



**IEEE AKRON/CANTON SECTION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
MAY 2012**

Date May 8, 2012
Place Waterloo Restaurant, Akron, Ohio

Present	Buchanan, Rick	r.buchanan@ieee.org
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The meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm by Gary Lanier, President of the Akron-Canton Section of IEEE.

The first order of business was introductions. As everyone present was acquainted with one another, introductions were considered covered.

The second order of business was approval of the minutes from the April board meeting of the section. Rob Voss motioned that the minutes be approved, and Bob Osterhout seconded the motion. The assembled board members concurred.

The third order of business was discussion of the treasurer's report. Rick Buchanan, Treasurer of the Akron-Canton IEEE Section, stated that the only income for April 2012 was from interest (\$6.69). The ACCESS joint meeting was the only major expense for the month. Other expenses included the regular ExCom meeting and reimbursement of the Region-2 SPAC meeting. The latter was made after the University of Akron IEEE students finally provided an address where to send the reimbursement check.

Voss pointed out that IEEE-A/C will have to provide some reimbursement for the IEEE-USA meeting in Cincinnati from May 3-5. Voss will submit an expense account to Buchanan, who will then e-mail the region-2 treasurer; the latter also said that he will credit a \$500 transfer to the IEEE-A/C account. I.E., IEEE-A/C pays incurred expenses to Voss, and then the section will get \$500.

Buchanan also said that the section still has still has outstanding checks from 2011 for \$25.00 and \$125 for this year. These checks were given as awards to science-fair participants. There

are also outstanding checks that were written for \$344 to the University of Akron IEEE SPAC and \$50 to the Western Reserve District Science Fair. The balance at the time of the meeting was \$16,015.08.

Walter Pechenuk moved that the treasurer's report be approved, and Buchanan seconded it. All approved.

The fourth order of business was discussion of the section's website. There was no report. Voss said that he would write up a short report on the IEEE-USA conference and then forward it to Shannon Whalen, the section's webmaster and head of the Computer Society chapter.

The fifth order of business concerned activities sponsored by the student chapter of IEEE at the University of Akron. There was no report.

The sixth order of business was the Power and Energy Society (PES). There was no report.

The seventh order of business was the section's Computer Society chapter. There was no report.

The eighth order of business was matters concerning the Industry Applications Society (IAS). There was no report to present.

The ninth order of business was the Professional Activities Committee for Engineers (PACE). Voss mentioned that PACE can give money to IAS, as well as to the section. Voss suggested that Congressman Jim Renacci be invited to one of the IEEE-A/C meetings. Voss also mentioned that the Cincinnati meeting had discussions on how to set up local PACE meetings.

Bob Osterhout, local PACE chair, mentioned that he is still planning for the fall, but there was nothing new to report at the moment.

The tenth order of business was membership. No report.

The eleventh order of business was the Akron Council of Engineering and Scientific Societies (ACESS). The next Board of Directors and Advisory Board Meeting is scheduled for May 17 at the Kent State University Student Center; Society Chairs will be giving presentations on their activities and expectations of ACESS. Each Society Chair is expected to give a short presentation on his/her own society/chapter and what it does. ACESS would like to see more interaction among the societies, which should help stimulate more STEM activities.

The twelfth order of business was the Canton Joint Engineering Council (CJEC). Buchanan informed the Executive Committee that the officers will be same as last year. The banquet for 2013 is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, February 20. The guest speaker will be either Ryan Dean or an undetermined speaker from Chesapeake Energy.

The thirteenth order of business was Engineers Week. There was no report. There will be no activity until the fall.

The board meeting recessed at 6:38 pm for dinner and resumed at 7:14 pm.

The fourteenth order of business was matters concerning the Nominating Committee. Voss said that he will check with Dennis Ledel, the former president of IEEE-A/C – Voss said that he will check with Ledel about the procedures that the Nominating Committee must follow. The Committee's work runs through the September meeting. An announcement will be put out on the web.

The fifteenth order of business was the section's "Meetings Schedule."

On Tuesday, May 15, 2012 ADSPE/CRSPE will present an address *An Engineer without Boundaries* at its installation dinner. The talk will be by Bruce Larcomb, P.E., P.S., FSFPE, President, OSPE.

IEEE-A/C is once again considering an Ohio Light Opera outing for July. The selected presentation will take place on July 29, a Sunday evening. The operetta is *Guys and Dolls*. Dinner at the Wooster Inn is included. Both events will be subsidized – \$20.00 per ticket for the show and about \$5.00 per meal. 24 tickets will be ordered immediately.

Schweitzer SCL in Wadsworth would like the IEEE-A/C section to hold a meeting there. Jim Murray will be the contact person. Schweitzer would like to have the meeting in September.

The ACCESS Picnic and Board Meeting will take place on August 5. Detailed information will be available on the ACCESS website.

Another possible industry visit is the Vacuum Electric Switch Company in Akron. The Executive Committee would like to see a meeting there in October if all parties agree to it.

In the Fall, IEEE-A/C will have a joint meeting with the Cleveland IEEE section.

The Stark State College of Technology robotics meeting will take place in the Fall – there is no definite date yet.

The IEEE meeting (July 22-27) in San Diego will be attended by Gary Lanier.

There are no plans for a June meeting – everything can be handled by e-mail.

The sixteenth order of business was "Old Business." There was no outstanding old business.

The seventeenth order of business was "New Business." Much of the previous discussion was "New Business."

The eighteenth order of business was adjournment. Buchanan motioned that the ExCom meeting be adjourned. Voss seconded it, and the board approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 until August 14, 2012 at 6:00 pm at the Waterloo Restaurant.

Respectfully submitted,

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Walter Pechenuk

May 31, 2012