The first order of business concerned welcoming Shannon Pisarsky to the meeting. The board looks forward to her active participation in one of the positions on the board.

The second order of business concerned the minutes for the month of December 2010. Voss brought to the attention of Walter Pechenuk, the secretary, that the minutes as stood stated that the month of November instead of December at the top of the minutes. This was corrected.

The third order of business concerned the fact that Bob Osterhout, who had attended the December 2010 board meeting had yet to get back with the board in regard to expressing his interests in what he would like to do on the board.

The fourth order of business was confirmation of the fact that Brandon Beall, a student member of the IEEE-UA student chapter, had agreed the week before to maintain the IEEE-A/C website. Beall agreed to maintain the website for a fee of \$25.00 per month, except for the first month, during which he will be paid \$100.00 for bringing the site up-to-date. Rick Buchanan motioned that we accept the fees as remuneration for Beall's work, and Steve Harmath seconded it. All approved.

The fifth order of business concerned the treasurer's report. It was pointed out that the December social's expenses were greater than usual, because of the wine-tasting and special

hors-d'oeuvres. Buchanan also brought to the board's attention that a mistake had been made on the part of IEEE-A/C for the inscription on the plaque that had been presented to Dennis Ledel at the December social as an appreciation for his many years of service to IEEE-A/C. The cost of the correction was \$70.00. This brought the total cost for the plaque, including the initial inscription, to \$165.00. Further to this, it was reported that Ledel had balanced the books through the end of 2010. Also, Buchanan mentioned that IEEE-A/C had already made a contribution to CJEC (Canton Joint Engineering Council) in the amount of \$250.00 for CJEC's scholarship.

Harmath motioned that the board accept Ledel's last report, which included the expenditures given above, and Voss seconded it. All approved.

The sixth order of business concerned the Cisco meeting. The board decided it would be best to postpone the meeting to April or May owing to the often bad weather during the first two months of the year.

The seventh order of business concerned the IEEE L-50 financial report that must be presented to headquarters by February 18, 2011 in order for IEEE-A/C to receive a 10% bonus. Buchanan was working on this, along with the meeting reports, for submission by February 18.

The eighth order of business concerned the fact that IEEE-A/C is not required to provide any 1099s for the 2010 tax year owing to the fact that no scholarships presented in the 2010 calendar year exceeded \$600 in value.

The ninth order of business concerned the upcoming local science fairs that will take place on January 29 at North High School in Akron and the regional Western Reserve Science Fair on March 19 at the University of Akron. A decision was made by the board that prizes awarded to outstanding science projects presented at the two venues should not exceed \$500 at each fair. Buchanan motioned that the board accept the decision and Harmath seconded it. All approved.

The tenth order of business was to approve the minutes, as amended, from the December 2010 meeting. Voss moved that the minutes be approved, and Harmath seconded it. All approved.

The eleventh order of business was the student paper contest. Buchanan informed the board that Courtney Gras, president of IEEE-UA student chapter, had the contest well under control. The presentation date was changed from March 3 to March 1 owing to room availability for the presentation. The University of Akron will be handling catering for the occasion. Buchanan informed the board that the cost of the meal at the presentation of the student papers will be \$10 for members and university faculty, \$5 for students, and gratis for presenters. Buchanan motioned that the board accept the costs, and Harmath seconded it. All approved.

The twelfth order of business was notification that IEEE-A/C had six reservations for February's Canton Engineers Week banquet on February 18 at Skyland Pines in Canton and four for the Akron Engineers Week banquet on February 19 at Emidio and Sons Banquet Center in Cuyahoga Falls.

The thirteenth order of business was notification by Buchanan that the names of the elected IEEE-A/C officers for the 2011 administrative year had been submitted to headquarters.

The fourteenth order of business was a motion by Pechenuk at 7:23 pm for the board to recess until 6:00 pm, Tuesday, February 8 at the Waterloo Restaurant. Voss seconded the motion. All approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Pechenuk
January 27, 2011